

The Blanchester Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 24, 2026 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: Mike Williams, John Panetta, Chris Baker, Aaron Brewster and Tyler Binkley

Superintendent Raechel Purdon and Treasurer Alleyn Unversaw were in attendance along with the following who signed in for the meeting: Eric Lawson, Scott Simpson, Ryan Page, Rachel Purdin, Adrian Collins, Jeryl Weis, Andy Hamm, Mary Looney, Dan Mueller, Jenny Curp, Michael Cook, Andrew Freeman, Savanna Morlatt, Kyle Hamilton, Julia Perry, Lori Ponder, Michelle Ward, Belinda Ward, Donna Gosney, Kim Trampler, Kristin Unversaw, Ryan Briggs, Kristina Taylor, Krissy Laubernds, Mary Roark, Kierstan Kaplan, Bryce Badow, Kurt Ballinger, Georgette McClain, Ryan Shafer, Bess Long, Shelly Pembleton, Megan Coomer, David Wood, Tonya Gehringer, Mandy Gabbard, Stephenie Eriksson, Michelle Elston, Shauna Woodyard, Andrea Jones, Dashanna Lovin, Michelle Kirkendall, Melissa Rich, Shelby Simpson, Kevin Simpson, Carrie Mueller, Jessica Gullette, Tracy Shank, James Ponder, Bradon Pyle and Carly Page.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of the Minutes from July 27, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Brewster made the motion and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the July 27, 2026 Regular Board Meeting. All present voted in favor of approving the minutes as presented.

Welcome, Recognitions, and Public Participation of Agenda Items

- Adrian Collins, a student at Blanchester High School, spoke on bussing issues. He provided several statistics that he had witnessed on the bus, one of them being issues with seating. Also, to require parents to update Final Forms.
- Mr. Briggs recognized several students for their perfect score on the OST test.
 - Jordan Ponder-4th grade math
 - Madden Lansing-6th grade math
 - Rory Shank-6th grade math
 - Aubree Rowe-7th grade ELA
- Mrs. Taylor recognized several students for their perfect score on the OST test.
 - Lincoln Ward-3rd grade math

- Hudson Page-3rd grade math
- Roselynn Simpson-3rd grade math
- Lawson Trampler-3rd grade math
- Lincoln Ward- 3rd grade ELA

Business of the Board

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

- Approve the following donations:

DONATOR	AMOUNT	FUND
Memorial Donation(Beverly Williams)	\$40.00	NJHS
Blanchester Schools Foundation	\$276.63	Putman computer/tablet
Blanchester Schools Foundation	\$8,253.00	Ice machine
Eagles	\$4,100.00	Boys Basketball
Pittser	\$200.00	Boys Basketball
BIC	\$100.00	Boys Basketball
Teeshot	\$100.00	Boys Basketball
Boosters	\$1,050.00	HS Golf/golf bags
American Legion	\$200.00	HS Band
Blanchester Youth Basketball	\$5,166.00	Athletic
OHSAA	\$1,250.00	Athletic
Evans Funeral Home	\$100.00	Football
First National Bank	\$100.00	Football
Holmes	\$25.00	Football
Schooley	\$150.00	Football
Boosters	\$783.00	Football
Money Dolly-Boosters	\$2,914.00	MS Cheer
Money Dolly-Boosters	\$3,338.99	HS Cheer

- Approve the service agreement with Montgomery County ESC for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Amended the dollar amount to the July 2026 resolution declaring an urgent necessity under **Ohio Revised Code Section 3313.46 (Urgent necessity, or for the security and protection of school property)**, thereby waiving the formal competitive bidding process to authorize an immediate contract for district -wide fire detection and alarm system upgrades from \$453,000 to \$454,085.50.
- Approve the contract with Clermont County ESC for two students attending CEC North for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost of \$51,455.00 per student.
- Approve the contract with the Clermont County ESC for three students attending CEC South for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost of \$43,024.00 per student.

All present voted to approve Business of the Board.

Business of the Treasurer

Mr. Panetta made a motion and Mr. Binkley seconded to approve the Business of the Treasurer.

- Review Financial Report(s)
 - Cash Summary
 - Checks Written
- Transfers -none
- Grants
 - Blanchester Foundation Grant Fund to receive \$26,371.91:
 - \$17,842.28 for athletic uniforms, \$8,253.00 for an ice machine for athletics for a total of \$26,095.28 and \$276.63 for a tablet at Putman
- Annual Commercial Paper Reporting Requirement per **ORC 135.142**
- Safety Deposit Box Resolution
- Forecast
- Permanent Appropriations
- Student Activity Handbook FY27
- Discussion
 - FRAQ-audit

All present voted to approve the Business of the Treasurer.

