

- A. A work session meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Orion Community Schools, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, was called to order on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: D. Bressett, J. Singer, S. Flaherty, J. Faber, B. McQuiston, S. Taylor

Board Members Absent: H. Sinawi

Administrators Present: H. Mercer, A. Curtis, A. Towlerton

Administrators Absent: A. Weldon

Others Present: M. Ridky, M. Snyder, S. Leggett

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Approve Agenda

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Taylor, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes - all; Motion carried

D. New Certified Staff Candidate Introductions

A. Towlerton discusses four new staff members: Fallone Hare (Fourth grade teacher at Paint Creek), Victoria Jones (Fifth grade teacher at Webber Elementary), Joel Massarello (Auto Tech Teacher at Lake Orion High School), and Christine Szopjak (Teacher). Fallone, Victoria and Joel were present.

E. Learning Highlights and Communication Update - M. Snyder shared a presentation

F. Orion Township Library Think Link Partnership Agreement was presented by A. Towlerton

G. Public Participation Related to Action Items on the Agenda: None

H. Strategic Area Discussion Items

1. Select delegates and alternates for MASB 2026 Delegate Assembly: Delegates: D. Bressett, B. McQuiston, J. Faber, J. Singer Alternate: S. Flaherty

2. Governance

a. Superintendent's update

1. Legislative update

2. Future Bond Planning: There are two dates, 9/29/26 for an in-person information meeting at the administration building and 10/29/26 via webinar

3. Student Achievement

a. A. Towlerton update

4. Human Resources

a. Assistant Superintendent Update (A. Towlerton provided in A. Weldon's absence)

1. Certified new hire recommendations

5. Finance and Operations

a. A. Curtis discussed current projects including the Paint Creek Playground roofing, student parking lot paving, and road between Circ and Scripps; The annual audit is underway

I. Action Items

1. Consent Agenda

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Faber, to approve the consent agenda items as presented: approve Minutes from August 12, 2026 Work Session Meeting;

Moved by Taylor, seconded by Faber, to approve the consent agenda items as presented: Ayes - all; motion carried

2. Approve Certified New Hires

Moved by Taylor, seconded by Faber, to approve the four new hires as presented. Ayes-all; motion carried

3. Approve Orion Township Library Think Link Partnership Agreement for 2026/27 school year

Moved by Flaherty, seconded by McQuiston to approve the agreement as presented. Ayes - all; motion carried

- J. Public Participation for other Non-Action Items/Topics
One resident spoke to the board
- K. Recap/Next steps
 - 1. Student Count Choice
 - 2. Follow up with resident that spoke to board
- L. Closing Comments: Administrator and Board Members discussed excitement for welcoming back student and staff
- M. Meeting Adjournment: Administrator and Board member items were provided for and so noted.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm

Board Secretary