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Ashland City School District Board of Education –Organizational Meeting
January 6, 2025

The Ashland City School District Board of Education met for the Organizational Meeting on Monday, January 6, 2025 at the Ashland High School Little Theater, 1440 King Road, Ashland, Ohio. Mr. John Teevan Board President Pro Tempore, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

- I. ROLL CALL** Mrs. Gina Deppert, Mrs. Pam Mowry, Mr. Tom Hart, Mr. Greg Summers, and Mr. John Teevan were present.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Pro Tempore Mr. Teevan.
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA 2025-01-001** Mrs. Deppert motioned; second by Mr. Summers to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
- IV. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**
 - A. Recognition of Fall Sport Athletes and Esports**
 - B. Reconfiguration and State of the Schools Address – Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at Archer Auditorium.**
 - C. Board of Education Regular Meeting – Monday, January 27, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. at the Administrative Offices.**
 - D. PI Levy Renewal Discussion**
- V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (O. R. C. 3313.14)**
 - A. Nominations for President.** Mr. Teevan was nominated for President. There were no other nominations.
 - B. Election of President. 2025-01-002** – Mr. Hart motioned; second by Mrs. Deppert to close nominations and elect Mr. Teevan as President of the Board of Education for 2024. Motion carried, 4-0. Mr. Teevan abstained. Mr. Teevan assumed the chair as President.
 - C. Nominations for Vice President.** Mrs. Mowry was nominated for Vice President. There were no other nominations.
 - D. Election of Vice President. 2025-01-003**—Mr. Summers motioned; second by Mr. Hart to close nominations and elect Mrs. Mowry as Vice-President of the Board of Education for 2024. Motion carried, 4-0. Mrs. Mowry abstained. Mrs. Mowry assumed the chair as Vice-President.
- VI. APPOINTMENT TO ASHLAND COUNTY-WEST HOLMES CAREER CENTER BOARD OF EDUCATION**
 - A. Appointment 2025-01-004** Mrs. Mowry motioned; second by Mr. Summers to appoint Jason Chio and Gina Deppert to the Ashland City School District seats on the Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center Board of Education, effective January 2025, for a three-year term ending December 31, 2028. Motion carried 4-0. Mrs. Deppert abstained.
- VII. ESTABLISHMENT OF REGULAR MEETING DATES AND TIMES (O.R.C. 3313.15)**
2025-01-005 Mr. Hart motioned; second by Mrs. Mowry to approve the dates of Regular Board Meetings and Work Sessions beginning at 5:30 p.m. and Work Sessions beginning at 5:30 p.m. as follows, to be held at the Ashland City School District Administrative Offices unless otherwise noted. Motion carried 5-0.

2nd Monday of each month – work Session 5:30 P.M. *If needed

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4th Monday of each month – Regular Session 5:30 P.M.

JANUARY 27, 2025	
FEBRUARY 10, 2025 *	JULY 28, 2025
FEBRUARY 24, 2025	AUGUST 11, 2025 *
MARCH 10, 2025 *	AUGUST 25, 2025
MARCH 24, 2025	SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 *
APRIL 14, 2025 *	SEPTEMBER 22, 2025
APRIL 28, 2025	OCTOBER 13, 2025 *
MAY 5, 2025 (1st Monday)	OCTOBER 27, 2025
MAY 19, 2025 (3rd Monday)	NOVEMBER 2025 NO WORK SESSION
JUNE 9, 2025 *	(OSBA Conference)
JUNE 23, 2025	NOVEMBER 24, 2025
JULY 2025 NO WORK SESSION	DECEMBER 2025 – NO WORK SESSION
	DECEMBER 15, 2025 (3rd Monday)

VIII. BOARD SERVICE FUND (O.R.C. 3313.15) 2025-01-006 Mrs. Deppert motioned; second by Mrs. Mowry to approve a Board Service Fund of \$5,000 from which reimbursement can be made to Board Members and the official representatives of the Board for expenses incurred for meetings wherein they represent the Ashland City School District.-Motion carried 5-0.

IX. STANDING AUTHORIZATIONS 2025-01-007 Mrs. Deppert motioned; second by Mr. Summers to adopt the following standing authorizations to allow for efficient financial management and full execution of duties by the Treasurer, Board President, and Superintendent.-Motion carried 5-0.

