



Attention School Board Meeting
Attendees,

Signs and display materials are not permitted inside the CVS boardroom during the meeting. We appreciate your cooperation in leaving signs at home or in your vehicle.

We appreciate your attendance tonight.

Thank you!

CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS
19120 Cass Avenue
Clinton Township, MI 48038
586-723-2000

Regular Meeting

November 11, 2024
6:30 p.m.

- A. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approve the Agenda
- D. Presentations/Recognitions
 - Veterans Day Recognition
 - Reproductive Health Update – Ms. Stephanie Lange
- E. 1. General Consent Agenda
 - a. Approve minutes of:
 - Regular Meeting Minutes held on October 21, 2024
(Minutes are posted on the district website @chippewavalleyschools.org)
 - b. Approve Financial Reports
 - c. Approve Personnel Transactions
- F. Old Business
- G. New Business
 - 1. Approve Personnel Transaction Promotion of an Administrator – Principal Algonquin Middle School
 - 2. Approve Change Order Summary Report – October 2024
 - 3. Approve MISEC Solar Purchase Agreement
 - 4. Approve Purchase of Modular Classroom
- H. Union Communications
- I. Curriculum Updates

Mr. Roberts
Mr. Sederlund
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Continued...

- J. Administrative Reports
 - Bond Update – Mr. Jeff Atkins (Executive Director, Auxiliary Services)
- K. From the Community
- L. Of and By Board Members
- M. Executive Session – *(8.b. – Student Expulsion Hearing)*
- N. Executive Session – *(8.b. – Student Expulsion Hearing)*
- O. Executive Session – *(8.c. – Negotiations)*
- P. Adjournment

Future Meetings

November 11, 2024	6:00 p.m.	Building & Site Sub-Committee Meeting
November 11, 2024	5:30 p.m.	Finance Sub-Committee Meeting
November 11, 2024	6:30 p.m.	Regular Meeting
December 9, 2024	6:30 p.m.	Regular Meeting

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**CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
Administration Building
October 21, 2024**

President Pearl called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Present: Members Aquino, Gura, King, Pearl, Wade and Wojtowicz
Absent: Member Sobah (Excused)
Also, Present: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Sederlund, Dr. Brosky, Dr. Blanchard, Mr. Sibley,
Ms. Blain, Ms. Licari, Dr. Langlands, Mr. Kava, Ms. Monnier-White
and Ms. Adlam

Roll Call taken.

MOTION #10/01/24 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Aquino to approve the agenda. **Yes all, motion carried.**

Presentations/Recognitions

- Superintendent Roberts recognized Macomb County College (MCC) instructor, Ms. Amy Garrison, who attended the board meeting with twenty-five students from Macomb Community College.
- Mr. James Pecar (CVHS Choir Director) and Ms. Olivia Ferguson (Piano Accompanist) presented a preview of the Chippewa Valley High School production of Cinderella. Students Julia Johnson and McKenzie Martin who both will be portraying Cinderella, performed musical numbers from the production. Tickets available at: www.cvhsmusicals.org

MOTION #10/02/24 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Wade to approve the General Consent Agenda to:

- Approve Regular Meeting Minutes held on September 30, 2024.
- Approve General Fund, Food Service, IAM, Childcare, Camps/Clinics Check Register in the amount of \$2,744,159.41.
- Approve Debt Fund Check Register in the amount of \$6,411,298.33.
- Approve Wire Transfers, ACH, and Payments Report in the amount of \$7,867,893.62.
- Approve 2018 Building and Site Check Register in the amount of \$503,103.00.
- Approve Building Activity Check Register in the amount of \$137,961.93.
- Approve Personnel Transactions.

Motion passes 5-1 with Member Wojtowicz voting against.

