



CHELSEA
SCHOOL DISTRICT

South Meadows
335 Pierce St.
Chelsea, MI 48118

Regular
Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2026 6:30 PM Eastern

Michelle Craig: Present
Glenn Fox: Present
Nicolia Heineman: Present
Erin Hunt-Carter: Present
Heidi Reyst: Present
Sara Tracy: Present
Eric Wilkinson: Present

Present: 7.

1. Call to order/roll call/Pledge of Allegiance/adoption of agenda and consent agenda

Call to order at 6:30 pm Motion to adopt agenda and consent agenda. This motion, made by Glenn Fox and seconded by Heidi Reyst, Passed.

Michelle Craig: Yea, Glenn Fox: Yea, Nicolia Heineman: Yea, Erin Hunt-Carter: Yea, Heidi Reyst: Yea, Sara Tracy: Yea, Eric Wilkinson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

2. Special Presentations & Celebrations

2.a. Student of the Month

* North Creek Elementary - Miriam Gohrband

* South Meadows Elementary - Lizzy Blomquist

3. * Staff Reports

3.a. North Creek - Casey Wescott

3.b. South Meadows - Katie Spisich

3.c. Operations - Ross Potgiesser

3.d. Technology - Ryan Spencer

3.e. Food Service - Chris Simpson

3.f. Transportation - Corrina Horton

- 3.g. Special Education - Lisa Nickel
 - 3.h. Early Childhood and Comm Education - Sarah Bentley
 - 3.i. CHS - Amanda Clor
 - 3.j. BMS - Adam Schilt
 - 3.k. Finance - Nicole Lechner
 - 3.l. Human Resources - Marcus Kaemming
 - 3.m. Athletics - Matt Cunningham
 - 3.n. Curriculum and Instruction - Michelle Hilla
 - 3.o. Greg DeGrand - Safety and Security
4. Superintendent Report & Communications

* Congratulations to Miriam and Lizzy as our March Students of the Month.

* MHSAA Scholar-Athlete Award – Miles Dell was chosen as one of 32 recipients of the 2025 MHSAA Scholar-Athlete Award.

* Division 2 Quarterfinals – Our boys basketball team will be competing in the Division 2 state quarterfinal game on Tuesday, March 10th against Romulus Summit Academy.

* Deed Restriction – A research initiative called Justice InDeed reviews historical property records across Washtenaw County to identify racially restrictive covenants that had been written into deeds decades ago. As part of this research, the district was notified by two community members that a parcel owned by the Chelsea School District (North Creek Elementary) contained a racially restrictive covenant within the original deed language. The district completed the process for removal of this language and was notified by Washtenaw County of the updated deed record reflecting both the current law and the values of our community.

* Wellness Day @ CHS – March 11th our CHS students will have the opportunity to participate in our second annual Wellness Day. Students can sign up for four guest speaker sessions focusing on wellness, helping students build a well-rounded understanding of how to prioritize their health and well-being. Thank yous go out to Marie Larson , CSD Mental Health Coordinator, and Kristen Chandler, Project SUCCESS Coordinator, for this event.

* FIRST Robotics Competition – CHS hosted our first ever FIRST Robotics competition with over 40 teams from across Michigan. This event was made possible by the hard work of Anne Findlay, Marka and Steve Eberly, Kirk Findlay, and many other parent volunteers. It was a huge success for our students, Robotics community and the city of Chelsea. Special thanks go out to Amanda Clor and Ross Potgiesser and his team for helping with the logistics for the event.

5. Committee Reports

Curriculum Committee – Erin Hunt-Carter discussed our Y5s renovations, grants supporting our curriculum and the Care Closets at each school.

5.a. November and December 2026 Finance Reports

Motion to approve November & December 2025 Finance Report. This motion, made by Michelle Craig and seconded by Eric Wilkinson, Passed.

Michelle Craig: Yea, Glenn Fox: Yea, Nicolía Heineman: Yea, Erin Hunt-Carter: Yea, Heidi Reyst: Yea, Sara Tracy: Yea, Eric Wilkinson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

6. Public Input #1

6.a. Previous Public Comment Board/Superintendent follow up

None

6.b. Public Comment

* Laura Damschroeder

6.c. Superintendent/Board Discussion

None

7. * Consent Action Items

7.a. *Action Item 53-25-26: Approval of the minutes from the Regular and Closed session on February 9, 2026, and February 23, 2026 Work Session.

Motion to accept. This motion, made by Michelle Craig and seconded by Sara Tracy, Passed.

Michelle Craig: Yea, Glenn Fox: Yea, Nicolía Heineman: Yea, Erin Hunt-Carter: Yea, Heidi Reyst: Yea, Sara Tracy: Yea, Eric Wilkinson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

8. Information & Discussion

8.a. Fieldhouse Bid Proposal - Chris Martin and Robyn Anes, Clark Construction

Donations of \$1.8M being used to complete this project. The RFP brought in 8 proposals. The team selected the three lowest bidders and gave them the opportunity to present their bid. The unanimous decision was to go with Rand Construction.

Three Options were presented:

1. Base Design \$2.78 M
2. Enhanced Exterior Panels \$3.11 M
3. Enhanced Exterior Vestibule \$3.34 M

Discussion ensued regarding time to build, experience of Rand Construction, use and staffing, size of building, and security and technology in building.

8.b. Third and Eighth grade Ipad purchase - Ryan Spencer

Discussion ensued regarding replacement cycle, number of devices, insurance and disposal of old devices.

8.c. Gabridge & Co. Audit Contract Extension - Nicole Lechner

Discussion ensued regarding the recommendation to extend our contract with Gabridge & Co. for three years.

8.d. Operating and Sinking Fund Millages - Mike Kapolka

Discussion ensued regarding both millages expiring in 2026 and when to place them on the ballot.

9. Public Input #2

9.a. Public Comment

None

9.b. Superintendent/Board Discussion

None

10. Student Liaison and Board Member Reports/Comments/Commendations/Thank You

* Bradley Dunn and Wyeth Angus – Update on spring sports season, Student Suggestion Box, Mini Victorthon planning beginning, Chelsea Expo, and the phenomenal breakfasts in the cafeteria.

* Heidi Reyst - Senior Exit Interview Process

* Michelle Craig - Staff Appreciation Week and CAP Jr production of Frozen.

* Eric Wilkinson - Thank you to everyone who supports athletics

* Nicolia Heineman – Participated in the Principal Advisory Committee at CHS. March is Reading Month at NCE.

* Erin Hunt-Carter - Robotics competition was very high energy. Congratulations to the Quiz Bowl team for qualifying for Nationals again.

* Glenn Fox - Working on a safer Freer Rd crossing.

11. Upcoming Events

- Spring Break, March 30–April 3, 2026
- Monday, April 6, 2026 — Board Meeting, 6:30pm WSEC

12. Closed Session, Negotiations (MCL 380.503)

Motion to go into closes session at 7:49. This motion, made by Michelle Craig and seconded by Nicolía Heineman, Passed.

Michelle Craig: Yea, Glenn Fox: Yea, Nicolía Heineman: Yea, Erin Hunt-Carter: Yea, Heidi Reyst: Yea, Sara Tracy: Yea, Eric Wilkinson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

The Board went into closed session at 7:49pm.

The Board came out of closed session at 9:14pm.

13. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Tracy
Board Secretary