Business of the Superintendent

Mr. Brewster 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

It is recommended that the following contract amendment be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	POSITION	SALARY SCHEDULE	STEP
Savannah Morlatt	Teacher	Masters to Masters+15	7

- Certified Substitutes
- Approve the following Substitute Teachers:
 - Justus Anderson, Madison Bailey, Phillip Massey and James “Tony” Wilson
- Supplemental Contracts:

It is recommended that the following supplemental contracts be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	PAYROLL
Casey Phillips	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Kate Slusher	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Madison Berger	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Chanda Addington	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Carly Page	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Julia Strider	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Gina Kramer	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Shelly Pembleton	Putman	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Zoie Stanforth	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Michelle Adkins	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Mike Cook	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Jill Wilson	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Julia Perry	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Britni Ashford	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend

Kurt Ballinger	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Laura Yablonsky	MS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Bess Long	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Shauna Woodyard	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Andy Hamm	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Kyle Hamilton	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Bradon Pyle	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Stephenie Eriksson	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
David Wood	HS	BLT	\$1200.00 stipend
Kyle Hamilton	HS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Bradon Pyle	HS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Stephenie Eriksson	HS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Julia Perry	MS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Kate Slusher	Putman	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Shelly Pembleton	Putman	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Casey Phillips	Putman	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Mike Cook	MS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Michelle Adkins	MS	DLT	\$600.00 stipend
Savanna Morlatt	HS	Jr. Class Advisor	Step 1
Bess Long	HS	Sr. Class Advisor/50%	Step 3
Karen Vanderhoorst	HS	Student Council Advisor	Step 3
Jenny Curp	HS	Drama Advisor	Step 3
Mandy Baynes	HS	Yearbook Advisor	Step 1
Georgette McClain	HS	NHS Advisor	Step 3

- Classified Personnel
 - Classified Staffing
 - Approve the following dock days for Jennifer Goodin:
 - Aug. 18th-19th, 2026, Sept. 25, 2026, Nov. 3, 2026 and May 4, 2027.
 - Accept the resignation of Mya Ties from her bus driver position effective July 31, 2026.
 - Accept the resignation of Candi Young from her bus driver position effective August 16, 2026.
 - Approve the following dock days for April Garrett:
 - Sept. 10-11 and 14-16th of 2026.
 - Approve a dock day for Darlene McCann on Sept. 8, 2026.

It is recommended that the following contract renewals be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	CONTRACT	POSITION	STEP
Megan Crabill	2 year	Spec. Ed Parapro	3

It is recommended that the following contracts be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	POSITION	SALARY SCHEDULE	STEP
Marie Smith	Bus Driver	Bus Driver	5
Betty Hodge	Bus Driver	Bus Driver	15
Marion Crone	Aide	Spec Ed parapro	1
Ashlynn Wilson	Bus Driver	Full Time Sub Bus Driver	1
Sandra Lopez	Aide	Paraprofessional	1

- Transfers
 - None
- Classified Substitutes
 - Kim Trampler-sub aide
 - Kelly McCleese-sub aide
 - Diane Helmer-sub aide
 - Karen Blake- sub bus driver
 - Ashly Johnson-sub nurse
 - Brittany Morris- sub aide (pending appropriate certification)

- Supplemental Contracts

It is recommended that the following supplemental contracts be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	POSITION	SALARY SCHEDULE	STEP
John Lovin	JV Boys Golf Coach	Supplemental C	1
Candice Boyle	MS Volleyball Coach	Supplemental C	1
Bella Freeman	MS Volleyball Coach	Supplemental C	1
Jaxon Arnett	MS Football Coach	Supplemental C	1
Jordan Phipps	Asst. Varsity Football Coach	Supplemental C	3
Melissa Wallace	Sr. Class Advisor	50%	3

Volunteers (non-employees):

Haylie Sipple-asst cheer coach
Rachel Stoll-asst cheer coach

All present voted to approve the Business of the Superintendent.

Other

- **Discussion Items**
 - None

Executive Session

Mr. Panetta made the motion and Mr. Brewster seconded the motion to enter executive session at 7:46 pm.

- 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 voted to exit the executive session at 9:25 pm.

Additional Action Items

Mr. Brewster made the motion and Mr. Panetta seconded the motion to accept the additional action items.

