



MCESA Mission

“Provide leadership, deliver services and leverage resources to improve the education of students in collaboration with constituent districts, schools and the community at large.”

MCESA Board of Education 2/17/2026 MCESA Board of Education Meeting 5:30 PM, Longview Early Childhood Center

- I. Call to order.
 1. Roll Call: President J. Gunderson, Vice President J. Wagner, Secretary G. Wilson, Treasurer K. Heye, Trustee K. Baczewski, Trustee B. Leibfritz, Trustee D. Sommer
 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Public Comment
3. At this time, the Board will provide an opportunity for citizens to speak on educational matters. Citizens desiring to speak at this time should ask to be recognized and identify themselves and their topic. Public communication is limited to five minutes per speaker.
- III. Consent Agenda
 4. Minutes:
 - a. January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting
 5. Check Register: January 2026 Payments
 6. Gifts: None.
 7. Grant Awards: None.
 8. Personnel:
 - a. Approve the hiring of Anthony Moryl, Facilities Manager, effective March 4, 2026.
 - b. Approve the hiring of Gabriel Bryant, Paraeducator, effective February 13, 2026.
 - c. Approve the hiring of Gina Vanderbush, Paraeducator, effective February 13, 2026.
 - d. Approve the hiring of Vayda Wright, Paraeducator, effective February 13, 2026.
 - e. Approve the hiring of Romonia McCray, CNA Paraeducator, effective February 27, 2026.
 - f. Approve the hiring of Elizabeth Osborn, CNA Paraeducator, effective February 27, 2026.
 - g. Approve the hiring of Elizabeth Wood, CNA Paraeducator, effective February 27, 2026.

To expedite the business of the Board, but not diminish the importance of each item, a Consent Agenda has been approved.
- IV. Reports
 9. Equity Committee
 10. Stewardship Committee
 11. Treasury Report:
 - a. Treasurer Heye, Committee Chair, or Designee
 - b. Mark Orihel, Director of Finance
 12. Consider Acceptance of Treasury Report
- V. Superintendent's Report
 13. Staff Updates:

- a. Approved the resignation of Laura Clunie, Teacher, effective February 6, 2026.
- 14. Career and Technical Education Update, Grant Murschel
- 15. Goals Update/Mid-year Review
- 16. March Board Workshop – Proposed Topic is ESA Finance
- VI. Consider approval of the 2025-2026 General Fund Budget Amendment
It is necessary to approve an amendment to the 2025-2026 budget to comply with the universal budgetary requirements. Shared with the board at this meeting is a revised summary of projected revenues and expenditures. The Uniform Budget Act requires that expenditures of the unit of government be within the appropriations by the Board of Directors. The budget resolution has also been reviewed by the Finance Committee at their meeting on February 10, 2026 and will be included in the board packet and minutes upon approval. The Midland County ESA Board of Education will be asked to approve the following budget resolution as presented.
- VII. Consider approval of the bid from Crescent Digital for the Sugnet Conference Room Multimedia System. As part of the Sugnet renovation, the space previously known as the DLR is being upgraded. An RFP was put out with three vendors submitting proposals. After reviewing the bids, it is recommended that MCESA proceed with the bid from Crescent Digital.
- VIII. Other Topics the Board May Wish to Consider
This portion of the agenda is utilized by the Board to introduce topics for future study, to discuss school district and educational service agency related matters, to complete professional association business and related items of interest. Action may be taken during this time.
- IX. Closed session to consider a letter from MCESA's attorney dated February 16, 2026
Superintendent Searles is requesting a closed session pursuant to Section 8(1)(h) to consider a letter from MCESA's attorney that is exempt from disclosure as allowed for in the Open Meetings Act (Majority Vote Need):
- X. Return to Open Session/Adjournment