



East Lansing Board of Education

6160 Towar Ave, East Lansing, MI 48823

Items of Information
April 13, 2026 - 7:00 PM

Board Room
Agenda

- I. Future Action
 - A. Policy 5407 Instruction Program and Curriculum Development
 - B. Designation of Depositories
 - C. Schools of Choice Slots Recommendation for 2026-27
- II. Committees
 - A. Academic and Technology
 - 1. Minutes - April 6, 2026

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Minutes of the Academic & Technology Committee of the
East Lansing Board of Education
East Lansing High School - Hub
4/6/2026 at 12:00pm

Opening of Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Terah Chambers at 12:06pm.

Roll Call

Present: Terah Chambers, Estrella Torrez, Chris Martin, Mark Dobson, Christian Palasty

Absent: Kyla Caldwell (student rep), Mason Adams (student rep)

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Estrella Torrez and seconded by Terah Chambers. Unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Estrella Torrez and seconded by Terah Chambers. Unanimously approved.

Public Comment – 3 minutes

None

Meeting Topics/Discussion Items

- Curriculum updates:
 - Have a current PE course where students learn officiating. Supplement with RefWorks to provide training for students interested in officiating. No change to the course, but will better advertise to pick up more students.
 - Growing concern with Chromebook use at the middle school. Starting with conversation with teachers about use of technology, particularly during student down time. Will also be rolling out Securely with home access so parents will have more information about their students' technology use. These are more short term goals; working on a longer term plan, as well.
- Technology updates:
 - Finalizing deal with Metronet for use of our network lines.
 - Tech moving offices to old central office space now that the central office has moved to the new admin building.
 - Gearing up for installing tech in new addition in the high school.
 - Finishing tech items in the new admin building.
- Other Items

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- Discussed moving up plans for updating audio in the high school auditorium. Some can be done soon with existing Sinking funds, but will get some initial information about costs to upgrade/replace.
- Revised time for next meeting: 5/5/26 at 2pm (instead of 1pm on that day)

Announcements

- None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:33pm.

- B. Finance Committee
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FINANCE COMMITTEE

6160 Towar Avenue, East Lansing, MI 48823

Members: Kath Edsall (Chair), Estrella Torrez, and Abbie Tykocki

Agenda

April 13, 2026 – 1:00 p.m.

East Lansing Central Administration Building

1. Opening of Meeting
 - a. Call to order
 - b. Roll call.
 - c. Approval of agenda: April 13, 2026
 - d. Approval of minutes: February 2, 2026, and March 2, 2026.
2. Public Comment
3. Items of Discussion
 - a. ISD 6/30/25 report of LEA's fund balances
 - b. Second-semester class-size overages
 - c. Section 27(L)2 educator compensation update
 - d. SOC recommendation
 - e. 2026-27 budget prep
 - f. Upcoming board recommendations
 - g. Other
4. Adjournment

- C. Policy Committee
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Policy Meeting
Called to order at 10:32 pm

In attendance:

Rulesha Glover-Payne

Klaudia Burton

Dori Leyko

Terah Chambers

Tali Faris-Hylen

Mark Dobson

Terah Chambers - Motion approved from last meeting

Terah Chambers- Motion approved for this agenda

1. Media Center Materials. Attached are the suggestions from Thrun.
 - a. The highlighted is a suggested edit on the point that was unclear on this:
Upon receipt of the Reconsideration Form, the Principal will advise the Assistant Superintendent of the complaint. The Assistant Superintendent will bring the form to the Academic and Technology Committee for reconsideration.
Suggested edit in yellow: The Academic and Technology Committee (including the ELPS District Media Specialist) can add additional review committee members to facilitate the reconsideration process.
2. Renaming Policy: Dori will report back having talked to the building principals.
 - a. Principals want as much centralized as possible for consistency.
 - b. Anything permanent or fixed needs to go through a process.
 - c. Suggestions include a form or application per building that people complete.
 - d. Next step- Dori to draft application for anyone to complete covering all bases using the policy to drive this application. This draft will be brought back to Policy committee.
 - e. This form will hopefully cover all bases i.e. commemoration/individual building items.
 - f. When it comes to renaming a facility or field, etc. this will be more of a board decision to be discussed.
3. Land acknowledgement update
 - a. Klaudia and Steve Neal connected with Nokomis contact and the plan is for him to come in with ELPS social justice team to talk with students on what they want to do and perhaps district to host professional development series on what we can do at ELPS.
 - b. Plaque is paused- the first step is education and perhaps we move from there.
 - c. Waiting on date from Nokomis on when he will come in.



4. For future consideration
 - a. Old policy around media comms prior to Thrun basically said school business was referred to superintendent's office. Referring to this as "practice" to go thru Dori, but policy currently doesn't say this anymore.
 - b. Let's look at this and perhaps update language on current policy to suggest for ELPS staff to go confirm information with administration when approached by media. We never want info going to media that hasn't went to families.
5. Next meeting May 18 at 10:30 am
6. Meeting adjourned at 11:11 am

Respectfully Submitted,

***Dori Leyko
Superintendent***