

Minutes of Lamp of Learning Committee Meeting

The Board of Trustees Lake Orion Community Schools

A Lamp of Learning Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lake Orion Community Schools was held Tuesday, March 3, 2026, beginning at 12:09 PM.

Attendees: Jeff Faber, Scott Taylor, Jake Singer, Julie Olko

A. Discussion Items

1. Review Budget and Discuss Scholarship Offerings

The committee discussed the program budget. Current revenues of \$4,730 and expenditures of \$12,484, were reviewed, leaving the program with a \$7,754 deficit. Expenses were significantly higher this year due to awards being ordered in alternating years, an increase in cost of awards, a carry over scholarship payout, and additional expenses for ceremony security required by district safety protocols. The deficit can be covered this year by corporate card rebate funds however the committee will meet again to continue discussing the sustainability of the program.

The committee discussed Board scholarships and is planning to offer the same opportunities as last year, however leveling the amount for all five categories.

- Ambassador High School: \$500*
- Outstanding Service: \$500*
- Vocational/Technical: \$500*
- Arts and Literature: \$500*
- Ambassador Learning Options: \$500*

The committee also discussed potentially restructuring the program to possibly only award academic letters at the high school level as the pins do not seem to have value to students. They also discussed the complexities of how special education student eligibility is determined. These topics will continue to be discussed at a future meeting where ideas such as digital programs, online payments, digital recognition certificates and special education recognition can be further explored.

B. Public Participation

No public participation

The meeting concluded at 1:03 PM

Secretary, Board of Education