

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Genest at 4:00 p.m.
Members Present: Genest, Hubler, Farley, White and Schulte.
Members Absent: None.

Administrators Present: DeVault, Bodiya, Michalak, Rilley and Frank.

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

1. The Agenda was accepted and moved by White, supported by Schulte. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

INTERESTING THINGS

The Lutz staff will compete against the Class of 2026 on February 20th in the school's annual staff versus completer basketball game. The school held an all-school assembly to recognize students who participated in the Special Olympics Winter Games. Students proudly shared their achievements from snowshoeing, downhill skiing, and cross-country skiing events. The assembly was emceed by Ms. Marina, and the honored students were prominently featured during a slideshow presentation. Lutz will hold it's Valentine's Dance for students and staff in the gym during the last hour of the day on February 12th.

Maple Lane is having a Valentine's Dance Party on Friday afternoon.

OPEN MEETINGS
COMPLIANCE

President Genest asked patrons wishing to be heard to fill out a form for that purpose and submit it to Mr. White. Three minutes per person would be allowed under Section II, A.

MEL MILLER AWARD

Sean McBrady, ISD Consultant, shared the winner of the Mel Miller award. The award was established in memory of long-time Macomb County educator Mel Miller who south to teach students the highest level of personal involvement in the pursuit of equality for others. It is designed to focus on the important role of education in helping students "rise beyond the horizon" in vision and in action as they become the future citizens of the world. This year's award winner is Ms. Laurene McDougall an English Learner Director/Federal and State Programs Coordinator at Center Line Public Schools. Ms. McDougall is a powerful advocate for inclusion and access. She has worked intentionally to remove barriers for families by helping create a full-time, districtwide interpreter role, expanding meaningful family engagement, and ensuring communication is respectful, personal and culturally responsive. Students describe feeling, seen, heard and valued because of her. Through her leadership, Laurene has unified her department, strengthened school culture, and elevated opportunities for multilingual learners across Center Line Public Schools.

Sara Loveridge, Mel Miller's daughter, also added that they want every child heard and appreciated. We are here for students, and they do have a voice so thank you for everything you do.

Laurenne McDougall thanked everyone for the honor and introduced her parents. She added that we share most when we are surrounded by light. I am honored to stand amongst this fine group of leaders.

Board members praised the award winner and thanked the Board members and Superintendent from Center Line Public Schools.

PARTNERSHIPS & SUPPORT DISTRICTS

Barbara VanSweden, ISD Consultant provided an update on our partnerships and support districts. Federal law requires states to identify schools needing further support and improvement. MDE has defined three categories of support and improvement: 1) Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)- schools are identified every three years, 2) Additional Targeted Support (ATS)- schools are identified every six years, and 3) Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI)- schools are identified annually. Macomb currently has 16 CSI schools and 2 ATS schools.

To qualify for a CSI 3-year Partnership Agreement (PA) schools have to meet the following criteria: school is in the bottom 5% of schools in Michigan; or is a high school with a four-year graduation rate of 67% or less; or was an identified school with a Partnership Agreement in the previous cohort but did not meet the exit criteria; or was identified as an Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school but did not meet the exit criteria so now qualifies for a Partnership Agreement.

The Macomb ISD provides support to identified districts/school by hosting data digs with facilitators of Continuous Improvement (FCI) Consultants and Data Assessment Consultants; individual district appointments with Superintendents and designees hosted by Dr. Alesia Flye to develop 18-month and 36-month partnership goals; and support from the MISD assigned Implementation Facilitators to each district with identified schools.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Moved by Schulte, supported by Hubler, to approve the February 11, 2026 Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

LUTZ SCHOOL 2026 RENOVATION PROJECT

3. Justin Michalak, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education, reported that we need to take care of the Lutz building as the population is changing. The shop orientation no longer fits our population so classrooms will be built from that space.

Moved by White, supported by Schulte, to authorize Administration to contract for Lutz School renovation to Spartan Construction Group, Inc., as recommended by Paul Bodiya, Chris Frank and Sal Pellerito in an amount not to exceed \$1,686,000.00. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

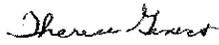
SPECIAL REPORTS AND
FUTURE BUSINESS

Superintendent DeVault reported that given conflicting schedules, the February 25, 2026, Board meeting may be canceled, or the time may be changed to 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

4. Moved by White, supported by Farley, to adjourn. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.



Theresa Genest, President



Brian White, Secretary

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