

Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting of the Berea City School District held on Monday, December 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Berea-Midpark High School, Auditorium 165 E. Bagley Rd., Berea, OH 44017, and shown remotely on YouTube at the following address:

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### A. Opening Meeting

Opening Meeting Open. Mtg. A-1

Members present: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke  Roll Call A-2  
Time in: 7:00 p.m. [Minute 5:42](#)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Pledge of Allegiance A-3  
[Minute 5:51](#)

### B. Special Recognition

Dr. Neal Postel was recognized for 12 years of dedication, as a part of the BCSD Board of Education. This will be Dr. Postel's last Board Meeting. Dr. Postel B-1  
[Minute 6:16](#)

### C. Public Participation

The names and topics of participating community members are as listed: Warren Tuck, Follow-up from past Board meeting & PPRA; Doug Schwind, Thank you Dr. Postel; Rose Welch, Charter School Issue; William Boone, Teachers. Public Part. C-1  
[Minute 14:43](#)

### D. Superintendent Recommendations

Mrs. Wheeler discussed the hoax email that Big Creek received and the measures taken in response to that. Mr. Discenza shared the results of the 3rd Grade Fall Ohio State Language Arts Test. Mrs. Wheeler shared Results of Right At School Parent Surveys and an update on the World Language offerings at BMHS. Mrs. Wheeler also introduced the Raptor Visitor Management System that the district would like to implement Starting in January, in the second semester. Supt. Update D-1  
[Minute 22:16](#)

Zirke moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to approve items D-3 through D-13 of the consent agenda. Consent Agenda D-2  
**23-1211-2022**  
[Minute 1:00:11](#)  
Ayes: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke   
Nays: None

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the supplemental appointments as shown on the agenda. Supplementals D-14  
**23-1211-2023**  
[Minute 1:01:08](#)  
Ayes: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke   
Nays: None

Postel moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the quotes from Raptor for the district's Visitor Management System as shown on the agenda. Raptor D-15  
**23-1211-2024**  
[Minute 1:01:34](#)  
Ayes: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke   
Nays: None

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Mack moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the quote from Sunray Window Films, LLC, in the amount of \$27,773.00, for the purchase of Shatter Film for BPE as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	BPE Shatter Film D-16 <b>23-1211-2025</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:02:54</a>
Chapman moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the purchase of 27 cameras from CDW for BPE as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	BPE Camera Purchase D-17 <b>23-1211-2026</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:03:28</a>
Mack moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the purchase of ten cameras from CDW for Grindstone as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Grindstone Camera Purchase D-18 <b>23-1211-2027</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:04:53</a>
Zirke moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to approve the quote from Martin Public Seating for The purchase of furniture for the BMMS Behavior Unit as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	BMMS Furniture D-19 <b>23-1211-2028</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:05:22</a>
Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the quote from Martin Public Seating for The purchase of furniture for the BMHS common areas as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	BMHS Furniture D-20 <b>23-1211-2029</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:08:00</a>
Postel moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the quote from Bleachers on Demand For the delivery, set-up, mileage, labor, expenses, cleaning, tear down, and removal of bleachers for Commencement 2024 as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Bleacher Rental D-21 <b>23-1211-2030</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:08:22</a>
Mack moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the purchase of professional Timpani and Symphonic Series Chimes from Rettig Music for Berea-Midpark High School Music using ESSER funds as Shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	BMHS Music Purchase D-22 <b>23-1211-2031</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:08:42</a>
Chapman moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to approve the purchase of two kilns from Blick Art Materials for the BMMS Art, using ESSER funds as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	BMMS Kiln Purchase D-23 <b>23-1211-2032</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:09:46</a>
Chapman moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the tuition-free, 12th-grade student for 2023-2024 school year as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Tuition-Free Senior D-24 <b>23-1211-2033</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:10:13</a>
Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the district-sponsored overnight field trip For the Varsity Men's and Women's Basketball teams to Hoosier Gym in Knightstown, Indiana as shown on The agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Overnight Field Trip D-25 <b>23-1211-2034</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:10:35</a>

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Postel moved and Chapman seconded the approval of revised Board Policy - #5610 as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Board Policy D-26 <b>23-1211-2035</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:11:16</a>
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### E. Treasurer Recommendations

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Mrs. Rowe presented the November 2023 monthly report.	Treasurer's Update E-1 <a href="#">Minute 1:12:16</a>
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Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve items E3-E8 as part of the consent agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Consent Agenda E-2 <b>23-1211-2036</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:13:17</a>
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Chapman moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to authorize the Treasurer to perform the following Duty: Borrow or secure an advance draft of money, pending receipt of funds from the Cuyahoga County Treasurer or from the State Treasurer as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Treasurer Authorization E-9 <b>23-1211-2037</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:18:01</a>
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### F. Regular Business

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Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the minutes from the November 6, 2023, Regular Meeting as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Minutes Approval F-1 <b>23-1211-2038</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:19:08</a>
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Postel moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to appoint Doug Schwind to the Polaris Career Center Board of Education for a term of two (2) years (2024, 2025) as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Polaris BOE Appoint. F-2 <b>23-1211-2039</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:19:29</a>
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Chapman moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to schedule the Tax Budget/ Organizational meeting/ First Regular Meeting on January 11, 2024, as shown on the agenda. The annual Organizational Meeting. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Tax, Org, First Meeting of 2024 F-3 <b>23-1211-2040</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:22:55</a>
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Chapman moved and Postel seconded the resolution to appoint Heather Zirke as the President Pro Tempore for The annual Organizational Meeting. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	President Pro-Tempore F-4 <b>23-1211-2041</b> <a href="#">Minute 1:21:46</a>
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Mrs. Chapman discussed three bills having hearings in the next two days; HB171, HB8, and HB68. Senate Bill 83 passed out of committee and could be moving to a full house vote.	Legislative Update G-3 <a href="#">Minute 1:22:26</a>
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None BOE Comm.  
Reports G-4

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Mr. Mack attended the sixth-grade choral concert and mentioned the student's excitement. Mrs. Zirke enjoyed Meredith Ondak's holiday resource guide. Mrs. Chapman was also in attendance for the sixth-grade choral, as well as, the middle school orchestra concerts, and high school band concerts, and commented on the Outstanding music teacher teachers in the district. BOE  
Comments G-5  
[Minute 1:24:25](#)

**G. Executive Session**

Postel moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the sale of property at competitive bidding. Executive  
Session G-1  
**23-1211-2042**  
[Minute 1:26:09](#)  
Ayes: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke   
Nays: None

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Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to return to Regular Session. Regular  
Session G-2  
**23-1211-2043**  
[Minute 1:54:19](#)  
Ayes: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke   
Nays: None

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Chapman moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to approve the Purchase and Development Agreement concerning the property known as the former Smith School as shown on the agenda. Purchase &  
Development  
Agreement G-3  
**23-1211-2044**  
[Minute 1:54:59](#)  
Ayes: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke - Abstain  
Nays: None

**H. Adjournment**

Postel moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to adjourn the meeting. Adjournment  
H-1  
**23-1211-2045**  
[Minute 1:55:28](#)  
Ayes: Farris  Chapman  Mack  Postel  Zirke   
Nays: None

Time adjourned: 8:50 p.m.

Date of Approval: Jan 23, 2024 Approved: *Corinne A. Farris* Attest: *Julia A. Lovel*