

**BLANCHESTER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

**BLANCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL AUXILIARY CAFETERIA
December 15, 2025
7:00 P.M.
AGENDA**

A. Meeting called to order: Roll Call

- a. Jeremy Kaehler
- b. Mike Williams
- c. John Panetta
- d. Kathy Gephart
- e. Chris Baker

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Approve the resolution for the election of a President Pro-Tempore for the reorganizational meeting January 12, 2026 @ 7pm

Nominations: _____

_____ Moved _____ Seconded

Motion to close nominations was made

_____ Moved _____ Seconded

Vote:

___Kaehler ___Williams ___Panetta ___Gephart ___Baker

D. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

_____ Moved _____ Seconded

Vote:

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E. Approval of Minutes**a. Minutes for November 10, 2025 Regular Board Meeting**

_____ Moved _____ Seconded

Vote:

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F. Welcome, Recognitions and Public Participation of Agenda Items**G. Business of the Board**

_____ Moved _____ Seconded

1. Approve the following donations:

DONATOR	AMOUNT	FUND
Stinson	\$50.00	Drama
Koch Family	\$100.00	Drama
Gundler	\$50.00	Putman Principal/Winter Wonderland
Eagles/D&E Equipment	\$450.00	Putman Principal/Winter Wonderland
BDK	\$100.00	Putman Principal/Winter Wonderland
Boosters	\$630.00	Athletic/Bowling Jerseys
BDK	\$100.00	Girls Basketball
Fiesta Veracruz	\$200.00	Girls Basketball

- 2.** Approve the agreement with Hamilton County ESC for a bilingual school psychologist.
- 3.** Approve the donation of 300 single dip ice cream cone coupons from United Dairy Farmers for Putman's Winter Wonderland Family Night.
- 4.** Approve the agreement with Southern Ohio ESC for Behavior Analyst Services FY25-26.
- 5.** Approve the contract for Homeless Transportation between BLSD and the Washington Court House City School District for FY25-26 school year.

6. Approve the quote from SC Strategic Solutions to scan the district's records into SCView.
7. Approve the contract with TPM Fence and Property Maintenance FY26 in the amount of \$50,499.96 for lawn care services and snow removal.
8. 2025-2026 Nutritional Standards Compliance Report.

Vote:

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H. Business of The Treasurer

_____Moved _____Seconded

1. Review Financial Report(s) (Packet)

- a. Cash Summary
- b. Checks Written
- c. Cash Flow Report
- d. Cash Flow to Forecast Compare Report
- e. Redtree

2. Transfers

- a. Transfer Class of 2025 remaining balance of \$22.31 to Class of 2026 per the request of the advisor, Melissa Wallace, on 11/11/2025
- b. Approve the transfer from Title II-A to Title I in the amount of \$4,363.62.
- c. Approve the transfer from Title IV-A to Title I in the amount of \$2,573.70.

3. Discussion

- a. Policy DID- Approve Copy of Inventories (2nd reading)- increase inventory and capitalization threshold to \$10,000 from \$5,000, effective FY 2026.

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I. Business of the Superintendent

_____Moved _____Seconded

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.

1. Certified Personnel

a. Transfers-None

b. Certified Staffing

- i. Approve a dock day for Michelle Adkins for February 13, 2026.
- ii. Consider the request from Carrie Foreman for the advancement of 5 days for sick leave
- iii. Approve 7.5 dock days for Carrie Foreman
- iv. Approve the Winter Wonderland Family Engagement Event at Putman funded through the Title I Grant.
 1. Certified staff will be compensated at \$30 per hour.
 2. Classified staff will be compensated at their negotiated hourly rate for time worked.
- v. Approve the Let's Glow Family Engagement Event at BMS funded through the Title I Grant.
 1. Certified staff will be compensated at \$30 per hour.
 2. Classified staff will be compensated at their negotiated hourly rate for time worked.
- vi. Recommend Kristina Taylor for the principal position at Putman Elementary at Step 1 of the elementary administrators schedule. (3 year contract)

c. Certified Substitutes

Substitute Teachers (Packet)

Tessa Bosier, Stephanie Couch, Gracey Dearmon, Jani Uhrig, Cana Wilson, Noah Sweetman and Hannah Wills

d.. Supplemental Contracts

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

NAME	POSITION	PAYROLL
Mike Cook	Home Instruction	5 hours weekly

2. Classified Personnel

a. Classified Staffing

- i. Approve a dock day for Angie Bishop for her office hours and PM route on November 25, 2025.
- ii. Accept the resignation of Felecia Begley from her position as school bus driver effective December 4, 2025.

- iii. Approve Collin Barker from Wilmington College to student teach at BHS beginning 1/2026 for 15 weeks/Andrew Freeman will be his mentor.

b. Transfers-None

c. Classified Substitutes

- i. Krista Newton-sub nurse

d. Supplemental Contracts

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

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	STEP
Derek Elliott	MS	Wrestling Coach	1/half
Bryan Faul	MS	Wrestling Coach	1/half

Volunteers (non-employees):

Jon Sears-Asst girls wrestling

Destiny Blankenbeckler- Asst Cheer

Tanner Bolin- Asst MS Girls Basketball (7th grade)

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J. Other

a. Discussion Item

- i. Board Meeting Calendar for 2026 (To approved at the January re-organizational meeting on January 12,2026)

K. Executive Session

_____ Moved _____Seconded

- 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.

_____ Time Entered _____ Time Exited

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L. Additional Action Items (if needed)

M. Adjournment

_____ Moved _____ Seconded

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End Time_____