Old Business – None

MOTION #10/03/24 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Gura that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the 2018 Bond Issue Change Order Summary Report for the month of September 2024. **Yes all, motion carried.**

MOTION #10/04/24 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Wade that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education adopt a resolution recognizing October 2024 as Principal/Assistant Principal Appreciation Month. **Yes all, motion carried.**



Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education

Resolution for Principal/Assistant Principal Appreciation Month

WHEREAS, energetic and inspiring school leadership is essential to Michigan's schools in order to prepare students for success, both during their PreK-12 years and beyond; and,

WHEREAS, principals/assistant principals are entrusted with the educational development of young people and serve as educational visionaries, instructional leaders, assessment experts, community builders, facility managers, special programs administrators, and guardians of various legal, contractual, and policy mandates and initiatives; and,

WHEREAS, principals/assistant principals set the academic tone for their schools and work collaboratively with teachers and parents to develop and implement a clear mission, high curriculum standards, and performance goals; and,

WHEREAS, principals/assistant principals play a vital role in the success of students by creating school environments that facilitate great teaching and learning, as well as continuous school improvement; and,

WHEREAS, principals/assistant principals make significant contributions to the success of PreK-12 students by acting as the liaison between the school and the community it serves, ensuring that parents and the community are aware of student and school achievements; and,

WHEREAS, the celebration of Principals/Assistant Principals Month honors elementary, middle, and high school principals and recognizes the importance of school leadership in ensuring every child has access to a high-quality education; and,

WHEREAS, during this month, we join educators, parents, and students throughout Michigan to raise awareness of the importance of educational leadership and recognize and thank the hard-working principals/assistant principals in Michigan schools who set exemplary standards of service;

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education recognized the month of October 2024 as Principals Month; and honors the contributions of principals in the elementary, middle, and high schools of Chippewa Valley Schools.

Kenneth Pearl

Kenneth Pearl, Board of Education President
Chippewa Valley Schools

Ron Roberts

Ron Roberts, Superintendent
Chippewa Valley Schools

MOTION #10/05/24 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Gura that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education adopt the following Board Policies and that the reading of these polices be waived:

Policy Number	Policy Name	Updated/New
2105	Mission of the District	Updated
2112	Parents and Family Engagement	Updated
2210	Curriculum Development-Approved Courses	Updated
2261	Title 1 Services	Updated
2261.01	Parent and Family Member Participation in Title 1	Updated
2265	Child Care Center Staff and Volunteers	New Policy
2270	Religion in the Curriculum	Updated
2271	Post Secondary (Dual) Enrollment Option Program	New Policy
2411	Guidance and Counseling	New Policy
2412	Homebound Instruction Program	Updated
2414	Reproductive Health	Updated
2416	Student Privacy and Parent Access to Information	New Policy
2623	Student Assessment	New Policy
2628	State Aid Incentives	New Policy

Motion passes 5-1 with Member Wojtowicz voting against.

Union Communications – None

Curriculum Updates

Superintendent Roberts discussed the following:

- Educational Services presentation to the Curriculum Sub-Committee during the sub-committee's meeting and how informative and well done it was. It was suggested by the Curriculum Sub-Committee that this presentation be given to the full board at a future meeting.
- Presented a first edition article from the Michigan Department of Education's newsletter, English Learners, in which (Chippewa Valley Schools) is highlighted.

Administrative Reports – None

Member Ken Pearl read the following statement:

At the September 30, 2024, Board meeting, transparency was addressed during the public comment section of the meeting. Section 18 of the State School Aid Act requires specific information to be provided on the district's website in order to provide transparency to the public. Such information includes, but is not limited to, collective bargaining agreements, employee salary information, costs of health benefits, and annual audits.

As part of the district's transparency obligations, the district's auditor presented the audited financial statements at the September 30, 2024, meeting. The audit presented was considered a "clean audit" and demonstrated the district added to its fund balance. Moreover, the District's finance department was praised for the financial health of the district.

Several individual District expenditures were mentioned during public comment of the September 30, 2024, Board meeting. Statements were made that transparency is a huge issue and the community has a right to know where the district's money is going. Clearly, the community can see where money is being spent based on the district's check register. The individual expenditures that were questioned ranged in amounts from \$825.00 dollars to \$134,000.00 dollars. The District operates a budget of over \$200,000,000 dollars. Such a budget includes thousands of individual expenditures. It is impossible to provide detailed information to the community regarding each expenditure. This is precisely why the legislature requires information to be provided on the district's website. Moreover, it is why the district provides more information than is required by statute by including details of the check register that is approved after every Board meeting. The district's website where the check register is available in the Board of Education section addresses such transparency and desire to provide information to the public, and states as follows:

In our ongoing efforts to provide our community with information about our schools, we have created this easy-to-read Online Check Register. The CVS General Fund Check Register allows our taxpayers to see how the district spends its money on products and services. Checks are listed by date by the vendor and may include several payments for various purchase orders and/or check requests.

