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Mason Consolidated Schools
Meeting of the Board of Education

Regular Meeting

Pending Approval – 10/07/26
September 2, 2026

On September 2, 2026, the Mason Consolidated Schools Board of Education held a meeting in the Mason Senior IVN Room. President Otting called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: England, Fortner, Fowler, Grodi, Nehrig, Otting, Waller

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Tuller, Rymanowicz, Wright, Hammond

Pledge of Allegiance

Review/Approval of Agenda

Added Action Item O: “Recommendation to approve the attendance of Courtney Hammond at the MSBO Facilities/Operations Conference in Thompsonville, Michigan on October 4-6, 2026”.

- Motion by Waller to approve; supported by England.
- Motion carried, 7-0.

Public Comment

Public comment offered; no action taken.

Superintendent’s Report

Celebrations/Community Engagement: Kicked off the year with a great administrative retreat and opening day with staff. The administrators worked on team building and prepared for the 26-27 school year. We received great feedback on opening day from staff.

Operations:

1. The RFP for the project has been completed by TREMCO Construction Products Group and is ready to be posted as required by our policy and procedures.
2. The pre-bid meeting for the project is set for September 24, 2026, at 9:00am. The meeting will be held on site with the assistance and guidance of Luke Idoni, our TREMCO Field Advisor and Representative.
3. The bid opening is set for October 8, 2026, at 11:00am. The bids will be opened by Mason Consolidated Schools operations department representatives and Luke Idoni (TREMCO).
4. Bids will be reviewed and recommended by Mason Consolidated Schools operations department and Luke Idoni (TREMCO).
5. After review, a recommendation to the Mason Consolidated Schools board of education will be made, tentatively scheduled for the November 4, 2026 board meeting for approval.

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The RFP will include the high school roofs as the "Base Bid", as designated in the 12e grant paperwork, with an alternate bid of two additional roof areas on the high school, as well as the Middle School roof.

These alternates were included in the bid to take advantage of the possibility that the "Base Bid" will be lower than the \$3,643,940 grant award. Operations and the Business Office confirmed with the 12e Grant representative for the Michigan Department of Education Office of Health and Safety, that we would be able to include the Middle School Roof in this project as long as the bid was under the amount awarded in the 12e Grant.

Personnel and Leadership: Accepted the resignation of Willard Green, CES Resource Room teacher. Will was a tremendous asset to the CES students and team and will be greatly missed. He chose to move to another county to support students with more significant disabilities.

Donations to the District: Mike Demko: \$515 to support at-risk students and programs at Mason Middle School.

Community Engagement: Attending municipality meetings again this year. Looking for commitment from Board members to attend with administrators.

Administrative Reports

September Administrative Reports can be found on the District's website under the 'District' tab, labeled 'Reports'. <https://eriemason.k12.mi.us/reports>

Monthly Items

- Check Register: presented by President Otting; no questions.
- Financial Reports: presented by President Otting; no questions.
- The next regularly scheduled Mason Consolidated Schools Board of Education meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Mason Senior High School Library.

Consent Agenda

- Approve the August 5, 2026 Board of Education meeting minutes.
- Approve the August 2026 Check Register.
 - Motion by Fortner, supported by Grodi, to approve all items on the consent agenda.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.

Action

- A. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 adult breakfast and lunch prices.
 - Motion by England, supported by Fowler.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.

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- B. Recommendation to approve Tigra Delben, HS Special Education, pending receipt of required certification, and favorable reference, criminal history, and background checks.
- Motion by Waller, supported by Fortner.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- C. Recommendation to Stephanie Malik, HS Science.
- Motion by Grodi, supported by Nehrig.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- D. Recommendation to hire Kelly Moore, CES GSRP Aide, at \$17.91 per hour.
- Motion by England, supported by Grodi.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- E. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 Restorative Justice Coordinator contract.
- Motion by England, supported by Nehrig.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- F. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 CES/MMS Counselor contract.
- Motion by Fortner, supported by Waller.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- G. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 Student Advancement Coordinator contract.
- Motion by Grodi, supported by Nehrig.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- H. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 GSRP Teacher contract.
- Motion by Fowler, supported by Waller.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- I. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 Paraprofessional wages.
- Motion by England, supported by Grodi.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- J. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 Athletic Director stipend.
- Motion by England, supported by Fowler.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- K. Recommendation to approve 2026-2027 Technology and Media Specialist contract.
- Motion by Waller, supported by Grodi.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- L. Recommendation to approve the ratification of the Mason Transportation Association/MCS Collective Bargaining Agreement.
- Motion by Grodi, supported by Nehrig.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.

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- M. Recommendation to approve the ratification of the Erie Mason Education Association/MCS Collective Bargaining Agreement.
- Motion by Waller, supported by England.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.
- N. Recommendation to approve the attendance of Superintendent Kelli Tuller at the MASA Fall Conference in Traverse City, Michigan on September 22-25, 2026.
- Motion by Nehrig, supported by Fortner.
 - Motion carried, 6-0.
- O. Recommendation to approve the attendance of Courtney Hammond at the MSBO Facilities/Operations Conference in Thompsonville, Michigan on October 4-6, 2026.
- Motion by Waller, supported by Grodi.
 - Motion carried, 7-0.

Celebrations

- England: shared it was nice to see all of the teachers and staff coming together at the Welcome Back breakfast this week.
- Grodi: shared updates of the Safe Routes to Schools and MDOT program for creating safe ways for people to walk or bike to school. MCS will be a fiduciary for the program.
- Otting: shared excitement for the upcoming Trunk or Treat event on October 24th and called for trunk volunteers.
- Fortner: thanked the people who showed up in support of the football coach.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn the September 2, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education by England, supported by Grodi.
- Motion carried, 7-0.
- Time: 6:32pm

Rachel England, Secretary