The Board of Education of the Public Schools of Calumet, Laurium and Keweenaw held its regular monthly meeting on October 13, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board of Education Room.

Present, were members Phyllis Locatelli, Jason Wickstrom, Daniel Zubiena, Philip Halonen and James Vertin. Absent were Melanie Parker and Adam Loukus. Also present were Joel Asiala, Superintendent, Amy Maki, Chief Financial Officer, Jennifer Peters, Calumet High School Principal, Troy Reuter, Washington Middle School Principal and Darren Kinnunen, Horizons Alternative High School Principal.

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Vertin) unanimous decision, minutes from previous meetings were approved.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Halonen) unanimous decision, the bills were approved to be paid. The General Fund bills were $307,445.70, Athletic bills were $13,737.32, Cafeteria bills were $9,607.34, and Community Service bills were $343.79 for a total of all invoices of $331,134.15.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as read on motion, seconded (Halonen-Wickstrom) unanimous decision. The General Fund showed a bank balance of $1,770,760.27, plus a Money Market of $2,167,087.70, less outstanding checks of ($165,498.94), less a Transfer in Transit (ORS) of ($131,482.30), for a total General Fund balance as of September 30, 2026, of $3,640,866.73.

The Athletic Account showed a bank balance as of September 30, 2026, of $55,718.60, for a total Athletic Fund of $55,718.60.

The Cafeteria Fund showed a balance of $41,845.25, for a total School Service Fund balance of $97,563.85.

The Bond Debt Retirement Fund showed a bank balance of $2,355,107.45, for a total Bond Debt Retirement Fund balance as of September 30, 2026, of $2,355,107.45.

Jim Rautiola, CCISD Superintendent presented to the Board regarding the Special Education Millage.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the meeting.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Halonen) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the dates for Baccalaureate and Commencement Services for Calumet High School and Horizons High School:

Baccalaureate Service	Thurs., May 27, 2027 - 7:00 p.m.
Commencement Service	Fri., May 28, 2027 - 7:00 p.m. (CHS)
Commencement Service	Thurs., June 3, 2027 - 6:00 p.m. (Horizons)
Commencement Service	Thurs., June 3, 2027 - 4:00 p.m. (U.P.V.A.)

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education declared the week of October 12-16, 2026, as National School Lunch Week and commended CLK's food service staff for all their efforts.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Wickstrom) unanimous decision, the Board of Education declared October 2026 as Principals Month.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Halonen) unanimous decision, the Board of Education extended appreciation to Heather Hainault for her successful $648 grant from

DonorsChoose.org to provide "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" books for each student in the 4th grade.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated CLK Virtual/U.P.V.A. senior, Dallas Bekkala on placing 4th in the Automotive Service Technology Division of the National Skills USA competition held in Atlanta, GA.

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Zubiena) unanimous decision, the Board of Education extended appreciation to Mrs. Joan Steck for her donation of $5000 to the WMS English Department.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education appointed Carol Impola to the Library Advisory Board for a term of two years.

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Wickstrom) unanimous decision, the Board of Education resolved to opt in and accept the Section 31aa Mental Health Funding for fiscal year 2026-2027.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the contract with U.P. Engineers and Architects as presented for the 2026 bond construction project and authorized Mr. Joel Asiala or his designee, to execute the contract subject to review and approval by the District's legal counsel.

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Wickstrom) unanimous decision, the Board of Education extended appreciation to Mr. Ben Campioni for his donation of $12,000 toward the CLK Gymnasium Scoreboard.

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Halonen) unanimous decision, the Board of Education

extended appreciation to Range Bank for their donation of $6,000 toward the CLK Gymnasium Scoreboard.

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Wickstrom) unanimous decision, the Board of Education extended appreciation to the Keweenaw Health Foundation for their donation of $12,000 toward the CLK Gymnasium Scoreboard.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Zubiena) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved Family Medical Leave for childcare under Article 18, Section E of the CEA Contract for CLK Elementary School teacher, Mrs. Tristan Taavola.

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Zubiena) unanimous decision, the Board of Education appointed John D. Loukus to the Assistant Facilities Director position effective October 26, 2026.

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the course catalog for the CLK Virtual Center/U.P. Virtual Academy.

Building Principals updated the Board on "what's happening" in their buildings.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Vertin) Halonen abstained, the Board of Education appointed Marybeth Halonen to JV girls' basketball coach position for the 2026-2027 season.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Halonen) unanimous decision, the Board of Education appointed Josh Frantti to the Assistant Varsity Hockey coach position for the 2026-2027 season.

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Halonen) unanimous decision, the Board of

Education adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Phyllis M. Locatelli
President

Melanie J. Parker
Secretary