The Board is proud of the district's financial health and the management of the district's huge budget by a great finance team and central office staff that accounts for expenses which are approximately 2% lower than the state average for such expenses in other school districts. For Chippewa Valley, this amounts to roughly \$4,000,000.00 dollars that can otherwise be spent in the classroom.

The Board is committed to transparency and will continue to meet its obligations to provide information to the public. We always welcome comments at our Board meetings and wanted to provide this information in response to statements at previous meetings.

End of statement.

From the Community

- Public Comments/audience participation

Of and By Board Members

Member Gura addressed the following:

- Thanked the Chippewa Valley High School students who performed music from the production of Cinderella this evening and complimented Mr. James Pecar on how much he does for the CVHS.
- Thanked Stephanie Lange and Dr. Charlene McGunn for putting on a great 16th annual *Be Aware 5K Walk/Run to Raise Awareness for Youth Suicide Prevention* event, and complimented Member Shannon King who was one of the speakers.

Member Wojtowicz addressed the following:

- Complimented Mr. James Pecar and his team for the CVHS musical production performance of Cinderella. He encouraged everyone to see this performance.

Member King addressed the following:

- Coalition sponsored 5K walk/run for youth suicide awareness and how incredible this event was and the great message this event promoted.
- He encouraged everyone to focus on positive things in our district and our community. We need to celebrate and bring everyone and everything together. This district has great administrators, programs, and families and thinks everyone should be using positive energy to focus on all the great things this district has.
- Spoke of attending the Battle of the Bands event at CVHS. He recognized the Booster parents and volunteers who put in time and effort to coordinate the event.

Member Aquino addressed the following:

- The 16th Annual Be Aware 5K Walk/Run for Youth Suicide Prevention was a wonderfully successful event with so many people telling their message of acceptance, love, and inclusion.
- The Educational Services Department did a phenomenal job presenting to the Curriculum Sub-Committee on the guidance and support they provide for staff and students. The sub-committee recommended that they make this presentation to the full board.
- Questioned the validity of some comments made in *From the Community*, from those who are not district residents nor students.

Member Wade addressed the following:

- The Annual 5K walk/run for youth suicide prevention was a successful event and wanted to recognize the young people who participated and volunteered and how this special event recognized the need to help those in crisis. Thank you to all who participated. Also, thanks to Member King for bringing all the donuts to this event.

Member Pearl addressed the following:

- He, along with Member King, attended the CVHS volleyball game before they went to the Battle of the Bands. Both events were great.

MOTION #10/06/24 - Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member King that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session (*8.c. – Negotiations*).

A roll call vote was taken. Member Gura, yes; Member Wojtowicz, yes; Member Wade, yes; Member King, yes; Member Aquino, yes and Member Pearl, yes.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 8:26 p.m.

MOTION #10/06/24 - Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Wojtowicz to adjourn the meeting. **Yes all, motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon King, Secretary
Chippewa Valley Schools

MEMORANDUM

E.1.b FINANCIAL REPORTS for period ending 11/30/2024

Mr. Sederlund

CHECK REGISTERS

Mr. Sederlund

1. GENERAL FUND, FOOD SERVICE, IAM, CHILDCARE, CAMPS/CLINICS
(includes payroll)

Mr. Sederlund

Checks dated 10/22/2024	<u>2,243,937.57</u>
Checks dated 10/29/2024	<u>385,332.85</u>
Checks dated 11/05/2024	<u>1,169,565.56</u>
	<u>\$ 3,798,835.98</u>

2. 2018 BUILDING & SITE

Mr. Sederlund

Checks dated 11/5/2024	<u>624,256.79</u>
	<u>\$ 624,256.79</u>

3. BUILDING ACTIVITY

Mr. Sederlund

Checks dated 10/23/2024	<u>52,730.14</u>
Checks dated 10/30/2024	<u>86,257.77</u>
Checks dated 11/06/2024	<u>48,600.87</u>
	<u>\$ 187,588.78</u>

REGULAR MEETING
6:30 PM

November 11, 2024
Adam Blanchard

E.1.c. PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS

NEW HIRES

POSITION

EFFECTIVE

Kimberly Sims	Food Service Helper-CVHS	10/23/24
Joyce Tavalacci	Food Service Helper-CVHS	10/28/24
Arlinda Mucejani	Food Service Helper-CVHS	10/28/24
Julia Crnovrsanin-Garrido	Special Ed Aide-Ottawa	10/29/24
Jennifer Hughes	Food Service Helper-Seneca	11/4/24
Cindy Engelbrink	Lunchmonitor-Wyandot	11/11/24

