

The Blanchester Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 21, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the auxiliary cafeteria in the Blanchester Middle School at 957 Cherry Street, Blanchester, OH 45107

Meeting Called to Order

Roll Call

In attendance: Jeremy Kaehler, Mike Williams, John Panetta, Kathy Gephart and Chris Baker

Superintendent Randy Dunlap and Treasurer Alleyn Unversaw were in attendance along with the following who signed in for the meeting: Jennifer Chapin, Rachel Medley, Andrew Purdin, Raechel Purdon, Jeri Early, Eric Lawson, Shelly Pembleton, Rachel Bishop, Patty Reed, Tom Greve, Donna Gosney, Barb Lambros, Krissy Laubernds, Kim Merritt, Ryan Briggs, Jocelyn Lansing, Cathay Falgner, Bess Long, Maddie Frump, Andy Hamm, Brad Ballinger and Angie Kees

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda with Corrections

Mr. Williams made the motion and Mr. Panetta seconded. All present voted to approve the agenda as presented.

Approval of the Minutes from March 17, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Gephart made the motion and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2025 Regular Board Meeting. All present voted in favor of approving the minutes as presented.

Welcome, Recognitions, and Public Participation of Agenda Items

- April Recognitions
 - Middle School
 - Tom Greve
 - Putman
 - Title Teachers Angie Kees, Kim Merritt, Krissy Laubernds and Rachel Medley
 - High school
 - Leadership Clinton County - Bess Long plus students Mary Chapin, Jocelyn Lansing, Maddie Frump and Randy Eckman
- Discuss the rehiring of Tom Greve
- Weighted GPA - Eric Lawson and Andy Hamm discussion with the board

Business of the Board

Mr. Panetta made the motion and Mr. Williams seconded the motion to accept all items included under Business of the Board.

- Approve the following donation to the MS Principal's Fund:
 - Kroger Community Rewards-\$86.99
 - Merchant's National Bank-\$250.00
- Approve the following donation to NHS:
 - Kroger Community Rewards-\$111.31
- Approve the following donation to HS Cheer:
 - Campus Box Media-\$112.50
- Approve the following donation to Softball:
 - J&K Rental/Andrea Blankenbeckler-\$100.00
 - Peelle, Wilkin & Moyer Law Offices-\$100.00
 - James Peters Homes-\$300.00
 - Peoples Bank-\$100.00
- Approve the following donation to Boys Basketball:
 - Malott-\$225.00
- Approve the following donation to FFA:
 - Banquet Sponsorship-\$2,790.00 which includes the following:
 - S. Ohio Aerial Ag-\$200.00
 - C.C. Farm Machinery-\$100.00
 - GL Nause-\$500.00
 - Nause Family-\$500.00
 - Massie Seed Agency-\$200.00
 - Rippling Rack Farm-\$100.00
 - Forman Farms-\$100.00
 - Chad McKay-\$25.00
 - Bush Auto-\$100.00
 - SSCC-\$100.00
 - Jason Rodgers-\$100.00
 - Caplinger's-\$100.00
 - Miller Farms-\$100.00
 - F.A.R.M.-\$565.00
 - Strawberry Sale miscellaneous-\$42.00
- Approve the following donation to the Superintendent's Fund:
 - Plattenburg & Associates for County Wide PD-\$1,000.00
 - Strategic Solutions for County Wide PD-\$50.00
 - Evan's Energy-\$1,000.00
 - Forward Edge-\$500.00
- Approve the following donation to Drama:
 - Miscellaneous-\$177.00
 - Miscellaneous-\$150.00
- Approve the following donation to DECA:
 - First National Bank-\$150.00
 - Wildfield Automotive Inc.-\$360.00

- Blanchester Area Chamber of Commerce-\$500.00
 - Eagles-\$1,000.00
 - BDK Feed and Supply-\$150.00
- Approve the following donation to the Putman Principal's Fund:
 - Eagles for the Putman Shade Structure Project-\$6,000.00
- Approve the following donation to the Football Fund:
 - Liftathon Fundraiser-\$2308.00
- Approve the following donation to the Athletic Fund:
 - Boosters-\$300.00
- Approve the following policy updates: (first reading March 17, 2025)
 - JHCD-Administering Medicines to Students
 - JHCD-R- Administering Prescription Drugs to Students
- Approve the following students who placed in the Top 5 in the State of Ohio to travel to the International Career Development Conference (Nationals) in Orlando, FL, April 26-30, 2025. Chaperone will be Karen Vanderhorst.
 - Audri Byrom-Entrepreneurship
 - Mary Chapin-Marketing Communications
 - Elijah Holley-Business Law and Ethics Team
 - Hayden Phillips-Business Law and Ethics Team
 - Alison Troville-Hospitality and Tourism Professional Selling

All present voted to approve Business of the Board.

Business of the Treasurer

Mr. Williams made a motion and Mr. Baker seconded to approve the Business of the Treasurer.

