

February 9, 2026 - Regular Board Meeting
Monday, February 9, 2026 5:30 PM Eastern

Elk Rapids High School Library
308 Meguzee Point Dr
Elk Rapids, MI 49629

Jennifer Brown: Present
Jeff Hill: Present
Tara Kribs: Present
Steven Merchant: Present
Scott Moore: Present
Sherry Steffen: Absent
Shana Wojtowicz: Present
Present: 6, Absent: 1.

I. CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board of Education:

President Jennifer Brown	Trustee Scott Moore
Vice-President Tara Kribs	Trustee Shana Wojtowicz
Secretary Sherry Steffen	Trustee Jeff Hill
Trustee _____	

Central Staff:

Superintendent Bryan McKenna
Executive Assistant Kortni Huron
Director of Finance Laurie McCann
Trustee **Steven Merchant** was in attendance after being sworn in.

II. CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

To approve the agenda with no changes or additions. This motion, made by Scott Moore and seconded by Tara Kribs, Carried.

Sherry Steffen: Absent, Jennifer Brown: Yea, Jeff Hill: Yea, Tara Kribs: Yea, Steven Merchant: Yea, Scott Moore: Yea, Shana Wojtowicz: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Time limitations: Fifteen minutes per item, three minutes per speaker per item. Any citizen attending the meeting in person who wishes to address the school board on agenda items only may speak at this time. Person addressing the board are asked to register their name, address, and, if applicable, their affiliation. The Board President should recognize the citizen before speaking.

None.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

The purpose of the consent agenda is to expedite business by grouping routine items together to be dealt with by one board motion without discussion beyond asking questions for simple clarification. Any board member may ask that any item on the consent agenda be removed and

placed elsewhere on the agenda for discussion or due to conflicts. Such requests will be granted. If an item is not removed from the consent agenda, the action noted on the agenda is approved by motions to adopt the consent agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- January 12, 2026 - Organizational Meeting Minutes
- January 12, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes
- February 4, 2026 - Special Meeting Minutes

APPROVAL OF BILLS

- General Fund - \$431,658.96
- Bond - \$242,404.12

PERSONNEL

102-26 APPROVAL OF QUINN MAGSIG AS A COACH

RESOLVED: That Quinn Magsig be approved as Girl's Basketball Coach at Cherryland Middle School. Mr. Magsig will be placed at Step 1 of the Master Agreement.

103-26 APPROVAL OF MORRIGAN PRUYT'S REINSTATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT

RESOLVED: That Morrigan Pruyt's reinstatement of employment be approved for the remainder of the 2025-26 school year.

104-26 APPROVAL OF LANCE VANDUSEN AS FACILITIES/OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR

RESOLVED: That Lance Van Dusen be approved as Facilities/Operations Supervisor. Mr. Van Dusen will be placed at Step 3 of the Wage Scale.

105-26 APPROVAL OF KELLY CROFTCHIK AS A COACH

RESOLVED: That Kelly Croftchik be approved as Varsity Girls Tennis Coach. Mrs. Croftchik will be placed at Step 1 of the Master Agreement.

106-26 APPROVAL OF OLIVIA ANGUILM AS A COACH

RESOLVED: That Olivia Anguilm be approved as Junior Varsity Softball Coach. Ms. Anguilm will be placed at Step 1 of the Master Agreement.

DONATIONS

None.

To approve the Consent Agenda as presented. This motion, made by Scott Moore and seconded by Tara Kribs, Carried.

Sherry Steffen: Absent, Jennifer Brown: Yea, Jeff Hill: Yea, Tara Kribs: Yea, Steven Merchant: Yea, Scott Moore: Yea, Shana Wojtowicz: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V. ACTION ITEMS

V.A. 107-26 APPROVAL OF VERKADA DOOR ADD PROPOSAL

RESOLVED: That the Verkada Door Add Proposal, prepared by Windemuller, be approved as presented.

To approve the resolution as presented. This motion, made by Scott Moore and seconded by Tara Kribs, Carried.

Sherry Steffen: Absent, Jennifer Brown: Yea, Jeff Hill: Yea, Tara Kribs: Yea, Steven Merchant: Yea, Scott Moore: Yea, Shana Wojtowicz: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.B. 108-26 APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT TRIP

RESOLVED: That the overnight trip for FIRST Robotics District Event, dated March 6-8, 2026, be approved as presented.

To approve the resolution as presented. This motion, made by Scott Moore and seconded by Tara Kribs, Carried.

Sherry Steffen: Absent, Jennifer Brown: Yea, Jeff Hill: Yea, Tara Kribs: Yea, Steven Merchant: Yea, Scott Moore: Yea, Shana Wojtowicz: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

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None.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Superintendent Mid-Year Goal Review/Student Growth Data
- Perception Survey
- Superintendent Mid-Year Goal Review/Student Growth Data - Handout to the board from Superintendent McKenna for their review.
- Perception Survey - Bryan McKenna is working with the ISD for a Perception Survey for families in May. This survey is intended to get a pulse on where the community is at with the schools. The district will review the best questions and will bring an example in March, edits to consider in April, and hopes to send the survey to families and the community in May.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

None.

IX. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Bond Update
- 31aa Update
- School Resource Officer Grant

- Student Activities
 - Basketball Districts
 - ERHS/CMS Musical
 - MSBOA Band Festival

- Bond Update - The locker room is functional at Cherryland Middle School. The arts wing is nearing completion, with hopes to be in this wing by spring break. Landscaping will be completed this spring and summer 2026.
- 31aa Update - The district opted in to receive these funds back in December. The district, however, has not received the funds yet.
- School Resource Officer Grant - The district administration worked with the village 3 years ago, and the grant ends this summer. The district is hoping that a competitive grant opportunity becomes available. The district is also working with the village to continue the partnership if the grant isn't renewed.
- Student Activities - Bryan McKenna celebrated and shared these upcoming activities with the board.

X. BOARD OF EDUCATION CELEBRATING SUCCESSES

Jennifer Brown stated that the board had a great pool of board vacancy applicants and extended a warm welcome to Steven Merchant.

XI. SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES/FUTURE MEETINGS

- February 13, 2026 - 1/2 Day of School for Students, PM Building Professional Development for Staff
- February 16, 2026 - No School for Students, District Professional Development for Staff
- February 19-21, 2026 - ERHS/CMS Musical
- February 23, 25, 27, 2026 - Host Basketball Districts
- February 27, 2026 - MSBOA Band Festival
- March 9, 2026 - Regular Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

To adjourn at 6:19 p.m. This motion, made by Scott Moore and seconded by Tara Kribs, Carried.
 Sherry Steffen: Absent, Jennifer Brown: Yea, Jeff Hill: Yea, Tara Kribs: Yea, Steven Merchant: Yea, Scott Moore: Yea, Shana Wojtowicz: Yea
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