RESIGNATIONS

POSITION

EFFECTIVE

Elizabeth Aguilar	Media Clerk-Cheyenne	10/21/24
Scott Hager	Teacher-CTE-Dakota	11/5/24
Katie Barr	Teacher-Cheyenne	12/31/24

RETIREMENTS

POSITION

EFFECTIVE

John Brent	Bus Driver	October 21, 2024
Linda Manzo	Food Service Helper	December 31, 2024

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: **John Brent** has served the Chippewa Valley School District faithfully and diligently for a period of 10 years as a Bus Driver.

WHEREAS: **John Brent**, through his leadership, has had a positive impact on the staff, students and the community.

WHEREAS: **John Brent**, a conscientious, loyal, hardworking employee has elected to retire; and

WHEREAS: **John Brent**, will be missed by all his school colleagues,

**NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED:**

that the Board of Education of the Chippewa Valley School District not only on their behalf, but also that of the Superintendent of Schools and the Administration, extend their thanks and appreciation for a job well done as well as best wishes for the future.

**BE IT FURTHER
RESOLVED:**

that this resolution, having been adopted by the Board of Education of the Chippewa Valley School District on the **11th day of November 2024** be made a permanent part of the records of this School District and a copy sent to **John Brent** as an expression of our appreciation.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: **Linda Manzo** has served the Chippewa Valley School District faithfully and diligently for a period of 21 years as a Food Service Helper/Lead Server.

WHEREAS: **Linda Manzo** through her leadership, has had a positive impact on the staff, students and the community.

WHEREAS: **Linda Manzo**, a conscientious, loyal, hardworking employee has elected to retire; and

WHEREAS: **Linda Manzo** will be missed by all her school colleagues,

**NOW, THEREFORE,
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that the Board of Education of the Chippewa Valley School District not only on their behalf, but also that of the Superintendent of Schools and the Administration, extend their thanks and appreciation for a job well done as well as best wishes for the future.

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that this resolution, having been adopted by the Board of Education of the Chippewa Valley School District on the **11th day of November 2024** be made a permanent part of the records of this School District and a copy sent to **Linda Manzo** as an expression of our appreciation.

F. Old Business

G. New Business

1. Approve Personnel Transaction Promotion of an Administrator – Principal
Algonquin Middle School
2. Approve Change Order Summary Report – October 2024
3. Approve MISEC Solar Purchase Agreement
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Mr. Roberts
Mr. Sederlund
Mr. Sederlund
Mr. Sederlund

REGULAR MEETING

November 11, 2024
6:30 p.m.

MEMORANDUM

**G.1 Approve Personnel Transaction-Promotion of an Administrator-Principal,
Algonquin Middle School Mr. Roberts**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “That the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Kristin DeLuca, to the position of Principal, Algonquin Middle School. Ms. DeLuca’s effective start date will be November 18, 2024.”

RATIONALE: Ms. DeLuca is being appointed to fill a position created from a retirement and she meets all the qualifications.

REGULAR MEETING

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MEMORANDUM

G.2 Approve Change Order Summary Report – October 2024 Mr. Sederlund

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “That the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the 2018 Bond Issue Change Order Summary Report for the month of October 2024.”

RATIONALE: This work consists of changes to existing contracts for the purpose of owner requested work, deducts, code compliance, or hidden conditions on the construction and equipment projects. All amounts are within the contingency budget allocation.

This report was reviewed with the Building and Site Sub-Committee on Monday, November 11, 2024, and funding will come from the 2018 Building and Site Fund and School Safety Grant.

CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS
2018 Bond Issue Program

CHANGE ORDER SUMMARY #52

October 2024

B.P.	PROJECT	CONTRACTOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Construction Contingency (design revision, owner request, hidden condition)				
6	Chippewa Valley High School	Contrast Mechanical	credit for balance of mechanical allowance	(\$5,385)
6	Chippewa Valley High School	DeHondt Electric	electrical work required to fix existing power supply to replacement condensing unit-7 at the auto shop	\$5,969
6	Administration Building	BJ Construction	additional (5) corner guards at conference room	\$395
Construction Contingency Subtotal:				\$979
Safety-Security Grant				
6B	Sequoyah/Shawnee	BNE Masonry	over time necessary to maintain schedule due to owner requested changes	\$6,745
6B	Sequoyah/Shawnee	BJ Construction	furnish and install new millwork demoed by others and provide door install at media center	\$7,390
6B	Sequoyah/Shawnee	BJ Construction	furnish and install plastic sill at new office windows	\$1,650
6B	Sequoyah/Shawnee	Construction Solutions	back charge for replacing cabinets	(\$7,390)
6B	Chippewa Valley 9th Grade Center	Construction Solutions	furnish and install (1) electric strike at office door at IAM wing	\$990
Safety-Security Subtotal:				\$9,385
TOTAL AMOUNT OF SUMMARY				\$10,364

Notes

*Estimated Amount

Bond Program Construction Contingency Budget:	\$3,332,658
Previous Bond Program Construction Contingency Costs:	\$901,696
Current Bond Program Construction Contingency Costs:	\$979
Transfer to cover BP4 (2022) projects	\$1,400,000
Bond Program Construction Contingency Balance:	\$1,029,983
Bond Program Contingency Balance Remaining:	30.9%
Balance of Bond Projects Remaining to Complete:	5.0%

MEMORANDUM

G.3 Approve MISEC Solar Purchase Agreement

Mr. Sederlund

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “That the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the resolution to enter into a 15-year power purchase agreement for 25% of the district’s annual electricity usage with Michigan Electric Choice Cooperative (MISEC) and that the reading of the resolution be waived.”

RATIONALE: The MISEC Solar Purchase Program would allow districts in the State to fix a portion of their electric pricing at current rates for a 15-year period thus reducing the volatility in pricing and bringing budget certainty to electric expenditures. It also allows the district to reduce its environmental impact by purchasing clean, renewable solar energy.

The district approved the purchase of 25% of the annual electricity usage on July 10, 2023, in the first solar purchase phase. This current commitment will bring the total commitment to 50% of annual electric usage.

The district has participated in the MISEC Electric Choice Program since 2003 and purchases electricity for all buildings at very favorable rates. The Electric Choice Program has saved the district over \$12.8 million (over 21%) since its inception.

Chippewa Valley Schools

RESOLUTION

The Board of Education of Chippewa Valley Schools, hereinafter referred to as the "District," resolves as follows: hereby

WHEREAS, the District is committed to reducing its environmental impact and operating costs; and

WHEREAS, solar energy is a clean, renewable source of energy that can aid the District in achieving its goals; and

WHEREAS, the District is currently a member of the Michigan Schools Energy Cooperative (MISEC) and a participant in the Michigan Schools Energy Cooperative (MISEC) Electric Choice program and MISEC has received a proposal from NorthStar Clean Energy, a CMS Energy company for the installation of an off-site solar energy system that will generate electricity for the School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District approves that MISEC, as Agent on behalf of the District, enter into a 15 year Power Purchase Agreement for 25% of the district's annual electricity usage with NorthStar Clean Energy at a fixed rate not to exceed \$0.0795/kWh for the generation and delivery of solar electricity, with commercial operation expected to begin in December, 2028.

Passed and approved this 11th day of November 2024.

Kenneth Pearl
President of the Board
Chippewa Valley Schools

REGULAR MEETING

November 11, 2024
6:30 p.m.

MEMORANDUM

G.4 Approve Purchase of Modular Classroom

Mr. Sederlund

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “That the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the purchase of one modular classroom from Mobile Modular in the amount not to exceed \$185,600.”

RATIONALE: The district is in the second year of a 3-year lease agreement with the modular classroom unit at Ottawa Elementary School. The district would like to add bathrooms to the unit and is required to own the unit in order to do so.

Funding will come from the General Fund for this purchase.



Tuesday, October 1, 2024

Chippewa School District

Purchase price for (1) 28 x 70 Mobile Modular Std classroom \$185,600.00 each

Original Purchase Price: \$240,301

Lease payment per month: \$4,603 x 13 payments = \$59,839

\$240,301 - \$59,839 = \$180,462

Kevin E Maiden
10/1/2024

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O. Executive Session (8.c. – *Negotiations*)

O. Adjournment