

C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District

Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Regular Board of Education Meeting

11051 N. Cut Road, Roscommon, MI 48653



1. Call to order & Roll Call

President Mangutz called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Present: Ian Faulkner, Jim Gendernalik, Jim Mangutz DDS, Kara Mularz, Nancy Persing, and Lyn Sperry. Absent: Brie Molaison. (6 present, 1 absent) Also present: Superintendent Petri, Natalie Davis, Mike Evans, Rebecca Socia, Jane Petri.

2. Opening Ceremonies

- Remembering 9/11: All present observed a moment of silence in remembrance.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Mission Statement

C.O.O.R. ISD provides programs and services with our partners to support the current and emerging teaching and learning needs of our schools and communities.

3. Adopt the Agenda

Adopt the agenda as presented. This motion, made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Ian Faulkner, Carried (6-0).

4. Resolution: Recognition of Retirement

“Be It Resolved, the C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District Board of Education expresses sincere appreciation to Natalie Davis, Director of Career and Technical Education, for her valued and dedicated service to the C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District for the period of August 2021 to September 2024, and offers her best wishes in her retirement.”

Motion made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Nancy Persing. Motion carried (6-0).

Natalie stated that she enjoyed being part of the growing the program and overseeing the construction of the COOR Advanced Technical Innovation Center. She appreciated the kind and authentic leadership that Shawn Petri provides.

5. Resolution: Recognition of Retirement

“Be It Resolved, the C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District Board of Education expresses sincere appreciation to Mary Sorenson, Independence Facilitator, for her valued and dedicated service to the C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District for the period of Nov 2015 to June 2024, and offers her best wishes in her retirement.” Mary was not able to attend the meeting.

Motion made by Kara Mularz and seconded by Lyn Sperry. Motion carried (6-0).

6. Classroom Library Enhancement Grant presentation-

Michelle Ewald, Early Literacy Coach, reviewed the improvements that the \$10,000 in earmarked funds were able to make to both individual classroom libraries and the school library at the Rose City School. There were only funds to work with one school within the ISD and it was a hard choice. Other schools may utilize some of the guidelines for replacing outdated texts and finding new, engaging texts that help students see themselves in the printed materials.

7. Department Updates

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

A question was asked about the TRAILS program (Transforming Research into Action to Improve the Lives of Students), which focuses on social-emotional learning.

There was also a discussion on opportunities for adults to read to students as volunteers. The board encourages student growth & development in the community as well as at home.

Trustee Gendernalik asked how Mike Evans is doing. Evans reported that he is greeting students and going into classes every day and meeting with staff weekly. There a few too many kids enrolled in some of the classes based on ideal class size, even though a para-professional assists in each of the larger-sized classes. It would be better if the ISD were able to open a morning and afternoon session. Passing a CTE millage would offer more options for students.

8. Public Participation – None.

- 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.

9. 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 all items on the Consent Agenda. This motion, made by Kara Mularz and seconded by Ian Faulkner, Carried (6-0). Brie Molaison: Absent, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, Jim Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes, Lyn Sperry: Yes

9.A. Approve minutes of the previous regular meeting on August 14, 2024

9.B. Approval of Bills for August 2024 totaling \$946,365.87

9.C. Approve Revenue & Expenditure Reports for August 2024

9.D. Amend contract with Benjamin Lowe, Public Safety Instructor, to increase to 4 days per week, a total of 158 days.

9.E. Ratify renewal of contract with PowerSchool for staff and parent communications (formerly School Messenger) for \$1,345.96 from Sept 7, 2024 to Sept 6, 2025.

10. Action Items

10.A. *Approve new student parking agreement for the COOR Educational Center/ Adult Transition Center.* This motion, made by Ian Faulkner and seconded by Lyn Sperry, Carried (6-0).

10.B. *Ratify lease for second storage unit at Towne & Country Storage for Great Start Collaborative for \$330 per year.* This motion, made by Kara Mularz and seconded by Nancy Persing, Carried (6-0). Brie Molaison: Absent, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, Jim Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes, Lyn Sperry: Yes. The board appreciated the discounted rate.

10.C. *Approve contract for Michelle Patterson, Early Math Specialist for one day per week in the 24-25 school year.* This motion, made by Lyn Sperry and seconded by Jim Gendernalik, Carried (6-0). Brie Molaison: Absent, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, Jim Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes, Lyn Sperry: Yes. This is separate from her duties instructing the Teacher Cadet class.

10.D. *Approve COOR Educational Center Emergency Operations Plan.* This motion, made by Kara Mularz and seconded by Jim Gendernalik, Carried (6-0).

Superintendent Petri stated that Melisa Akers and Joe Moore worked on required updates and formatting. You never know what will happen, so now staff have the tools to react quickly if needed. It will be reviewed with staff annually.

10.E. *Approve agreement with Rodney Lamar Page in the amount of \$4,000 for two 60-minute breakout sessions and one 90-min finale on November 1st for all local district and ISD staff.* This motion, made by Nancy Persing and seconded by Ian Faulkner, Carried (6-0). Brie Molaison: Absent, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, Jim Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes, Lyn Sperry: Yes

Superintendent Petri stated that it will be a great closing session for our Nov 1st PD event and that board members are encouraged to attend.

11. Information Items

-Social Media Report for August: Total reach of 6,418 for the month.

-Alternative Educational Academy of Ogemaw County (AEAOC) – August meeting minutes and September meeting agenda -- Superintendent Peri has walked through their facilities and been involved with financial updates and board actions. Board members should review the agendas and minutes as well. AEAOC owns the building in West Branch that was formerly Kirtland Community College. AEAOC has hired their own social worker and an on-site administrator, Pete Neuman. Superintendent Petri just completed the annual review. He recommended that

they identify and train their own Title IX Coordinator. They have an extension campus at Gladwin. Melinda Green from COOR ISD used to provide social work services, so it helped the ISD for AEAOC to hire their own. Our two social workers are covering all our local districts.

12. Superintendent's Report

- Superintendent Petri does not recommend going in on the Insulin Litigation.
- CEC construction: The district is almost to the RFP process for CEC construction project. The superintendent recommends taking out a 10-year loan and getting the work done in one phase. There is a need to utilize that space.
- Talent Together was recently highlighted by the Federal Secretary of Education. It's the largest teaching apprenticeship program in the country. The \$66 million categorical is helping people earning their teaching credentials to alleviate the teacher shortage. There are 275 teachers who are now in classrooms through Talent Together. New teachers can do apprenticeships at schools, and there are 63 apprentices currently across the state. There are seven people in the ISD enrolled in Talent Together right now. This year there are about 1,700 candidates in line for the next round, but only \$12.5 million dollars are available. Money is set aside for each teacher in the program to complete their study. 94% of the candidates are still in the program. Superintendent Petri is on the Talent Together board. He sees a need to lobby legislators to protect funding for this initiative.
- Strategic Planning will be rolling out soon with Rick Diebold as the facilitator. Board members are encouraged to start thinking about new goals.
- Superintendent Goals: Petri plans to bring his goals to the October meeting.
- Presentation of Lyle Spalding Award: Superintendent Petri asked to present the Spalding award to Sheila Smiley himself, since he worked with her previously at West Branch-Rose City Area Schools. This will be Sept 16th.

13. Communications

Angie Stern, teacher at the Adult Transition Center, shared a photo of refinished floor. Students and staff really liked the newly finished floor, new fridge, and new countertop at the Adult Transition Center.

14. Adjournment

Adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Nancy Persing, Carried (6-0). Time: 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Socia,
Recording Secretary

Lyn Sperry,
Board Secretary