

The Blanchester Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 18, 2025 in the auxiliary cafeteria in the Blanchester Middle School at 957 Cherry Street, Blanchester, OH 45107

Meeting Called to Order

Roll Call

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

Absent: Jeremy Kaehler

Superintendent Randy Dunlap and Treasurer Alleyn Unversaw were in attendance along with the following who signed in for the meeting: Jeri Earley, Raechel Purdon, Eric Lawson, Jeryl Weis, Rachel Bishop, Donna Gosney, Barb Lambros, Cathy Falgner, Ryan Briggs, Andy Hamm and Aaron Brewster

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of the Minutes from July 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

Mrs. Gephart made the motion and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the July 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting. All present voted in favor of approving the minutes as presented.

Welcome, Recognitions, and Public Participation of Agenda Items

None

Business of the Board

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

- Approve the following donation to the FFA:
 - Jody Gundler-Equine trip- \$500.00
- Approve the following donation to HS Band:
 - American Legion Post 179- \$200.00
- Reduce Student Fees for Handbooks by \$6.00 for 4th through 12th grades as Blanchester Foundation granted the district \$6,000.00 to cover these fees.
- Approve the policy JGE-Student Expulsion (first reading was July 21, 2025)
- Approve the 2025-2026 bus routes

- Approve the contract with Ohio Valley Voices for services and equipment for the 2025-2026 school year.

All present voted to approve Business of the Board.

Business of the Treasurer

Mr. Panetta 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
 - Redtree Investment Report
- Approve the treasurer to create a Termination Benefits Fund (035-0000) to accumulate dollars for future benefits paid to employees who have terminated employment
- **Transfers**
 - Approve the transfer from Title II-A to Title I in the amount of \$3,903.80.
 - Approve the transfer from Title IV-A to Title I in the amount of \$1,879.62
 - Approve the transfer from General Fund to Termination Benefits Fund in the amount of \$100,000.00 (Current liability \$57,000 + estimated upcoming retirements)
- Approve the Middle School Retainage Account ending in XXX43 at First National Bank of Blanchester per section 7.2 of the contract. The account may be closed by the treasurer once it is no longer needed for the roofing project.
- Auditor of State Commercial Paper Reporting ORC 135.142(C)
 - Purchase and sales report
 - Income Earned Report
 - No commissions were paid on any commercial paper purchases or sales.
- **Discussion**
 - Forecast is due 10/15/2025 instead of 11/30/2025
 - Targeting for the 9/15/2025 board meeting date. We may need to have a special board meeting at the end of September.

All present voted to approve the Business of the Treasurer.

Business of the Superintendent

Mrs. Gephart made a motion and Mr. Baker seconded to approve the Business of the Superintendent.

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**

- **Transfers**

- None

- **Certified Staffing**

- Approve 2 dock days for Tyler Curry- Aug. 29th and Sept. 2, 2025.
 - Approve the carryover of 2 vacation days for Raechel Purdon.
 - Approve the resignation of Jessica Leugers from her 4th grade teaching position effective immediately.

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

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	STEP
Emily Wyenandt	MS	4th grade teacher	0

- **Certified Substitutes**

- Approve the following Substitute Teachers:

- Colton Askew, Kaitlyn Barton, Laney Boldman, Kaleb Goodin, Stephanie Jewitt, Gage Summers, Heather Tobler, Loreen Walterhouse, James West and Matthew Peters.

- **Supplemental Contracts**

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

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	PAYROLL
Laura Yablonsky	MS	Reveal and Aleks PD Prep	\$30.00 hour
Jill Wilson	MS	Reveal and Aleks PD Prep	\$30.00 hour
Stephenie Eriksson	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Bradon Pyle	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Kyle Hamilton	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Andy Hamm	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend

Michael England	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Shauna Woodyard	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
David Wood	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Bess Long	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Stephenie Ericksson	HS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Bradon Pyle	HS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Kyle Hamilton	HS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Michael England	HS	Yearbook Advisor	Step 3
Stephenie Ericksson	HS	Academic Team Advisor	Step 3
Jennifer Hartman	HS	Drama Advisor	Step 3
Bess Long	HS	Senior Class Advisor 50%	Step 3
Georgette McClain	HS	NHS Advisor	Step 3
Karen Vanderhoorst	HS	HS Student Council Advisor	Step 3
Bess Long	HS	Junior Class Advisor 50%	Step 3

- **Classified Personnel**

- **Classified Staffing**

- Approve the rollover of 5 vacation days for Jeryl Weis.
 - Approve the rollover of 5 vacation days for Angela Dallas.

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

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	STEP
Jenna Stanley	Board	Human Resources/Payroll Specialist	1
Joe R. Carpenter	MS	Custodian/second shift	6

- **Transfers**
 - None
- **Classified Substitutes**
 - Marion Crone-sub aide
 - Donna Gosney-sub custodian
 - Dylan Spurlock-sub custodian
 - Kim Trampler-sub aide
 - Tammy Brister-sub aide
- **Supplemental Contracts**

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

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	STEP
Melissa Wallace	HS	Senior Class Advisor 50%	3
Melissa Wallace	HS	Junior Class Advisor 50%	3
Andrew Freeman	HS	Asst JV Soccer	3
Kevin Brown	HS	Events Manager	3

Volunteers (non-employees):

Tomas Oldham-asst HS football
 Dan Scott- asst HS football
 Hilma Crawford-asst HS football
 Regan Ostermeir-asst HS football
 Thomas Bare-MS football
 Brant Badow-asst soccer

All present voted to approve the Business of the Superintendent.

Other

- **Discussion Items**
 - September-may need a special meeting at the end of the month to approve the 3 year forecast
 - Develop a policy to address carry over to align with new legislation from the Ohio General Assembly.

Executive Session

Mr. Panetta made a motion and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to join the executive session.

- a. To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing by division (G)(1) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

All present joined the executive session at 7:21pm and exited at 9:22 pm.

Adjournment

Mr. Panetta made the motion and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to adjourn. All present voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 pm.



Board President



Treasurer