May 28, 2025

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, May 28, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: D. Bresett, J. Faber, B. McQuiston, H. Sinawi, J. Singer, S. Taylor

Board Members Absent: S. Flaherty

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

Others Present: J. Olko, L. Logsdon, J. Goral

Moved by Singer, seconded by Sinawi, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes – all; Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING – TRUTH IN BUDGET AND TAXATION HEARING

President Bresett opened the public hearing. Andrea Curtis reviewed the proposed tax levy as follows:

General Fund	18.0 mills (Non-Homestead Only)
Building & Site Sinking Fund	1.8643 mills (All Taxable Values)
Debt Service Fund:	7.491 mills (All Taxable Values)
Estimated Total Tax Levy as of July 1, 2025:	$39,316,100

The draft 2025-26 General Fund budget was shared. Estimated revenues are $104,920,414 and estimated expenditures are $104,900,924. There was no public participation. President Bresett closed the hearing.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO ACTION ITEMS ON THE AGENDA: No participation from the public.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- July and August Board Meeting Dates: The Board discussed the August 11 and August 13 meetings and prefer to combine them by holding a work session on August 11 at 6:30 p.m., adding the required agenda items for the November 2025 bond proposal. A revised meeting schedule will be brought for approval on June 11.
- Second Reading NEOLA 39-2 - Policies 0131.1, 2340, 5320, 5330, 5330.01, 5350, 5460, 8320, 8500, 8510, 8640 and Miscellaneous Policies 2264, 2266: Board members reviewed the policy revisions. Administration will follow up on a Board member question regarding policy 5330.01.
- Second Reading – Proposed Revisions to OCSBA Bylaws and Resolutions: Board members reviewed the revisions. No additional questions or concerns were noted.
- High School Math Instructional Resources Request: Board members reviewed a recommendation to adopt and implement CPM beginning with the 2025/2026 school year.
- Tax Rate Levy (L-4029): A summary of the public hearing information was shared.
- April Monthly Financial Report: General fund/cash balance reports were reviewed.
- Second Reading - International Academy FY 2026 Budget: Board members reviewed the proposed revenue and expenditure summaries.
- AV, PA and Clocks Bid: Board members reviewed a recommendation for audio visual systems, public address systems and clocks totaling $234,574.
- Cabling Bid: Board members reviewed a recommendation for structured cabling totaling $101,050.

ACTION ITEMS

Moved by Taylor, seconded by Sinawi, to approve the consent agenda items as presented:

a. Approve Minutes from the May 14, 2025 Regular Meeting

Ayes – all; Motion carried

Moved by Singer, seconded by McQuiston, to approve the proposed revisions for Board Policies 0131.1, 2340, 5320, 5330, 5330.01, 5350, 5460, 8320, 8500, 8510, 8640, 2264 and 2266 as presented. Ayes – all; Motion carried.

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Sinawi, to authorize the ballot submission for OCSBA Proposed Bylaws Amendments as presented. Ayes – all; Motion carried.

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Taylor, to authorize the ballot submission for OCSBA Proposed Resolutions as presented. Ayes – all; Motion carried.

Moved by Sinawi, seconded by Taylor, to approve the new instructional resources request for High School Math for Fall 2025 implementation, as presented. Ayes – all; Motion carried.

Moved by Taylor, seconded by McQuiston, to approve the annual Tax Rate Request (Form L-4029) for municipalities as presented. Ayes – all; Motion carried.

Moved by Sinawi, seconded by Taylor, to adopt the Resolution to Approve the International Academy FY2026 Budget, as presented. Roll call: Ayes–6 (Bresett, Faber, McQuiston, Sinawi, Singer, Taylor); Nays–0; Motion carried.

Moved by Sinawi, seconded by McQuiston, to authorize Administration to finalize and execute a change order with VSC, Inc. for audio visual systems, public address systems and clocks, in the amount of $213,574 with a contingency of $21,000, for a total project award of $234,574. Ayes – all; Motion carried.

Moved by Faber, seconded by Sinawi, to authorize Administration to finalize and execute a change order with Vector to purchase and install structured cabling in the amount of $91,850 with a contingency of $9,200, for a procurement total of $101,050. Ayes – all; Motion carried.

Strategic Plan Update: This update covers February through May 2025 work. Cabinet members reviewed progress in the goal/focus areas below. Details are noted in the attached presentation.

Academics and Programs
- Scheduling / Curriculum / Technology

Communications and Community Engagement
- Adult Enrichment / Communications / Marketing

Operations
- Manage 2024 Sinking Fund Millage / Alternate Revenue Sources
- Manage 2018 District Bond Projects
- 2025 Bond Proposal
- Review of Areas of Operations

Finance
- Departmental Budget Meetings / Budget Review with Leadership Team
- Gather Data for Indirect Costs
- Adoption of Fund Balance Policy

Learning Environment and Culture
- Social Emotional Learning / Success for All Dragons
- Individualized Instruction / MICIP Update
- Learning Environment / Professional Development / Mental Health

Personnel and Leadership
- Negotiations / Leadership Development
- Recruitment / Staff Recognition

Safety and Security
- Updates to EOPs, Response Protocol, Safety Flip Charts / Agency Partnerships / Leadership Scenarios

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR OTHER NON-ACTION ITEMS/TOPICS: No participation from the public.

RECAP/NEXT STEPS: Administration will follow up on a Board member question regarding policy 5330.01.

CLOSING COMMENTS: Administrator and Board member items were provided for and so noted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

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Board Secretary