

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16th, 2026
Board Meeting Minutes



GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

September, 16 2026 Board Meeting

a. Roll Call 2026 Board

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Here	Absent
Mrs. Keiper	Here	Absent
Mr. Lair	Here	Absent
Mr. Mann	Here	Absent
Mr. Miller	Here	Absent
Mr. Sanchez	Here	Absent
Mr. Welty	Here	Absent



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-49(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the June 17, 2026 Board meeting minutes.

MOTION: Mr. Lair

SECOND: Mrs. Keiper

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain

Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-50(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the July 15, 2026 Board meeting minutes.

MOTION: *Mr. Miller*

SECOND: *Mr. Sanchez*

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain

Mr. Miller	<u>Yes</u>	No	<u>Abstain</u>
Mr. Sanchez	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

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**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

RESOLUTION # 26- 13- (B)

Financial Transactions

July, 26

Be it resolved that the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities at its board meeting dated 9/16/2026 approved the following purchase order certifications and financial transactions for the General Operating, Donation, Residential, and Construction Funds (accounts with no activity not shown).

Operating Fund (2027)

Payroll and Related Encumbrances:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Pay Dates:</u> 7/10, 7/24
501 - Salaries	\$ 266,062.72	
502 - Medicare	\$ 3,718.71	
504 - PERS	\$ 36,182.48	
505 - Workers Comp	\$ -	
506 - Unemployment	\$ -	
507 - STRS	\$ 1,098.97	
	<u>\$ 307,062.88</u>	

Purchase Orders:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Number</u>
BROWN, MICHELLE	2063	\$ 8,000.00	Transportation	2026-00002898
GEAUGA COUNTY BLANKE12027		\$ 9,500.00	Benefits Coverage	2026-00002828
GEAUGA COUNTY BLANKE12027		\$ 45,000.00	Contracted Services	2026-00003028
MAGBIE, KHALILAH	2027	\$ 1,000.00	Travel Expenses, Other	2026-00002830
TIERNEY, ROBYN AMELIA	2027	\$ 1,000.00	Travel Expenses, Other	2026-00003016

\$ 64,500.00

MOTION:

SECOND:

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain

Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain



President

BY OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE BOARD

9/16/2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

RESOLUTION # 26- 14- (B)

Voucher Approval - July, 26

BE IT RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule
171,910.42

26 14 - O with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 07/01/26	PERIOD 7/1/26-7/31/26	YTD		
503 Hospitalization	981,000.00	434,999.22	70,081.14	505,080.36	475,919.64	51%
601 Contract Services	349,908.49	105,777.03	26,771.67	132,548.60	217,359.89	38%
608 Software Services	133,000.00	57,324.30	3,380.00	60,704.30	72,295.70	46%
701 Materials and Supplies	117,844.35	28,223.68	(1,308.10)	26,915.58	90,928.77	23%
801 Equipment	86,109.99	23,639.60	12,869.07	36,508.67	49,601.32	42%
901 Other	464,868.74	275,939.00	633.63	276,572.63	188,296.11	59%
902 Travel	110,196.65	28,611.25	7,658.25	36,269.50	73,927.15	33%
903 Advertising	100,000.00	29,550.20	-	29,550.20	70,449.80	30%
908 Utilities	190,000.00	65,958.25	3,473.93	69,432.18	120,567.82	37%
940 Lease Expenses	437,285.00	49,851.91	48,350.93	98,202.84	339,082.16	22%
999 Transfers Out	12,527,400.00	4,500,000.00	-	4,500,000.00	8,027,400.00	36%
TOTAL	15,497,613.22	5,599,874.44	171,910.42	5,771,784.86	9,725,828.36	37%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

26 14 - D with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 07/01/26	PERIOD 7/1/26-7/31/26	YTD		
901 Other Expenses	2,500.00	-	-	-	2,500.00	0%
TOTAL	2,500.00	-	-	-	2,500.00	0%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

26 14 - R with expenditures totaling

270,866.00

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 07/01/26	PERIOD 7/1/26-7/31/26	YTD		
601 Service Contracts	12,271,666.40	4,164,102.53	270,866.00	4,434,968.53	7,836,697.87	36%
TOTAL	12,271,666.40	4,164,102.53	270,866.00	4,434,968.53	7,836,697.87	36%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

