

C.O.O.R. Intermediate School
District
February 11, 2026 Organizational
Meeting

Location: COOR ISD Central Office
11051 N. Cut Rd. Roscommon, MI 48653



A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education (the “Board”) was held at 11051 N Cut Rd, Roscommon, MI, on Wednesday, February 11, 2026.

1. Call to order & Roll Call

President Mangutz called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

2. Opening Ceremonies

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Mission Statement: *To deliver expert services, impactful programs, and responsive leadership to our schools and communities* (read by Dr. Mangutz)

Roll Call: Anthony Bair: Present, Kara Mularz: Present, Alyssa Faulkner: Present, Ian Faulkner: Present, Jim Gendernalik: Absent, James Mangutz DDS: Present, Nancy Persing: Present Present: 6, Absent: 1.

Jim Gendernalik arrived at 6:01.

3. Adopt the Agenda

Adopt the agenda with moving the Martin Luther King, Jr Day conversation to department updates. This motion, made by Kara Mularz and seconded by Alyssa Faulkner, Carried.

Anthony Bair: Yes, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes
Yes: 7, No: 0

4. Department Updates (read by the board in advance)

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

A resident had questioned why our schools stay open on Martin Luther King, Jr Day. After discussion, the board felt it was more important to have teachers discuss his teachings than to take the day off in his remembrance. COOR Educational Center and Adult Transition Center students currently celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day with

activities in class. Ms. Tracy's class made a "Peace Tree" which included reminders to be fair, be kind, be loving. The ISD Board felt that local districts should be encouraged to have all classes talk about MLK's influence (not just social studies).

Principal Joseph Moore reported that the Knights of Columbus Council 6548 from Houghton Lake donated tootsie roll drive funds over \$1,500.

Superintendent Petri reminded the board that blankets are supplied on all buses for all students in case the bus has an issue, because it has been a very cold winter.

5. 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.

6. 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 Nancy Persing and seconded by Jim Gendernalik, Carried.

Anthony Bair: Yes, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

6.A. Approve minutes of previous meeting on January 7, 2026

6.B. Approval of Bills for January 2026 totaling \$2,172,723.94

6.C. Approve Revenue & Expenditure Reports and MILAF statement for January 2026

6.D. Approve Soccer Facility Lease renewal from February 12, 2026 to February 11, 2030.

7. Action Items

7.A. *Ratify the hiring of Avery Smitz, Finance Intern from February 6, 2026 to August 28, 2026.* The intern would work one day per week and possibly the full week of spring break.

This motion, made by Jim Gendernalik and seconded by Anthony Bair, Carried. Anthony Bair: Yes, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes; Yes: 7, No: 0

Finance Director Kurt Loll reported that Ms. Smitz was attending classes to earn a master's degree in finance at Northwood University. With this internship, she will gain exposure to what school finance might look like. That would benefit her with exposure to different systems and methods, and it would be a valuable resource for our local school districts. Mr. Loll is currently helping Fairview area schools one day per week, and three local districts may need a finance staff member in the near future. It may be short term or go nowhere, but there is good potential if she does like

school finance. We are “growing people.”

7.B. *Ratify the hiring of **Debra Mattingly, Speech Therapist** for Houghton Lake Community Schools, as CEA bargaining unit member at MA +30, step 30, effective January 26, 2026; and **Sara Giza, School Social Worker** for Roscommon Area Public Schools, as CEA bargaining unit member at MA+30, step 5, effective December 29, 2025* This motion, made by Kara Mularz and seconded by Jim Gendernalik, Carried; Anthony Bair: Yes, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes. Yes: 7, No: 0

7.C. *Approve updates to the COOR Educational Center School Safety Response Guide.* This motion, made by Ian Faulkner and seconded by Nancy Persing, Carried. Anthony Bair: Yes, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes Yes: 7, No: 0

7.D. *Approve amended 2025-26 budgets for ROOC, Inc. and Career & Technical Education.* This motion, made by Anthony Bair and seconded by Alyssa Faulkner, Carried. Anthony Bair: Yes, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes -- Yes: 7, No: 0 Finance Director Kurt Loll reviewed changes to the ROOC and Career tech budgets. The special education budget, which still needs approval, is looking good. Staff are keeping the budget tight.

8. Information Items

At the superintendent meeting, the board would like to make sure the local superintendents are encouraging their board members to attend the ISD-wide board dinner and tour of the career tech facility on April 9th.

Becky Socia shared social media stats from January with a total reach of 17,190.

9. Superintendent's Report

A furnace was replaced after multiple repairs in the past 2 months. Now all three furnaces in this building have been replaced in the past four years.

Our region has decided not to accept the CTE Math Improvement Grant.

The personnel committee has a meeting scheduled for March to review Director contracts.

There will be some adjustments to central office desk spaces to allow for more confidentiality.

10. Communications:

There was recent article about the Adult Transition Center student by Central Michigan

University photojournalism student. The article's title is *A Second Family*.

11. Superintendent Evaluation discussion

11.A. Closed session

Go into closed session for the purpose of an employee evaluation. This motion, made by Ian Faulkner and seconded by Nancy Persing, Carried.

Anthony Bair: Yes, Alyssa Faulkner: Yes, Ian Faulkner: Yes, Jim Gendernalik: Yes, James Mangutz DDS: Yes, Kara Mularz: Yes, Nancy Persing: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0 time: 7:24 PM

11.B. Return to Open Session

Moved by Jim Gendernalik, seconded by Kara Mularz. Time: 8:13 PM

12. Adjournment

Adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Kara Mularz and seconded by Alyssa Faulkner, Carried (Yes:7, No: 0). Time: 8:14 PM

Respectfully submitted

Rebecca Socia
Recording Secretary

Ian Faulkner,
Board Secretary