

CHIPPEWA

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Organizational Meeting

Chippewa Jr/Sr High School Auditorium

Monday, January 12, 2026

5:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

I. OPENING

A. Call to Order by John Mertic, who was chosen president pro tem at the December 8, 2025 meeting, to preside through election of officers.

B. Moment of Silence :: Pledge of Allegiance

C. Swearing in of Kyle Schafrath, TJ DeAngelis, and Kay Kerr

D. Present: Dr. DeAngelis, Mrs. Fenn, Mrs. Kerr, Mr. Mertic, Mr. Schafrath

RESOLUTION 153-26

E. Appoint Dr. De Angelis, treasurer pro tem for the January 12, 2026 Organizational Meeting.

Motion to approve by 1st Dr. De Angelis, 2nd Mr. Schafrath

Roll call: Dr. DeAngelis yes, Mrs. Fenn yes, Mr. Mertic yes, Mr. Schafrath yes, Mrs. Kerr yes **CARRIED**

F. Nominations for President:

_____ Dr. De Angelis _____ by _____ Fenn _____

_____ by _____

_____ by _____

RESOLUTION 154-26

Motion to close nominations

Motion to approve by 1st Mrs. Fenn, 2nd Mrs. Kerr

Roll call: Dr. DeAngelis yes, Mrs. Fenn yes, Mr. Mertic yes, Mr. Schafrath yes, Mrs. Kerr yes **CARRIED**

Election:

DeAngelis voted for: _____

Fenn voted for: _____ Dr. D _____

Kerr voted for: _____ Dr. D _____

Mertic voted for: _____ Dr. D _____

Schafrath voted for: _____ Dr. D _____
President pro tem declares _____ Dr. D _____, the person with the
majority,
elected president.

G. Swearing in of President (elected President will preside over the remainder of the meeting.)

H. Nominations for Vice-President:

_____ Fenn _____ by _____ Mertic _____

_____ by _____

_____ by _____

RESOLUTION 155-26

Motion to close nominations

Motion to approve by 1st Mrs. Kerr, 2nd Mr. Schafrath

Roll call: Dr. DeAngelis yes, Mrs. Fenn yes, Mr. Mertic yes, Mr. Schafrath yes, Mrs. Kerr yes **CARRIED**

Election:

DeAngelis voted for: _____ Fenn _____

Fenn voted for: _____

Kerr voted for: _____ Fenn _____

Mertic voted for: _____ Fenn _____

Schafrath voted for: _____ Fenn _____

President _____ Dr. D _____ declares _____ Fenn _____ Vice-
President.

Swearing in of Vice President.

RESOLUTION 156-26

II. New Business

- A. Upon consideration to approve the purchase of a \$25,000 Performance Bond for the Superintendent and Treasurer.
- B. Upon consideration to appoint the Treasurer as the Public Records Officer.
- C. Upon consideration to approve the Superintendent as Purchasing Agent for the school district.
- D. Upon consideration to approve the authorization of the Treasurer to request tax advances on all tax collections for 2026.

- E. Upon consideration to approve the authorization of the Treasurer to invest in any active and interim monies in 2026 when taxes come in until needed.
- F. Upon consideration to approve the authorization to establish Service Fund (O.R.C. 3315.15) for the Board in the amount of \$2.00 per ADM.
- G. Upon consideration to approve the authorization of the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as bills are received and when merchandise has been received in good condition.
- H. Upon consideration to approve the authorization of the Treasurer to establish Petty Cash funds on an as-needed basis, up to \$4,000.00.
- I. Upon consideration to approve the authorization of the Treasurer to pay mileage at the IRS rate.
- J. Upon consideration to approve the resolution to dispense with reading of the minutes with distribution of written minutes to Board members five days prior to regular meeting (O.R.C. 3313.26).
- K. Upon consideration to approve the use of buses for extra and co-curricular activities.
- L. Upon consideration to appoint ___Mertic_____ as the Legislative Liaison to OSBA.
- M. Upon consideration to approve the board vice-president as Student Liaison to the OSBA.
- N. Upon consideration to approve the Treasurer's and Superintendent's attendance at professional meetings, as necessary, with expenses reimbursed.
- O. Upon consideration to approve the authorization of the Superintendent/Designee to attend Quarterly Tri-County ESC Business Advisory Council Meetings on dates/times/location as set by Tri-County ESC Business Advisory Council.
- P. Upon consideration to authorize the Superintendent, during periods when the Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of the Board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of the Board, subject to a subsequent vote of ratification by the Board; provided however, that upon ratification by the Board, the employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer. Nothing in this resolution shall require the Board of Education to employ or continue to employ an individual who has not provided a criminal records check satisfactory to the Board or who has not satisfied any other prerequisite to employment created by law or Board policy.
- Q. Upon consideration to approve Ken Gasser as representative to the Doylestown Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) committee.
- R. Upon consideration to approve TJ DeAngelis to be the representative to the Wayne County Schools Career Center School Board.
- S. Upon consideration to authorize the Superintendent to approve overnight school trips during periods that the Board is not in session (i.e. athletic tournaments, academic events, etc.)
- T. Upon consideration to appoint ___Mertic_____ to be the delegate to the 2026 OSBA Capital Conference.

Motion to approve by 1st Fenn, 2nd Mr. Mertic

Roll call: Dr. DeAngelis yes, Mrs. Fenn yes, Mr. Mertic yes, Mr. Schafrath yes, Mrs. Kerr yes **CARRIED**

N/A

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

- A. To consider one or more, as applicable, of the check marked items with respect to a public employee or official:
 1. Appointment
 2. Employment
 3. Dismissal
 4. Discipline
 5. Promotion
 6. Demotion
 7. Compensation
 8. Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested)
- B. To consider the purchase of property for the public purposes or for the sale of property at competitive bidding.
- C. Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.
- D. Preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment
- E. Matters to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes
- F. Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoiding prosecution for a violation of the law

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chippewa Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on _____ as listed above.

IV. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to approve by 1st Mrs. Fenn, 2nd Mr. Schafrath

Roll call: Dr. DeAngelis yes, Mrs. Fenn yes, Mr. Mertic yes, Mr. Schafrath yes, Mrs. Kerr yes **CARRIED**

Time: _____ 5:39PM _____

NOTE: The next Regular Meeting will be held on February 9, 2026 at the Jr/Sr High School Auditorium beginning at 6:00 p.m.

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APPROVED: 1-12-26 Organizational Meeting

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PRESIDENT

DATE: 02/10/2026

Ryan Per. Phet

TREASURER

DATE: 2-9-2026

Linda H. Fenn

TREASURER PRO TEMPORE