26 14 - C with expenditures totaling

33,963.12

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 07/01/26	PERIOD 7/1/26-7/31/26	YTD		
601 Service Contracts	136,127.79	49,692.79	33,963.12	83,655.91	52,471.88	61%
TOTAL	136,127.79	49,692.79	33,963.12	83,655.91	52,471.88	61%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

26 14 - F with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 07/01/26	PERIOD 7/1/26-7/31/26	YTD		
999 Transfers Out	200,000.00	-	-	-	200,000.00	0%
TOTAL	200,000.00	-	-	-	200,000.00	N/A

MOTION:

SECOND:

DISCUSSION:

Roll Call:

Mrs. Bennett Yes No Abstain
Mrs. Kelper Yes No Abstain
Mr. Lair Yes No Abstain
Mr. Mann Yes No Abstain

Mr. Miller Yes No Abstain
Mr. Sanchez Yes No Abstain
Mr. Welty Yes No Abstain

President

BY OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE BOARD

9/16/2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

RESOLUTION # 26- 15- (B)

Financial Transactions

August, 26

Be it resolved that the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities at its board meeting dated 9/16/2026 approved the following purchase order certifications and financial transactions for the General Operating, Donation, Residential, and Construction Funds (accounts with no activity not shown).

Operating Fund (2027)

Payroll and Related Encumbrances:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Pay Dates:</u> 8/7, 8/21
501 - Salaries	\$ 288,339.47	
502 - Medicare	\$ 4,063.52	
504 - PERS	\$ 37,144.38	
505 - Workers Comp	\$ -	
506 - Unemployment	\$ -	
507 - STRS	\$ 1,211.00	
	<u>\$ 330,758.37</u>	

Purchase Orders:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Number</u>
GEAUGA COUNTY BLANKE	12027	\$ 28,421.80	Software Services	2026-00003432

\$ 28,421.80

MOTION:

Mr. Lair

SECOND:

Mr. Miller

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain

Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain


President

BY OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE BOARD

9/16/2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

RESOLUTION # 26- 16- (B)

Voucher Approval - August, 26

BE IT RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule
176,699.22

26 16 - O with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 08/01/26	PERIOD 8/1/2026-8/31/2026	YTD		
503 Hospitalization	981,000.00	505,080.36	75,178.04	580,258.40	400,741.60	59%
601 Contract Services	349,908.49	132,548.60	28,626.70	161,174.30	188,734.19	46%
608 Software Services	133,000.00	60,704.30	2,365.47	63,069.77	69,930.23	47%
701 Materials and Supplies	117,844.35	26,915.58	(106.72)	26,808.86	91,035.49	23%
801 Equipment	86,109.99	36,508.67	424.44	36,933.11	49,176.88	43%
901 Other	464,868.74	276,572.63	-	276,572.63	188,296.11	59%
902 Travel	110,196.65	36,269.50	8,344.94	44,614.44	65,582.21	40%
903 Advertising	100,000.00	29,550.20	11,814.73	41,364.93	58,635.07	41%
908 Utilities	190,000.00	69,432.18	6,111.07	75,543.25	114,456.75	40%
940 Lease Expenses	437,285.00	98,202.84	43,841.55	142,044.39	295,240.61	32%
999 Transfers Out	12,527,400.00	4,500,000.00	-	4,500,000.00	8,027,400.00	36%
TOTAL	15,497,613.22	5,771,784.86	176,599.22	5,948,384.08	9,549,229.14	38%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule 26 16 - D with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 08/01/26	PERIOD 8/1/2026-8/31/2026	YTD		
901 Other Expenses	2,500.00	-	-	-	2,500.00	0%
TOTAL	2,500.00	-	-	-	2,500.00	0%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule 205,395.67
26 16 - R with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 08/01/26	PERIOD 8/1/2026-8/31/2026	YTD		
601 Service Contracts	12,271,666.40	4,434,968.53	205,395.67	4,640,364.20	7,631,302.20	38%
TOTAL	12,271,666.40	4,434,968.53	205,395.67	4,640,364.20	7,631,302.20	38%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule 26 16 - C with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 08/01/26	PERIOD 8/1/2026-8/31/2026	YTD		
601 Service Contracts	136,127.79	83,655.91	-	83,655.91	52,471.88	61%
TOTAL	136,127.79	83,655.91	-	83,655.91	52,471.88	61%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule 26 16 - F with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2026 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 08/01/26	PERIOD 8/1/2026-8/31/2026	YTD		
999 Transfers Out	200,000.00	-	-	-	200,000.00	0%
TOTAL	200,000.00	-	-	-	200,000.00	N/A

