

**MINUTES**  
**Mason Consolidated Schools**  
**Meeting of the Board of Education**

**Regular Meeting**

**Approved – 08/06/26**  
**June 17, 2026**

On June 17, 2026, the Mason Consolidated Schools Board of Education held a meeting in the Mason Senior High School Library. President Otting called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**Roll Call**

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

Board Members Absent: Fowler

Also Present: Tuller, Rymanowicz, Wright, Bates, McCain, Hammond

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Review/Approval of Agenda**

- Motion by Waller to approve agenda; supported by Nehrig
- Motion carried, 6-0

**Public Comment**

Public comment offered; no action taken.

**Recognition**

Staff Member of the Month, sponsored by Leski Wittman Insurance Agency

- Kara Davis, Central Elementary, was nominated by staff and honored by Leski Wittman Insurance Agency as the MCS Staff Member of the Month.

**Budget Hearing**

2025-2026 Budget Adjustments & Narrative

- Recommendation to adopt the resolution authorizing 2025-2026 Budget Adjustments
- Motion by Waller, supported by Grodi
- Motion carried, 6-0

2026-2027 Budget & Narrative

- Recommendation to adopt the 2026-2027 Budget Resolution
- Motion by Grodi, supported by Nehrig
- Motion carried, 6-0

**Superintendent's Report**

Celebrations

Proud to announce that our very own Accounting Assistant, Amanda Pena, earned her School Payroll Specialist Certification from MSBO and also an Associates of Applied

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Science Degree both last month. Amanada is an invaluable part of the Business Office and her professionalism and skills are second to none. Congratulations to Amanda!

Academics and Programs

Safety City started this week with a total of 35 kiddos between 2 sessions.

Personnel and Leadership

Accepted the resignation of Shawna Lucarelli, HS Math teacher who took a job at Springfield Schools as an Assistant Principal. We are extremely saddened to see Shawna go, but are so proud of her for her new position. Shawna is a testament to how the district supports building leadership capacity as she worked with all administration and HS staff to increase her knowledge in the field and was even the admin in charge on a variety of dates. She completed the MASSP pathway program and last summer attended MSU leadership conference. (read her letter)

Operations

Next weekend is the scheduled demolition of the visitor side football bleachers.

Trane Technologies is currently paused as the team is trying to decide how to best tackle addressing concerns with old wiring and corrosion of lines in the tunnel.

Community Engagement

Food bags will be distributed starting next week with 138 kiddos currently signed up.

Donations to the District

\$500 to Safety City from Erie Township

**Administrative Reports**

June 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, July 8, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Mason Senior High School Library.

**Consent Agenda**

- Recommendation to approve the May 8, 2026 Board of Education Meeting Minutes.
  - Motion by Waller, supported by Nehrig.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.

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**Action**

- Recommendation to approve the hire of Rachel Major, Elementary Educator, at Step 10 BA, pending receipt of favorable criminal history, reference and background checks, and receipt of required teaching certificate.
  - Motion by England, supported by Grodi.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.
- Recommendation to approve the 2026-2027 MHSAA Membership.
  - Motion by England, supported by Fortner.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.
- Recommendation to approve the purchase of utilization of GoFan for all athletic ticket sales.
  - Motion by Fortner, supported by Grodi.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.
- Recommendation to approve Leidel Power Cleaning and Painting for MS CTE Shop painting.
  - Motion by England, supported by Waller.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.
- Recommendation to approve Monroe Plumbing and Heating for mechanical upgrades in the MS CTE Shop.
  - Motion by Waller, supported by Nehrig.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.
- Recommendation to approve purchase of dust collector for the MS CTE Shop.
  - Motion by England, supported by Grodi.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.
- Recommendation to approve flooring upgrades in the MS CTE Shop.
  - Motion by Waller, supported by Fortner.
  - Motion carried, 6-0.

**Celebrations**

Jamie Otting shared that the local Race 4 the Kids event went well, with the biggest turnout yet. Otting also shared appreciation for Morin Point Fire Dept for coming out to Field Day. Melissa Fortner shared thanks to all of the community members who came to the meeting to support Angie Gerber.

Mike Grodi shared updates on the sewer lines in the road in Erie.

Rachel England shared that it was nice to see everyone come out for the MURPH exercise event and that it was for a good cause.

**President Otting declared a recess at 7:33pm. The meeting reconvened at 7:40pm.**

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**Closed Session 1**

Section 8 (2): For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing.

- Motion to enter closed session by England, supported by Waller.

| <b>Roll Call:</b> | <b>Yes</b>                          | <b>No</b>                | <b>Absent</b>                       |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| England           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Fortner           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Fowler            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Grodi             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Nehrig            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Otting            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Waller            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

- Motion carried, 6-0.
- Time: 7:41pm

**Open Session Resumed, 8:40pm**

**Closed Session 2**

Section 8 (a): To consider the dismissal, suspension, or discipline of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, or to consider a periodic evaluation of, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent, if the named person requests a closed hearing.

- Motion to enter closed session by England, supported by Waller.

| <b>Roll Call:</b> | <b>Yes</b>                          | <b>No</b>                | <b>Absent</b>                       |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
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| Fortner           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Fowler            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Grodi             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Nehrig            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Otting            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Waller            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

- Motion carried, 6-0.
- Time: 8:42pm

**Open Session Resumed, 10:18pm**

**Approve Closed Session Minutes**

**Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn the June 17, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education by Fortner, supported by Waller.

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- Motion carried, 6-0.
- Time: 10:18pm

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*Rachel England, Board Secretary*