



CHIPPEWA

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Chippewa Jr/Sr High School Auditorium
Monday, February 9, 2026
6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. OPENING

A. Call to Order :: Moment of Silence :: Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

Dr. DeAngelis Mrs. Fenn Mrs. Kerr Mr. Mertic Mr. Schafrath

C. Appoint _____, treasurer pro tempore, for the February 9, 2026 Regular Meeting. (ROLL CALL)

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
Dr. DeAngelis Mrs. Fenn Mrs. Kerr Mr. Mertic Mr. Schafrath

D. Motion to approve the minutes from the January 12 Organizational and Regular Meetings. (ROLL CALL)

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
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II. STUDENT RECOGNITION/STAFF RECOGNITION/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS (if necessary)

A. Needle Mover

B. Students of the Month

CIS

Grade 3: Emma Thayer and Liam Lloyd

Grade 4: Avery Richards and Landyn Keating

Grade 5: Sydney Closson and Clayton Harris

Grade 6: Emily Luecke and Oren Schreck

Hazel Harvey

Kindergarten: Abraham Gibson and Jaycee Hall

Grade 1: Kelsie Strauss and Ellie Starinshak

Grade 2: Nora Ulmer and Coraline McGill

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

All meetings of the Board and Board-appointed committees are open to the public. In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted at each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board shall give her/her full name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board present and voting.

Speakers are not permitted to address matters relating to individual students, personnel or other matters made confidential by law.

IV. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DONATIONS

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following donation(s):

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Donated To</u>
Cranston's Pub	Check	\$500	Student Lunch Accounts

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V. TREASURER'S UPDATES & ACTION ITEMS (ROLL CALL)

A. Treasurer's Comments

B. Action Items

1. Upon consideration to approve the January 2026 unaudited financial report (copy on file at the Doylestown Public Library)

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
Dr. DeAngelis Mrs. Fenn Mrs. Kerr Mr. Mertic Mr. Schafrath

2. Upon consideration to approve the Agreement for Deposit of Public Funds-Ohio between Huntington National Bank and Chippewa Local School District, 1/1/2026 through 12/31/2026. Exhibit 1

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
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3. Upon consideration to approve Rea & Associates, Inc. Engagement Services for verifying data reported on the Medicaid School Program Cost Report for 2025, 2026 and 2027. Exhibit 2

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4. Upon consideration to approve the updated Financial Forecast and Assumptions, as presented. Exhibit 3

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
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5. Upon consideration to approve payment to Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) for Property and Casualty insurance for the district covering the period of February 1, 2026 through July 1, 2027, in the amount of \$151,658.00 and payment to Travelers for Cyber insurance for the district covering the period of February 1, 2026 through February 1, 2027 in the amount of \$7,553.00. Exhibit 4

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VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES

- A. Building and department updates

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA (ROLL CALL)

- A. Upon consideration to approve the Tentative Agreement between the Chippewa Local School District Board of Education and the Chippewa Education Association (CEA). Exhibit 5

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- B. Upon consideration to approve the Tentative Agreement between the Chippewa Local School District Board of Education and the Ohio Association of Public School Employees, Chapter # 455 (OAPSE). Exhibit 6

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
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- C. Upon consideration to approve the purchase of two (2) used 2017 Bluebird school busses from Hillsdale Local School District in the amount of \$30,000.00.

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
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VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S CONSENT AGENDA (ROLL CALL)

NOTE: *Items under the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted under one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board votes unless a Board member requests an item be clarified or even removed from the agenda for a separate action.*

- A. Upon consideration to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2025-2026 school year.

Jenna Sheridan

Track & Field-Varsity Assistant Girls

7.25%

- B. Upon consideration to approve unpaid leave for Krista Gallagher on February 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 2026.
- C. Upon consideration to approve Bennett Utter, substitute teacher, at the substitute pay rate, for the 2025-2026 school year.
- D. Upon consideration to approve unpaid leave for Susan Leach on March 5, 2026.
- E. Upon consideration to approve .75/day unpaid leave for Brittany Schumaker on February 3, 2026.
- F. Upon consideration to approve the second reading of the 2026-2027 school calendar. Exhibit 7
- G. Upon consideration to approve school fees for 2026-2027:
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| K-11 | \$55.00 |
| 12 | \$80.00 |
- H. Upon consideration to approve the College Credit Plus Memorandum of Understanding between The University of Akron and Chippewa Local School District for the 2026-2027 school year. Exhibit 8
- I. Upon consideration to approve the College Credit Plus Memorandum of Understanding between Stark State College and Chippewa Local School District for the 2026-2027 school year. Exhibit 9
- J. Upon consideration to approve the district open enrollment policy for the 2026-2027 school year, Board Policy JECBB. Registration for new students begins April 1, 2026 and ends June 30, 2026.
- K. Upon consideration to approve Kim Bender, Bus/Van Substitute, per the substitute pay rate, for the 2025-2026 school year.
- L. Upon consideration to approve the resignation of Alexis Davidson, effective May 29, 2026.
- M. Upon consideration to approve the retirement of Doug Durbin, effective May 30, 2026.
- N. Upon consideration to approve the sale of the 1950 White Towmotor in the amount of \$1,200.00.
- O. Upon consideration to approve Meghan Mezzacapo, substitute teacher/long-term substitute teacher, at the substitute pay rate, for the 2025-2026 school year.
- P. Upon consideration to approve the Chippewa Board of Education to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of (1) 72/84 passenger bus and (1) 9 passenger van through OSC.
- Q. Upon consideration to approve the overnight trip to Washington DC for the senior class March 17-20, 2026.
- R. Upon consideration to approve the membership in the 2026-2027 Ohio High School Athletic Association.