MOTION:

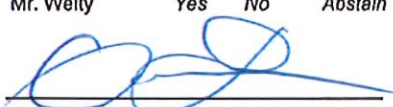
SECOND:

DISCUSSION:

Roll Call:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain

Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain


President

BY OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE BOARD

9/16/2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-51(A)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5126.032, the Ethics Council of the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities on ~~July 15th~~ ^{Sept 16th}, 2026, has conducted a review of the following direct services contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Ethics Council hereby certifies to the Board the following recommendations:

A Locally Funded Services Agreement with Denise Hagan, in an amount of \$3,500.00 for HPC, HPC Transportaion, & NMT services. ☒ Approved ☐ Disapproved

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities approves the above listed contract,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION:

Mrs. Keiper

SECOND:

Mr. Sanchez

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett
Mrs. Keiper
Mr. Lair
Mr. Mann

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

No Abstain
No Abstain
No Abstain
No Abstain

Mr. Miller

Yes
Yes

No Abstain

Mr. Sanchez

Yes

No Abstain

Mr. Welty

Yes

No Abstain



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-52(A)

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the annual 2027 budget; and

WHEREAS, operational needs may require adjustments to appropriations within the approved budget; and

WHEREAS, cash transfers between funds may be required intermittently throughout the year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2027 Budget as discussed in the September 16th, 2026 Board meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is authorized to:

1. Make appropriation transfers and cash transfers as necessary, provided such transfers do not exceed the total budget amounts approved by the Board.
2. Report all such transfers to the Board at the next regular meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION: *Mr. Lair*

SECOND: *Mr. Mann*

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain				



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-53(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Locally Funded Services Agreements with:

- LaDawn Nicole Mallory, in an amount of \$5,000.00 for HPC, HPC Transportation, & NMT services
- Consumer Support Services Inc., in an amount of \$3,500.00 for HPC, & HPC Transportation services

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve Locally Funded Services Agreement Addendums with:

- Access Supportive Actions, in an amount of \$45,000.00 for HPC, HPC Transportation, NMT, & ADS/Vocab
- OHIOGUIDESTONE, in an amount of \$25,000.00 for Community Employment services
- Brittany Residential, Inc., in an amount of \$15,000.00 for HPC, HPC Transportation, & ADS/Vocab services
- The Perfect Choice Residential & Transportation Services LLC., in an amount of \$9,000.00 for NMT, & ADS/Vocab services
- Heather Mushrush, in an amount of \$3,000.00 for NMT services

MOTION:

Mr. Lair

SECOND:

Mrs. Keiper

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett
Mrs. Keiper
Mr. Lair
Mr. Mann

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

No
No
No
No

Abstain
Abstain
Abstain
Abstain

Mr. Miller

Yes
Yes
Yes

No
No
No

Abstain
Abstain
Abstain

Mr. Sanchez

Mr. Welty



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-54(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve changes to the following Board job description:

- Employment First Manager

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION:

Mr. Sanchez

SECOND:

Mrs. Bennett

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett

Yes

No

Abstain

Mrs. Keiper

Yes

No

Abstain

Mr. Lair

Yes

No

Abstain

Mr. Mann

Yes

No

Abstain

Mr. Miller

Yes

No

Abstain

Mr. Sanchez

Yes

No

Abstain

Mr. Welty

Yes

No

Abstain


BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

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GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-55(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the list of disposal of assets due to the items being unusable, broken, or outdated:

