

- A. A work session meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Orion Community Schools, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, was called to order on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: H. Sinawi, J. Faber, S. Flaherty, B. McQuiston, J. Singer, S. Taylor

Board Members Absent: D. Bresett

Administrators Present: H. Mercer, A. Weldon, A. Curtis, D. Towlerton

Others Present: M. Ridky, M. Snyder, S. Leggett

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Approve Agenda

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Taylor, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes - all; Motion carried

D. New Certified Staff Candidate Introductions

Adam Weldon discusses four new staff members: Edie Emery (Speech Language Pathologist), Amber Hajnaki (Social Worker), Sara Mozowski (Counselor), and Hannah Win Stanley (Social Worker). None were present.

E. Public Participation Related to Action Items on the Agenda

None

F. Discussion Items

F1. Virtual Testing Days Proposal

Drew Towlerton discusses the state's reinstated policy allowing up to six virtual days for instruction, including three for state testing. Drew explains the updated application for virtual testing days, which includes flexibility for scheduling.

F2. Certified New Hire Recommendations

Presented above under D

F3. Tenure Recipients

As attached to the board agenda

G. Action Items

G1. Consent Agenda

Moved by McQuiston, seconded by Taylor, to approve the consent agenda items as presented:

a. Approve payment of the Bills in the Amount of \$10,248,488.20

b. Approve Minutes from July 29, 2026 Regular Meeting

c. Ayes - all; motion carried

d. G2. Approve Virtual Testing Days

Motion by Taylor to approve testing days proposal as presented for 2026207 school year, supported by Flaherty.

Ayes - all; motion carried.

G3. Approve Certified New Hires and Tenure List

Moved by Flaherty, seconded by Scott to approve the four new hires as presented as well as the tenure list.

Ayes - all; motion carried

H. Strategic Plan

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE: This update covers May through August 2026 work. Cabinet members reviewed progress in the goal/focus areas below. Details are noted in the attached presentation.

Academics and Programs

Learning Environment and Culture

Personnel and Leadership

Safety and Security

Communications and Community Engagement

Finance and Operations

- I. Public Participation for other Non-Action Items/Topics
Two residents spoke to the board
- J. Recap/Next steps
Continue working on Strategic Plan
- K. Closing Comments: Administrator and Board Member Items
- L. Meeting Adjournment: Administrator and Board member items were provided for and so noted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm

Board Secretary