- Review Financial Report(s)
 - Cash Summary
 - Checks Written
 - Cash Flow Report
 - Cash Flow to Forecast Report
 - FY 2024 Audit Report-clean report/no citations or management letter
- Transfers
 - \$850,000.00 from General Fund (001-0000) to Permanent Improvement (003-0000) as shown in the November 2024 Forecast.
 - Approve the transfer of Title IV-A to Title I in the amount of \$2,346.50
 - Approve the transfer of Title II-A to Title I in the amount of \$4,880.13
- Banking
 - Close Peoples Investment Account XXX99. Investments for the General Fund will be through Redtree Investments.
 - Move funds from Peoples Investment Account XXX32 (Penquite Scholarship Fund) to Redtree Investments to reduce fees and to increase the interest earned. Fees and interest will be allocated based on the percentage of the fund compared to all funds. Authorize the treasurer to close the fund once all funds have been moved to Redtree.
 - Close FNB Account XXX88 as the account is no longer in use.

All present voted to approve the Business of the Treasurer.

Business of the Superintendent with Corrections

Mr. Panetta made a motion and Mr. Williams seconded to approve the Business of the Superintendent with corrections.

It is recommended that the following personnel be employed as listed, subject to maintaining appropriate Certification/Licensure. Salary will be based upon the adopted salary schedule and will reflect the appropriate steps for training and experience.

- Certified Personnel
 - Resignations
 - Approve the resignation of Zachary Canty effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.
 - Certified Staffing
 - Certified Substitutes
 - Carol Mobley and Tamra Jones (temporary sub)
- Supplemental Contracts

It is recommended that the following supplemental contracts be approved for the 2024-2025 school year:

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	PAYROLL
Kyle Hamilton	HS	Summer School	\$30.00 hr
Andy Hamm	HS	Summer School	\$30.00 hr
Kelley Neumann	Putman	PBIS Work Session	\$30.00 hr for 4 hours total
Nicole Paulson	Putman	PBIS Work Session	\$30.00 hr for 4 hours total
Kierstan Kaplan	Putman	PBIS Work Session	\$30.00 hr for 4 hours total
Brittany Ahmann	Putman	PBIS Work Session	\$30.00 hr for 4 hours total

Angie Kees	Putman	PBIS Work Session	\$30.00 hr for 4 hours total
Kim Merritt	Putman	PBIS Work Session	\$30.00 hr for 4 hours total
Mishelle Pembleton	Putman	Science of Reading	\$1,200 stipend
Laura Yablonsky	MS	Science of Reading	\$400 stipend
Julia Perry	MS	Science of Reading	\$400 stipend
Michael England	HS	Science of Reading	\$400 stipend
Carly Page	Putman	Science of Reading	\$1,200 stipend
Mary(Carrie) Mueller	Putman	Science of Reading	\$1,200 stipend
Carrie Foreman	MS	Science of Reading	\$400 stipend
Zach Canty	MS	Science of Reading	\$1,200 stipend
Renea Wooddell	MS	Science of Reading	\$1,200 stipend
Stephanie Cummings	MS	Science of Reading	\$1,200 stipend
Andrew Freeman	HS	Science of Reading	\$400 stipend

- Classified Personnel
 - Classified Staffing
 - Resignations
 - Approve the resignation of Mike Malott from Varsity Boys Basketball effective at the end of his 2024-2025 contract.
 - Transfers
 - None
 - Classified Substitutes
 - Christopher Hurst-sub bus driver Step 1
 - Supplemental Contracts

It is recommended that the following supplemental contracts be approved for the 2025-2026 school year:

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	STEP
Shelbie Rose	HS	Varsity Volleyball	2
Matt Sexton	HS	Varsity Girls Tennis	3
Kyle Hamilton	HS	Varsity Girls Soccer	3
Melissa Wallace	HS	Varsity Football Cheer	3
Cora Loudermilk	MS	MS Football Cheer	3
Jamey Grogg	HS	Varsity Girls Golf	3/2 yr contract
John Lovin	HS	Varsity Girls Bball	3
Brayden Sipple	HS	Varsity Girls Bball	1

Volunteers (non-employees):

Vicki Wagner-overnight FFA Convention April 30-May 2, 2025-pending background check- BIB approved 9/4/24
 Sarah Whitaker-overnight FFA Convention April 30-May 2, 2025-pending background check-BIB approved 3/22/23
 Brandi Glancy-overnight FFA Convention April 30-May 2, 2025
 Hope Blankenbeckler-assistant softball (24-25 school year)
 Kaleb Goodin-assistant JV baseball (24-25 school year)
 Destiny Waldron-assistant HS/MS cheer (25-26 school year)
 Noelani Tangonan-assistant HS/MS cheer (25-26 school year)

All present voted to approve the Business of the Superintendent with corrections.

Other

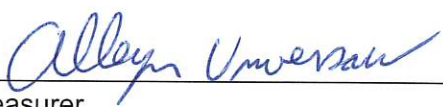
• **Information Items**

- Policy Discussion-First Reading
 - IGBA-Program for Students with Disabilities
 - IGBLA-Promoting Parental Involvement (HB8: Parent's Bill of Rights)
- Discuss cell phone policy and pending legislation surrounding this policy
- Discuss 4th grade move from Putman back to the middle school
- Updates to the 2025-26 Student Handbook
- Strategic Planning
- House passes version of the state budget

Adjournment

Mrs. Gephart made the motion and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to adjourn. All present voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm.



Board President

Treasurer

