

**City Board of Education
Washington Court House City Schools
Board Meeting
Monday, February 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM**

The Board of Education of the City School District of Washington Court House, Fayette County, Ohio met in regular session pursuant to the rules of section 3313.15 of the Ohio Revised Code, at 306 Highland Avenue, on Monday, February 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM and proceeded to consider business under section 3313.15 of the Ohio Revised Code.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Agenda Item 1)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Lynch. Mrs. Lynch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL (Agenda Item 2)

Board Members Present:

Dr. Camp
Mr. Chrisman
Mrs. Downing
Mrs. Lynch
Mr. Upthegrove

Others Present:

Tom Bailey
Becky Mullins
Erica Malone
Lisa Robinson
Andrea Faulkner
Trevor Patton
April Self

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA (Agenda Item 3)

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Agenda Item 4)

The minutes of the January 13, 2025 organizational meeting, the January 14, 2025 and the February 24, 2025 special meetings were included with the agenda. President Lynch asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes.

Motion 2025-26

Mr. Chrisman moved to accept the approval of the minutes.

Mr. Upthegrove seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Dr. Camp, yea; Mr. Chrisman, yea; Mrs. Downing, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea
(5 yeas)

President Lynch declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REGARDING AN AGENDA ITEM (Agenda Item 5)
None

PRESENTATIONS (Agenda Item 6)

- **Special Education Presentation – Mrs. Stephenie Starkey, Director**
- **Board Legislative Liaison Report – Zach Camp**
- **Student Achievement Liaison Report – Wendy Downing**

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT- Dr. Bailey (Agenda Item 7)

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the following personnel items:

A. Change of Effective Date:

1. Charles (Chuck) Williamson – Educational aide (Alternative Pathways Coordinator) for 2024-2025 school year, effective February 12, 2024

B. Resignations:

1. Ashley Carruthers – Intervention specialist at Belle Aire Intermediate School, effective August 2, 2025
2. Katherine Richards – Literacy teacher at Cherry Hill Primary School, due to retirement, effective May 31, 2025
3. Christine Eckstein – Early childhood intervention specialist itinerant, due to retirement, effective May 31, 2025
4. Amy Nestor – 2nd grade teacher at Cherry Hill Primary School, due to retirement, effective May 31, 2025
5. Janet Smith – Substitute educational aide, effective February 5, 2025
6. Barry Adams – Head custodian, due to retirement, effective May 31, 2025

C. Change of Status:

1. Shea Haycook – From substitute cook to cook, effective February 24, 2025

D. New Job Description of Mechanic Apprentice as attached.

E. Employment:

1. Katie Kasberg - \$450.00 stipend for middle school musical set and prop design
2. Elaine Moore – Substitute cook, effective February 18, 2025
3. Mikayla Griffith – Substitute teacher
4. Matthew Williams – Substitute teacher

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the following instructional items:

F. District Calendar for the 2025-2026 School Year as attached.

G. Holidays for 260 Day Classified Employees for 2025-2026: Thursday, July 3rd (Nonpaid, Nonwork Day) Friday, July 4th (Fourth of July); Monday, September 1st (Labor Day); Thursday, November 27th (Thanksgiving);

Friday, November 28th (Day after Thanksgiving); Wednesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve); Thursday, December 25th (Christmas Day); Thursday, January 1st (New Years' Day); Monday, January 19th (MLK Day); Monday, February 16th (Presidents' Day); Friday, April 3rd (Good Friday); Monday, May 25th (Memorial Day); Friday, June 19th (Juneteenth)

H. Washington High School Course Description Catalog for 2025-2026:

Attachment with cover sheet of changes

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the following operational items:

I. Rental and Facility Use Requests:

1. Aaron Dennis (football organizer) and Susan Tuvell (cheer organizer), on behalf of the Washington Youth Football and Cheer Program requested the use of the cafeteria and gym of Belle Aire Intermediate School on the following dates and times: Sign ups on Wednesdays, March 5 and April 2 from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Saturday, May 17 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, uniform fittings on Tuesday, May 19 & Wednesday, May 20 from 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM and a week of cheer camp August 5-7 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. They understand that school events take precedence at all times. The liability policy is still in effect.
2. Chad Blakeley, on behalf of the Fayette County Special Olympics requested use of the Washington High School gym to hold their fundraising basketball game on Saturday evening, March 22, 2025. The liability policy is still in effect.
3. Briton Sword, on behalf of GWA Basketball Travel Teams, requested use of the gyms at Washington Middle School, Belle Aire Intermediate School and Cherry Hill Primary School on Mondays through Thursdays from 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM beginning February 17, 2025 through May 15, 2025. She understands that school events take precedence at all times. A liability policy has been requested but not received.
4. Trevor Patton, representing the Washington Middle School Club Softball program requested the use of the HS softball facilities and the Washington Middle School gym beginning February through May 2025. They will cooperate with the athletic department regarding scheduling to avoid conflicts with the HS softball/baseball teams.
5. Brian Yeazel, representing the Washington Middle School Club Baseball program requested the use of the HS baseball facilities beginning February through May 2025. They will cooperate with the athletic department regarding scheduling to avoid conflicts with the HS baseball/softball teams.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the following athletic items:

