

Minutes of Regular Meeting September 14, 2026

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Ken Armbrustmacher at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Ken Armbrustmacher, Dave Kudwa, Mark Palmer, Stacie Rulison

II. Welcome and Introductions - President Armbrustmacher conducted the introduction of Board

Members, Administrators, and Guests: Scott Koenigsknecht, Renee Thelen, Karmen Hungerford, Christy Callahan, Rich Koenigsknecht, Emily Palmatier, Jennifer Smith Lori Schulte, Ken Lounds, Vicki O'Rourke, Amber Creech

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Rulison, supported by Palmer, that the September 14, 2026 Agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Palmer, supported by Rulison, that the Board approve the minutes of the August 3, 2026 Regular Board meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Communication to the Board

Written Communication: None

Comments and Concerns of Citizens Present: None

VI. Consent Agenda

Motion by Rulison, supported by Palmer, that the Consent Agenda be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

- Payment of Bills for July 2026: \$3,906,450.88
- Revenue & Expenditure Reports and Cash Analysis and Investment Report for July 2026
- Resignations: Courtney Buck, Leanna Fish, Lynn Bahena, Anthony Strevett
- Work Based Learning Student Assistant Resignations: Harper Grams, Amaria Fincher
- Non-Renewal of Contract: Rachel Tabron
- Travel – Pre-Approval
 - Valerie Vandlen, Elizabeth Hill - "National PBIS Forum", Rosemont, IL, Oct. 22-23, 2026
 - Sam Patton, Wen Tracy - "MiMTSS Annual Conference", Lansing, MI, Nov. 18-20, 2026
 - Kate Fanelli, Kelsey Brewer - "ATIA Annual Conference", Orlando, FL, January 21-24, 2027
 - Kimberly St. Martin, Amy Basket - "The Reading League Conference 2026", Chicago, IL, September 29-October 2, 2026
 - Anna Harms, Kimberly St. Martin, Jessica Daily - "SPDG National Meeting", Washington, DC, October 13-15, 2026
 - Joan Firestone - "Strong Beginnings Site Visits" Menominee ISD, November 4-5, 2026
- Travel – Post Approval
 - Kelsey Brewer – "Camp Alex", Empire, CO, July 15-31, 2026
 - Kimberly St. Martin – "International MTSS Association Global Summit", San Francisco, CA, July 29-August 1, 2026
- 2026-2027 Karoub Legislative Services
- 2026-2027 CCRESA Employee Handbook
- 2026-2027 Special Education Service Contract with Ingham ISD Teacher Consultant for Visually Impaired, Orientation & Mobility Specialist, Teacher Consultant for Deaf/Hard of Hearing, and Educational Audiologist
- Anthony Strevett – Temporary Speech & Language Services through October 31, 2026
- Katy Graham from temporary to permanent part-time Speech & Language Pathologist
- Renaming the full-time AAC Consultant/SLP position to AAC Coach

- Interagency Cash Transfer Agreement between Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS) to enhance and improve the provision of vocational rehabilitation services to individuals who meet MRS eligibility for a total of \$74,074 (CCRESA contribution is \$20,000) for the period of October 1, 2026 - September 30, 2027
- Contract with Andi McGuire for part-time School Social Work coverage for an unfilled vacancy
- Renewal of our contract with Michigan State University for the provision of Music Therapy for the 2026-2027 school year
- School Transition to Work Contract between Peckham and Clinton County Regional Educational Service Agency for school-to-work services and youth training wages for the 2026-2027 school year
- Agreement with Teall Educational Consulting, LLC for the provision of services provided by Kristi Teall for Michigan International Prep School October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027
- MiMTSS Contracts
 - Michigan Digital - \$39,955
 - MAISA - \$33,000
 - Dr. Pam Kastner, Ed. D. - \$30,000
 - KRESA Print Center - \$75,000
 - Ottawa Area ISD - \$50,000
 - Dr. Sharon Vaughn, PhD - \$18,000
 - Dr. Liz Stephens, PhD - \$18,000
- CIMS Contracts
 - Public Sector Consultants: A 12 month contract to be issued by CCRESA at the direction of MDE related to monitoring/technical assistance for the Continuous Improvement Monitoring System Grant for \$3,706,176
 - Jason Donoghue - \$18,450
 - Shawn Sargent - \$67,600
 - Stacey Pardee - \$97,500
 - Charles Staky - \$97,500
 - Jason Donoghue - \$97,500
 - William Vliek - \$97,500
- Alt+Shift Contracts
 - Marquette Alger MOU - \$58,500
 - Jason Bibbings - \$25,000
 - Brad Rose Consulting - \$35,000
 - Judy Falk - \$15,000
- Agreement with InformedK12 to transform district-level operations by connecting complex forms and workflows across departments
- Maid to Clean Services rate increase for Educational Center
- Agreement with TORSH for 3 years access to TORSH Talent access for 109 additional users, to be paid up front at a cost of \$52,151.97 for the Early On Workforce Coaching TORSH Talent Pilot

VII. Board of Education Report

- Superintendent Koenigsknecht provided the CCRESA Staffing Report for August 2026 and shared Departmental Highlights
- The video from Opening Day 2026 was viewed
- The Board set a date for the Fall Board Retreat – November 2, 2026 following the Regular Board Meeting
- Rich Koenigsknecht provided an Educational Center Renovation Budget Report to the Board
- Annie's Big Nature Lesson Annual Report was shared with the Board

VIII. Recommendations from the Superintendent and/or Action

- Motion by Rulison, supported by Kudwa, that the Board approve two new Behavior Mental Health Intern positions to be paid according to Schedule A in the Compensation Manual. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Palmer, supported by Rulison, that the Board approve Ross Pope for the Construction Trades Work-Based Learning and Instructional Support Coordinator position, in compliance with Board Policy 3120; to be paid at a daily rate of \$450 per day. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion Rulison, supported by Kudwa, that the Board approve Karen Stutzman for the Allied Health Work-Based Learning and Instructional Support Coordinator position, in compliance with Board Policy 3120; to be paid at a daily rate of \$450 per day. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Kudwa, supported by Rulison, that the Board approve Mellisa Vandorp as Paraprofessional for the 2026-2027 school year, in compliance with Board Policy 4120; to be paid according to the Paraprofessional Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Palmer, supported by Rulison, that the Board approve Joan Straw for a part-time School Social Work position for the 2026-2027 school year, in compliance with Board Policy 3120; paid according to the Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Palmer, supported by Rulison, that the Board approve Alayna Rios for a Speech & Language Pathologist position for the 2026-2027 school year, in compliance with Board Policy 3120; paid according to the Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Kudwa, supported by Palmer, that the Board approve Ashley Faivor as Payroll and Benefits Specialist, in compliance with Board Policy 3120; to be paid according to the Compensation Manual. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Rulison, supported by Palmer, that the Board approve Korey Vermillion as Business Office Specialist, in compliance with Board Policy 3120; to be paid according to the Compensation Manual. Motion carried unanimously.
- Motion by Palmer, supported by Rulison, that the Board approve the revised ECSE Calendar (Educational Center classrooms only) as presented? Motion carried unanimously.

IX. Other Matters for Possible Discussion/Action

- Motion by Palmer, supported by Rulison, that the September 14, 2026 Regular Board of Education Meeting be adjourned at 5:29 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Kudwa, Secretary

Lori Schulte, Recording Secretary