WHEREAS, Chippewa Local Schools, District IRN number: 050534
of 56 N. Portage St., Wayne County, Ohio

Has satisfied all the requirements for membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association, a voluntary unincorporated association not-for-profit; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education/Governing Board("Board") and its Administration desire for the schools with one or more grades at the 7-12 grade level under their jurisdiction to be voluntary members of the OHSAA;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION/GOVERNING BOARD that all schools listed on the reverse side of this card do hereby voluntarily renew membership in the OHSAA and that in doing so, the Constitution, Bylaws, General/Sports-specific Regulations and Business Rules of the OHSAA are hereby adopted by this Board as and for its own minimum requirements as it pertains to, but not limited to, student-eligibility, coaching requirements, and administrative responsibility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board reserves the right to raise the minimum standards as it deems appropriate for the schools and students under its jurisdiction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the schools under this Board's jurisdiction agree to conduct their athletics programs in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, General/Sport-specific Regulations, Business Rules, interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA and cooperate fully and timely with the Executive Director's office of the OHSAA in all matters related to the interscholastic athletic programs of the schools. Furthermore, the schools under this Board's jurisdiction shall be the primary enforcers of the OHSAA Constitution, Bylaws, General/Sport-specific Regulations, Business Rules and the interpretations and rulings rendered by the Executive Director's office. The administrative heads of these schools understand that failure to discharge the duty of primary enforcement may result in fines, removal from tournaments, suspension from membership and/or other such penalties as prescribed in Bylaw 11.

- S. Upon consideration to approve the Jr/Sr High School School Course Selection Booklet for the 2026-2027 school year. Exhibit 10
- T. Upon consideration to approve the Service Agreement between Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) and Chippewa Local School District for Policy Services (Policy Resources and Support & Policy Hosting) from May 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Exhibit 11
- U. Upon consideration to approve March as Music in Our Schools Month

WHEREAS, for more than 40 years, March has been officially designated by the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) as Music in Our Schools Month® (MIOSM®), encouraging communities across the nation to focus on music education; and

WHEREAS, music education is a part of a well-rounded education for every student as outlined in the Every Student Succeeds Act; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the celebration is to raise awareness of the lasting positive impact of music education on the academic, personal and professional growth of our students; and

WHEREAS, music education shapes the way our students understand themselves and the world around them, allowing for a deep engagement with learning; and

WHEREAS, Music in Our Schools Month reminds us that school is where all children should have access to music; and

WHEREAS, music educators, students and communities throughout Ohio demonstrate the importance of quality music education programs to the lives of young people; and

WHEREAS, NAFME: The National Association for Music Education and the Ohio Music Education Association has designated March 2026 as Music in Our Schools Month, focusing on the theme, **“United Through Music”**, now,

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that The Board of Education of the Chippewa Local School District endorses the observance of Music in Our Schools Month as an opportunity to support the purposes and practices of music education and encourages teachers, parents, students, and all citizens to participate.

The Board of Education of the Chippewa Local School District, for its own part, rededicates itself to the maintenance of a music education program that will be relevant to the needs of the children placed in its care and will reach and positively influence each child.

V. Upon consideration to approve March as Youth Art Month

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month is designated to bring about a renewed recognition of the vital place of art education; and

WHEREAS, art education develops students’ creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities; teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities; and gives students a deeper understanding of multi-cultural values and beliefs;

WHEREAS, art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism and aesthetics;

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the Chippewa Local School District Board of Education to recognize art education in our schools as an essential part of the learning process and to encourage and support this significant art that is a powerful channel for the innermost feelings and responses of every child; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Art Education Association has designated March 2026 as Youth Art Month, focusing on the theme **“The World Needs Art”**; now,

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Board of Education of Chippewa Local School District endorses the observance of Youth Art Month as an opportunity to support the purposes and practices of art education and encourages teachers, parents, students, and all citizens to participate.

The Board of Education of Chippewa Local School District, for its own part, rededicates itself to the maintenance of a visual art education program that will be relevant to the needs of children placed in its care and will reach and positively influence each child.

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
Dr. DeAngelis Mrs. Fenn Mrs. Kerr Mr. Mertic Mr. Schafrath

IX. BOARD DISCUSSION

A.

X. NEW BUSINESS (ROLL CALL)

A.

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____
Dr. DeAngelis Mrs. Fenn Mrs. Kerr Mr. Mertic Mr. Schafrath

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (as needed) (ROLL CALL)

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. Conference 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 A2, B, E as listed above.

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____

Dr. DeAngelis Mrs. Fenn Mrs. Kerr Mr. Mertic Mr. Schafrath

Time: _____

XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN (ROLL CALL)

Motion by: _____ 2nd by: _____

Dr. DeAngelis Mrs. Fenn Mrs. Kerr Mr. Mertic Mr. Schafrath

Time: _____

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