

**Coopersville Area Public Schools
Board of Education**

**Regular Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2026
7:30 am**

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Coopersville Area Public Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Mike Michalak at 7:30 am.

Roll Call: Members Present: J. Buth, A. Gillhespy, M. Michalak, G. Twietmeyer, L. VanSickle

Members Absent: S. Nelson, R. Post (arrived at 7:30 am)

Also Present: M. Spencer, Superintendent; L. Adams, Secretary to the Board

2. Communication

- a. Audience Comments – Matt Schmude spoke on behalf of the CEA. He is the new CEA President and is excited to work with the Board going forward. He also introduced Nichole Heinz, Chief Negotiator.
- b. Board Communications – None

3. Informational and Discussion Items

- a. Personnel Report - The Personnel Report was presented showing the most recent changes in personnel.
- b. Appointment of 2026-27 Representative to OASBA Board of Directors – The Board appointed Lynn VanSickle.

4. Consent Agenda

MOTION by Twietmeyer, supported by VanSickle, to approve the Consent Agenda, as follows:

- a. Minutes, Bills, and Payrolls as presented
 - b. Annual Loan/Repayment Activity Application
- Motion unanimously carried*

5. Action Item

- a. Annual Banking Services – MOTION by Gillhespy, supported by Twietmeyer, to table the continued banking institutions of ChoiceOne, Huntington, Michigan CLASS, and PFM/MILAF+. The Board would like to do an RFP to make sure we are getting the best interest rates possible.
Motion unanimously carried
- b. Band Instruments – MOTION by Buth, supported by VanSickle, to approve the purchase of band instruments from Sweetwater Music for an amount of \$56,707.25 (bond purchase).
Motion unanimously carried

6. Superintendent's Report

Matt talked about the final bond projects that are finishing up over the next few months. He also invited the Board to our opening staff week for the 26-27 school year. The district will have Solution Tree in attendance and they have some really great key note speakers for them to hear.

- 7. Adjournment** – MOTION by VanSickle, supported by Twietmeyer, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 am.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lisa Adams
Recording Secretary*