- BEA negotiated agreement 2026 - 2029

All present voted to approve the additional action items.

Adjournment

Mr. Panetta made the motion and Mr. Brewster seconded the motion to adjourn. All present voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 pm.



Board President



Treasurer

Reporting Period: August 2026 (FY 2027)

8/19/26 1:33 PM

BLANCHESTER LOCAL
Appropriations Resolution Report

Rev. Code Sec. 5705.38

Fiscal Year: 2027

BLANCHESTER LOCAL

Include Zero Balance Accounts: false

	Total Appropriation
001 GENERAL	\$ 19,966,763.00
002 DEBT RETIREMENT	\$ 25,507.27
003 PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	\$ 950,000.00
006 FOOD SERVICE	\$ 667,110.89
007 SPECIAL TRUST	\$ 35,000.00
008 ENDOWMENT	\$ 6,600.00
018 PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT	\$ 93,261.34
019 OTHER GRANT	\$ 179,154.89
024 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SELF INS.	\$ 398,478.68
031 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUND	\$ 11,000.00
035 TERMINATION BENEFITS - HB426	\$ 143,528.21
200 STUDENT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 160,000.00
300 DISTRICT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 333,940.80
451 DATA COMMUNICATION FUND	\$ 6,000.00
499 MISCELLANEOUS STATE GRANT FUND	\$ 8,169.18
516 IDEA, PART B SPECIAL EDUCATION, ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN WITH	\$ 366,533.62
516 9026 IDEA FY26	\$ 41,476.09
516 9027 IDEA FY27	\$ 325,057.53
572 TITLE I DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN	\$ 481,729.55
572 9026 TITLE I FY26	\$ 71,719.55
572 9027 TITLE I FY27	\$ 410,010.00
584 TITLE IV, PART A, STUDENT SUPPORT AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS	\$ 35,409.16
584 9026 TITLE IV-A FY26	\$ 6,800.81
584 9027 TITLE IV-A FY26	\$ 28,608.35
587 IDEA PART B, SPECIAL EDUCATION, ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN WITH	\$ 13,060.59
587 9027 IDEA EARLY CHILDHOOD FY26	\$ 13,060.59
590 IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY	\$ 60,885.19
590 9026 TITLE II A FY26	\$ 11,693.83
590 9027 TITLE II A FY27	\$ 49,191.36
599 MISCELLANEOUS FED. GRANT FUND	\$ 606,628.00
599 9027 COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY FY27 CFDA 84.371C	\$ 606,628.00
Grand Total All Funds	\$ 24,548,760.37

Appropriation Recap Report

	Total Appropriation
Governmental Fund Type	
General Fund	
001 GENERAL	\$ 19,966,763.00
Total for General Fund	\$ 19,966,763.00
Special Revenue	
007 SPECIAL TRUST	\$ 16,079.19
008 ENDOWMENT	\$ 2,800.00
018 PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT	\$ 93,261.34
019 OTHER GRANT	\$ 179,154.89
031 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUND	\$ 11,000.00
035 TERMINATION BENEFITS - HB426	\$ 143,528.21
200 STUDENT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 160,000.00
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499 MISCELLANEOUS STATE GRANT FUND	\$ 8,169.18
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572 TITLE I DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN	\$ 481,729.55
584 TITLE IV, PART A, STUDENT SUPPORT AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS	\$ 35,409.16
587 IDEA PART B, SPECIAL EDUCATION, ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN WITH	\$ 13,060.59
590 IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY	\$ 60,885.19
599 MISCELLANEOUS FED. GRANT FUND	\$ 608,628.00
Total for Special Revenue	\$ 2,518,179.72
Debt Service	
002 DEBT RETIREMENT	\$ 25,507.27
Total for Debt Service	\$ 25,507.27
Capital Projects	
003 PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	\$ 950,000.00
Total for Capital Projects	\$ 950,000.00
Total for Governmental Fund Type	\$ 23,460,449.99
Proprietary Fund Type	
Enterprise	
006 FOOD SERVICE	\$ 667,110.89
Total for Enterprise	\$ 667,110.89
Internal Service	
007 SPECIAL TRUST	\$ 9,831.18
024 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SELF INS.	\$ 398,478.68
Total for Internal Service	\$ 408,309.86
Total for Proprietary Fund Type	\$ 1,075,420.75
Fiduciary Fund Type	
Investment Trust Fund	
008 ENDOWMENT	\$ 3,800.00
Total for Investment Trust Fund	\$ 3,800.00
Private Purpose Trust Fund	
007 SPECIAL TRUST	\$ 9,089.63
Total for Private Purpose Trust Fund	\$ 9,089.63
Total for Fiduciary Fund Type	\$ 12,889.63
Grand Total All Funds	\$ 24,548,760.37

