

COOR ISD Board of Education Regular Meeting
September 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM
11051 N. Cut Rd, Roscommon, MI 48653



Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Board of Education (the “Board”) was held at 11051 N Cut Rd, Roscommon, MI, on Wednesday, September 10, 2025. President Mangutz called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM. **Present:** Alyssa Faulkner, Ian Faulkner, Jim Gendernalik, James Mangutz DDS, Nancy Persing. **Absent:** Anthony Bair, Kara Mularz.

1. Call to order & Roll Call

2. Opening Ceremonies

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Mission Statement, read by President Mangutz: The mission of C.O.O.R. ISD is to deliver expert services, impactful programs, and responsive leadership to our schools and communities.

3. Adopt the Agenda

Adopt the agenda as presented. This motion, made by Ian Faulkner and seconded by Nancy Persing, Carried (5-0, 2 absent)

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| 4. | -Career | & | Department | Education | Updates |
| | -Early | | Technical | | Department |
| | -Instructional | | Childhood | | Department |
| | -Special | | Services | | Department |
| | -R.O.O.C., | | Education | | Department |
| | -K12 ETA (Educational Technology Association) | | | | Inc. |

MAISA invited COOR staff to participate in a video miniseries on high-quality early childhood education featuring educators and parents across the state. The board appreciated that parents’ voices from Northern Michigan are being heard.

5. Public Participation

- Any person attending the meeting may raise his/her hand during this session of the meeting. Individuals may speak for a maximum of 5 minutes. Groups may speak for a maximum of 15 minutes.

Steve Xdon from the West Branch Optimist Club presented COOR Educational Center student artwork from the 2024-25 (first annual) Optimist Club Communications Contest that he had framed. It included the definition of optimism using the symbolized text to help students better understand the topic. A story about the contest at the special

education center was printed in the Optimist International Newsletter. Superintendent Petri plans to display this artwork in the COOR Educational Center, and the Optimist club plans to run a second contest this school year.

6. Consent Agenda

(A single member's request shall cause an item on the Consent Agenda to be relocated as an Action Item, eligible for discussion and vote that evening.)

Approve the Consent Agenda, tabling item 6G. This motion, made by Nancy Persing and seconded by Jim Gendernalik, Carried: Anthony Bair: Absent, Kara Mularz: Absent, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 2

6.A. Approve minutes of the previous meeting, August 13, 2025.

6.B. Approval of Bills for August 2025 totaling \$1,236,174.73

6.C. Accept the Revenue & Expenditure Reports and the MILAF statement for August 2025

6.D. Ratify contract with Michelle St. Aubin MS CCC-SLP as Fun First Therapy for Mio, Fairview and Mio/Fairview EO services in the 25-26 school year

6.E. Approve renewal contract with West Branch-Rose City Area Schools for rental of classroom space in Rose City for the Regional Resource Center Lending Library

6.F. Renew contracts with Early On Home Visitors Lillie Meadows and Amber Akin from Oct 1, 2025 to Sept 30, 2026

6.G. (tabled) Renew contracts for Early Childhood staff, Oct 1, 2025 through Sept 30, 2026: Katie King, Desiree Lipski, Melissa Maeder, Kym Narayana, Rebekah Seelow, Helen Shastal, Tracey Stein, Christina Tappan, Tammy Tyler, and Katie Vanwormer-Waldie

7. Action Items

7.A. *Approve amended Policies as provided by Thrun Law Firm and reviewed by the Policy Committee* - Policies: 5104, 5202, 5401, 5405, 5406, 5411, 5407, 5420, 5421, 5603, 5701, 5707, and 5712. Forms: 3118 F-12, 3118 F-13, 4104 AG, 4104 F-1, 4104 F-2, 5416-F, 5602 F-3, 5602 F-6, 5603 F12, 5603 F-13, 5603 F-16

This motion, made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Ian Faulkner, Carried.
Anthony Bair: Absent, Kara Mularz: Absent, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes
Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 2

7.B. *Approve contracts through Edustaff for Samantha Hamilton (a virtual school social worker for Charlton Heston and Roscommon) and Hanna Kim (virtual speech therapy services for Houghton Lake.)* Note: Edustaff will allow us to void the contract should we find an in-person therapist to hire.

This motion, made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Alyssa Faulkner, Carried:
Anthony Bair: Absent, Kara Mularz: Absent, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes
Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 2

7.C. *Approve the hiring of Michelle Perri, School Social Worker for Crawford AuSable School District as a member of the CEA, MA+30, step 7.* This motion, made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Nancy Persing, Carried: Anthony Bair: Absent, Kara Mularz: Absent, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes
Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 2

Note: COOR ISD provides social work services for CASD. COOR ISD is responsible for the oversight of this employee, who is a member of our union.

7.D. *Approve a bid from Kingscott in the amount of \$96,943.31 for Phase 2 furniture to be delivered and installed in December.* This covers the replacement of furniture for our existing 5 classrooms (3-COOR Educational Center and 2 at the Adult Transition Center)

This motion, made by Alyssa Faulkner and seconded by Jim Gendernalik, Carried: Anthony Bair: Absent, Kara Mularz: Absent, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes
Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 2

Phase one will be delivered at the end of September and fill new classroom spaces. Phase two replaces furniture in current classrooms. It has been decades since a major furniture purchase was made. This paid for with fund equity, not the construction funding. There was discussion on the quality of the furniture and what to do with the old furniture.

8. Information Items

- Social Media Report: There was a reach of 20,289 in August, with the top post about free car seats given out at the National Night Out event reaching 3,840. A report on the past 6 months was shared with the board.
- Alternative Educational Academy of Ogemaw County Agenda (rescheduled to Sept 15th) Superintendent Petri reported that AEAP board meetings continue as usual. In August, he discussed the authorizer review with their board.
- All-staff meeting: President Mangutz thanked Nancy Persing for attending and speaking at the all-staff meeting. Nancy stated that it was inspiring to be in the room with all the COOR ISD staff. "It is hard to imagine just how many people all the staff members reach and the ripple effect of their work."
- President Mangutz shared that the community members from small districts feels heard and cared for, which means that Superintendent Petri is doing a great job.

9. Superintendent's Report

1. State Budget – Nothing has been approved yet. October 1st is shut down deadline. The budget is out of committee work. Now the Governor, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor need to complete the last steps with a final vote.
2. CEC Construction - CEC construction is in the closing stage. The exterior doors are going to hold off the final occupancy.
3. Cell phones in local districts - Superintendent Petri is very proud of the cell phone restrictions in local school districts. Mio AuSable is now finalizing a policy and CHA plans to follow suit. Then all the local school districts within the ISD will be cell phone free. The

leadership committee will be watching data on discipline and testing data to see what outcomes occur. He is proud of the LEA superintendents.

4. COOR Corner and MASA Morning News

COOR Corner has been published in all local newspapers. The article was shared on the UpNorth News' website, which the Michigan Association of School Administrators linked to the their e-newsletter, shared statewide with other educational news. The Lyle Spalding award winner and staff years of service articles were also published in the papers. The community is seeing some of the ISD's actions!

10. Communications

-Thank you card from Lois Adams & Family (Don Adams' celebration of life was held on Aug 7th) Don Adams was our Director of Special Education from 1999 to 2006.

11. Adjournment

Adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Ian Faulkner, Carried: Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 2 Time: 7:08 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Rebecca Socia,
Recording Secretary



Ian Faulkner,
Board Secretary