- 2 AED Devices
- 2 Dell Laptops
- 1 monitor
- 1 iPhone 16e

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION: Mr. Miller

SECOND: Mr. Lair

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain				



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

September 16, 2026

Resolution: 26-56(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Board Policy and Procedure Chapter 4 Early Intervention.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION: *Mr. Mann*

SECOND: *Mrs. Keiper*

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<i>Yes</i>	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<i>Yes</i>	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	<i>Yes</i>	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	<i>Yes</i>	No	Abstain

Mr. Miller	<i>Yes</i>	No	Abstain
Mr. Sanchez	<i>Yes</i>	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain



BOARD PRESIDENT September 16, 2026

**GEAUGA COUTNY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITES**

Board Meeting Agenda

For September 16, 2026

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call: 6:50pm**
 - a. Roll Call 2026 Board
 - b. Approval of Minutes from June 2026
 - c. Approval of Minutes from July 2026
- II. **Financials:**
 - a. Financial Statement Review: July
 - b. Financial Transactions and Voucher Approvals: July
 - c. Financial Statement Review: August
 - d. Financial Transactions and Voucher Approvals: August
- III. **New Business:**
 - a. Approvals:
 - i. Ethics Approval
 - ii. Budget Approval
 - iii. LFSA Approval
 - iv. Job Description Update
 - v. Disposal of Assets
 - vi. Policy & Procedure
 - b. **Board Status Reports/Program Reports:**
 - c. **Issues:**
 - i. Annual Planning Meeting Oct. 22
 - ii. Long-Term Financial Relief and Funding Reform
- IV. **General Announcements:**
- V. **Other Business -Comments from the floor:**
- VI. **Adjournment: 7:46pm**
Next Board Meeting: October 21, 2026

Summary of Discussion:

- VII. **Call to Order and Roll Call: 6:50pm**
- VIII. **Financials:**
 - a. July and August Financials were reviewed by Mrs. Davis
- IX. **New Business:**
 - a. Approvals:
 - i. Job Description Update:
Mr. Rice informed the Board of the changes made to the Employment First Manager job description.

ii. **Disposal of Assets:**

Mrs. Davis informed the board the reasons for disposing of some items from the list.

b. **Board Status Reports/Program Reports:**

- i. The agency's board status reports and program reports were placed in the board book prior to the meeting and reviewed by Mr. Rice during the meeting.

c. **Issues:**

i. **The Annual Planning Meeting:**

Mr. Rice informed the Board that the Annual Planning Meeting will be held on Oct. 22. Board President Mr. Lair announced he will be in attendance.

ii. **Long-term Financial Relief and Funding Reform:**

Mr. Rice and Mr. Carlson discussed potential changes to Ohio's developmental disabilities system that could affect Geauga DD's long-term financial and operational outlook. Proposals under consideration by the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities could change the funding and administration of Medicaid waiver services. These changes could favorably affect Geauga DD's budget, although many operational details remain undetermined. The Board discussed the potential impacts at length and emphasized the importance of remaining focused on the people served and their families. The Board requested ongoing updates as discussions progress.

X. **General Announcements:**

- a. Board President, Mr. Lair called for any further general announcement from the board or the public:

- i. No announcements were made.

XI. **Other Business -Comments from the floor:**

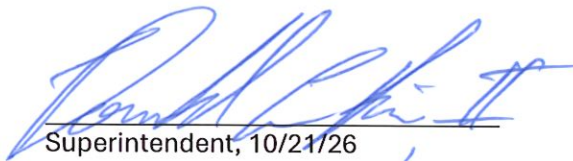
- a. Board President, Mr. Lair called for any other business or comments from the board or public:

- i. No comments were made.

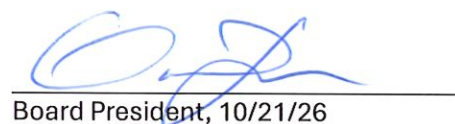
XII. **Adjournment: 7:46pm**

Board President, Mr. Lair adjourned the meeting at 7:46pm because the agenda was completed.

Submitted:


Superintendent, 10/21/26

Approval:


Board President, 10/21/26

cc: Bd. of Geauga Co. Commissioners, Geauga Co. Probate Court, Geauga Co Prosecutor