Five Year Forecast

Fiscal Year:	Actual	FORECASTED				
	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Revenue:						
1.010 - General Property Tax (Real Estate)	4,243,351	4,163,472	3,952,890	3,957,110	4,000,483	4,203,460
1.020 - Public Utility Personal Property	965,779	993,123	1,005,127	1,011,947	1,018,766	1,025,585
1.030 - Income Tax	2,165,261	2,208,736	2,252,911	1,953,274	468,786	239,081
1.035 - Unrestricted Grants-in-Aid	11,188,845	11,152,327	11,160,876	11,174,579	11,166,536	11,167,245
1.040 - Restricted Grants-in-Aid	498,164	419,526	414,204	401,823	410,203	410,238
1.050 - State Reimb Prop Tax Credits	611,059	657,313	704,999	709,699	716,760	722,87
1.060 - All Other Operating Revenues	1,161,690	941,151	925,507	910,705	895,805	881,651
1.070 - Total Revenue	20,834,151	20,535,648	20,416,514	20,119,137	18,677,339	18,650,131
Other Financing Sources:						
2.010 - Proceeds from Sale of Notes	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.020 - State Emergency Loans and Adv	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.040 - Operating Transfers-In	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.050 - Advances-In	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.060 - All Other Financing Sources	876	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
2.070 - Total Other Financing Sources	876	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
2.080 - Total Rev & Other Sources	20,835,027	20,540,648	20,421,514	20,124,137	18,682,339	18,655,131
Expenditures:						
3.010 - Personnel Services	8,723,561	8,916,680	9,262,363	9,556,281	9,820,296	10,147,606
3.020 - Employee Benefits	4,837,591	4,901,941	5,176,697	5,480,614	5,774,382	6,124,227
3.030 - Purchased Services	4,030,663	3,931,818	4,176,398	4,299,717	4,377,203	4,584,306
3.040 - Supplies and Materials	557,344	596,646	621,859	648,244	675,753	704,550
3.050 - Capital Outlay	33,108	26,250	27,563	28,941	30,388	30,388
Intergovernmental & Debt Service	188,250	187,824	-	-	-	-
4.300 - Other Objects	282,951	305,604	324,495	344,702	366,327	366,327
4.500 - Total Expenditures	18,653,468	18,866,763	19,589,375	20,358,499	21,044,349	21,957,404
Other Financing Uses						
5.010 - Operating Transfers-Out	950,000	1,100,000	1,050,000	1,050,000	850,000	850,000
5.020 - Advances-Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.030 - All Other Financing Uses	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.040 - Total Other Financing Uses	950,000	1,100,000	1,050,000	1,050,000	850,000	850,000
5.050 - Total Exp and Other Financing Uses	19,603,468	19,966,763	20,639,375	21,408,499	21,894,349	22,807,404
6.010 - Excess of Rev Over/(Under) Exp	1,231,559	573,885	(217,861)	(1,284,362)	(3,212,010)	(4,152,273)
7.010 - Cash Balance July 1 (No Levies)	5,685,424	6,916,983	7,490,868	7,273,007	5,988,645	2,776,635
7.020 - Cash Balance June 30 (No Levies)	6,916,983	7,490,868	7,273,007	5,988,645	2,776,635	(1,375,638)
		Reservations				
8.010 - Estimated Encumbrances June 30	-	-	-	-	-	-
9.080 - Reservations Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-
10.010 - Fund Bal June 30 for Cert of App	6,916,983	7,490,868	7,273,007	5,988,645	2,776,635	(1,375,638)
Rev from Replacement/Renewal Levies						
11.010 & 11.020 - Renewal Levies	-	-	-	344,695	1,875,143	2,151,726
11.030 - Cumulative Balance of Levies	-	-	-	344,695	2,219,838	4,371,565
12.010 - Fund Bal June 30 for Cert of Obligations	6,916,983	7,490,868	7,273,007	6,333,340	4,996,473	2,995,927
Revenue from New Levies						
13.010 & 13.020 - New Levies	-	-	-	-	-	-
13.030 - Cumulative Balance of New Levies	-	-	-	-	-	-
15.010 - Unreserved Fund Balance June 30	6,916,983	7,490,868	7,273,007	6,333,340	4,996,473	2,995,927