- ##### **J. Resolution of Membership in OHSA -** The Washington C.H. City Board of Education authorizes membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for schools under its jurisdiction. Schools eligible for

membership are those that include one or more grades at the 7-12 level. It is agreed that these schools will conduct their athletics in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Interpretations and Decisions of the Ohio High School Athletic Association. This resolution shall remain in effect for the school year 2025-2026.

K. Resignation of Athletic Supplemental Contracts:

1. John Wall – Volunteer boys basketball coach, effective January 14, 2025

Motion 2025-27

Dr. Camp moved to accept the Superintendent's report A-K 1.

Mrs. Downing seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mr. Chrisman, yea; Mrs. Downing, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Dr. Camp, yea (5 yeas)

President Lynch declared the motion carried.

2. Caitlin Chrisman – Reserve softball coach

Motion 2025-28

Mr. Upthegrove moved to accept the Superintendent's report K 2.

Dr. Camp seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mrs. Downing, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Dr. Camp, yea; Mr. Chrisman, abstain
(4 yeas)
(1 abstention)

President Lynch declared the motion carried.

L. Athletic Game Worker:

1. Tina Wilson, effective January 1, 2025

M. Athletic Supplemental Contracts:

The following personnel are recommended for employment on the Supplemental Salary Schedule for Fiscal Years 2024-2026. Pursuant to ORC 3313.53, vacant positions were posted for certificated employees and certificated non-employees and no persons may have applied for or accepted the positions. For the positions for which there were no qualified certificated individuals, qualified non-certificated individuals may be recommended. All coaching recommendations are subject to holding valid pupil activity permits.

1. Zach Collett – Volunteer track coach, non-certificated
2. Olivia Wayne – Assistant boys tennis coach, non-certificated

Motion 2025-29

Mr. Chrisman moved to accept the Superintendent's report L-M.

Dr. Camp seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Dr. Camp, yea; Mr. Chrisman, yea; Mrs. Downing, yea (5 yeas)

President Lynch declared the motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mrs. Mullins (Agenda Item 8)

A. The Treasurer recommended the approval of the financial report for January 2025.

B. The Treasurer recommended acceptance of the following donations:

1. \$5.00 – Board Member Support
2. \$25.00 – Blue Lion Athletic Boosters – Swim for Senior Night
3. \$50.00- Blue Lion Athletic Boosters – Boys Basketball – Senior Night
4. \$75.00 – Blue Lion Athletic Boosters – Cheerleading – Senior Night
5. \$89.36 – Palaskas Scholarship
6. \$100.00 – David DaRif - Wrestling
7. \$200.00 – Cobra Wrestling - Wrestling
8. \$250.00 – Jeremy Howland – Robotics
9. \$250.00 – Pam Robinson – Girls Basketball
10. \$250.00 – Pam Robinson – Boys Basketball
11. \$2,500.00 – Modern Woodmen – Gerber New York Trip

C. The Treasurer recommended approval of amended appropriations for FY25 as attached.

Motion 2025-30

Dr. Camp moved to accept the Treasurer's report A-C.

Mrs. Downing seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Dr. Camp, yea; Mr. Chrisman, yea; Mrs. Downing, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea (5 yeas)

President Lynch declared the motion carried.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda Item 9)

(No more than 3 minutes per individual).

Washington Court House City Schools welcome discussion, comments and ideas to grow the District. However, complaints about public school employees should be made through the procedure outlined in Board Policy and not in open session.

None

OLD BUSINESS (Agenda Item 10)

None

NEW BUSINESS (Agenda Item 11)

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Agenda Item 12)

None

ADJOURNMENT (Agenda Item 13)

Motion 2025-31

Mr. Chrisman moved to adjourn the meeting.

Dr. Camp seconded the motion.

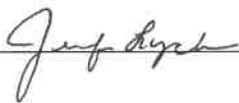
On roll call the members voted as follows:

Dr. Camp, yea; Mr. Chrisman, yea Mrs. Downing, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea
(5 yeas)

President Lynch declared the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM

ATTEST
President



Treasurer

