The Board of Education of the Public Schools of Calumet, Laurium and Keweenaw held its regular monthly meeting on September 8, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board of Education Room.

Present were members: Phyllis Locatelli, Melanie Parker, Daniel Zubiena, Adam Loukus and James Vertin. Absent were Jason Wickstrom and Philip Halonen. Also present were Joel Asiala, Superintendent; Amy Maki, Chief Financial Officer; Jennifer Peters, Calumet High School Principal; Troy Reuter, Washington Middle School Principal; Julie Giachino, CLK Elementary School Principal; and Daniel Giachino, Director of Virtual Programs.

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

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Loukus) unanimous decision, the bills were approved to be paid. The General Fund bills were $277,273.25, Athletic bills were $9,942.28, Cafeteria bills were $32,015.66, Community Service bills were $$2,282.53, and Public Service Fund bills were $10,000.00 for a total of all invoices of $331,513.72.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as read on motion, seconded (Vertin-Parker) unanimous decision. The General Fund showed a bank balance of $999,309.28, plus a Money Market of $2,560,135.10, plus a CD Balance (Restricted) of $89,074.26, less outstanding checks of ($166,736.00), less a Transfer in Transit (ORS) of ($111,797.71) for a total General Fund balance as of August 31, 2026, of $3,369,984.93.

The Athletic Account showed a bank balance as of August 31, 2026, of $56,819.20, for a total Athletic Fund of $56,819.20.

The Cafeteria Fund showed a balance of $122,618.18, for a total School Service Fund balance of $179,437.38.

The Bond Debt Retirement Fund showed a bank balance of $1,530,338.73, for a total Debt Retirement Fund balance as of August 31, 2026, of $1,530,338.73.

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

On motion, seconded (Loukus-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed their appreciation to Horace Mann Insurance for sponsoring our PD Day Meals on August 31st and September 1st.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Parker) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Delegating the Sale of Bonds.

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Loukus) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed their congratulations and appreciation to GSRP Instructor Stephanie Kesti for obtaining a Keweenaw Health Foundation Grant in the amount of $25,000 for the Early Childhood Playground.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Loukus) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the Employee Assistance Program with Great Lakes Recovery Center for the 2026-2027 school year.

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Parker) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed their appreciation to Susan Keffer on behalf of the Estate of Bill Ivey for the

generous donation of $54,000 to the Public Library.

On motion, seconded (Loukus-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education adopted the Educator Merit Pay Policy for the 2026-2027 school year.

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Parker) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved signature authority to District C.F.O. Amy Maki and Board Treasurer, Daniel Zubiena for the savings account at Incredible Bank.

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

Informational items submitted to the Board for review and discussion:

-Athletic Staff for 2026-2027

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Zubiena) unanimous decision, the Board of Education adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Phyllis K. Locatelli
President

Melanie J. Parker
Secretary