1. Advances on Tax Settlements: Authorization for the Treasurer to secure advances on local taxes from the County Auditor when funds are available and payable to the district.
2. Investment of Inactive Funds: Authorization for the Treasurer to invest inactive and interim funds at the most productive interest rate whenever such funds are available in accordance with the District Investment Policy. The Depository Accounts are with Huntington Bank.
3. Payment of Bills: Authorization for the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriation resolution as bills are received and when, if applicable, the merchandise has been received in good condition.
4. Borrowing Authority: Authorization for the Treasurer and Board President to borrow funds, if needed, within the limitations established by state and federal laws.
5. Issuing Purchase Orders: Authorization for Administration to issue Purchase Orders within adopted appropriations.
6. Employment of Staff: Authorization for the Superintendent, during periods when this Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of this Board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of this Board, subject to a subsequent vote of ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, the employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee’s acceptance of the Superintendent’s offer.
7. Accepting Resignations: Authorization for the Superintendent, on behalf of this Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to

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ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.

8. Agents of the Board: Authorization to designate and authorize the Superintendent, or his designee, and the Treasurer to act as agents of the Board of Education in the application of all grants; to authorize the completion of all grant applications; and to authorize the Treasurer to appropriate funds for grants awarded, including the advancement of funds for later reimbursement when required by grant terms, without further Board approval.
9. Debt Service Resolution: Authorization for the Treasurer to complete all necessary fund-to-fund transfers to pay debt obligations.
10. Donations to the Ashland City School District Resolution: Authorization for the Superintendent and Treasurer to accept all donations to the school district on behalf of the Board of Education.
11. Appropriation Resolution Modifications: Authorization for the Treasurer to modify the appropriation resolution to re-direct funds previously appropriated to other appropriation accounts as requested by the Superintendent or his designee, provided that total fund appropriations are not increased and that the modifications are presented to the Board for ratification on or before the last day of the fiscal year.
12. Five-Year Financial Forecasts: Authorization for the Treasurer to file amended Five-Year Financial Forecasts with the proper State authorities.
13. Blanket Purchase Orders: Authorization of a blanket purchase order pursuant to Section 6320 of the Ashland City School District Board Policy, the Board hereby Authorizes the issuance of "blanket" purchase orders (certificates) by the District Treasurer, in the amount not to exceed \$400,000.
14. Beverages and Meals as a Public Purpose: The Board of Education authorizes, as a public purpose, the provision of meal and/or beverages to employees and attendees during meetings as a means of improving efficiency as authorized by the Superintendent.

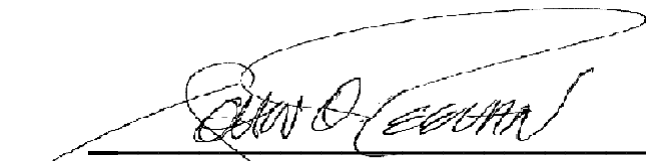
X. ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2026 TAX BUDGET 2025-01-008 Mrs. Mowry motioned; second by Mr. Hart to approve the Treasurer's recommendation of the budget covering the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 be adopted, and that the Treasurer be directed to submit copies as required to the Ashland County Budget Commission. Public hearing was held at 10:00 a.m. on December 20, 2024–Motion carried 5-0.

XI. MINIMUM WAGE 2025-01-009 Mrs. Mowry motioned; second by Mr. Summers to approve a change in the classified substitute pay rate to \$10.70 per hour. This rate increase is in accordance with the State of Ohio minimum wage increase effective January 1, 2025. The substitute categories that will be affected are CBI, COE, ISD Parapro, Noon Duty, Bus Duty, Summer Workers in addition to Casual Field Technicians. Motion carried 5-0.

XII. NUTRITION STANDARDS POLICY 2025-01-010 Mrs. Deppert motioned; second by Mrs. Mowry to approve a nutrition standards policy that considers the requirements of Ohio Revised Code 3313.814 and governs the types of food and beverages that may be sold on the premises of the Ashland City School District. Motion carried 5-0.

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- XIII. PUBLIC RECORD TRAINING (BOARD OF ELECTION CYCLE) 2025-01-011** Mr. Hart motioned; second by Mrs. Mowry to approve the Treasurer as designee, or other designees as appointed by the Treasurer, to attend Public Records Training on behalf of the Board of Education members as required by ORC 109.43. Motion carried 5-0.
- XIV. LEGAL COUNSEL 2025-01-012** Mrs. Deppert motioned; second by Mr. Summers to approve employment of the following legal firms for use on an as needed basis:
- Bricker & Graydon LLP
Pepple & Waggoner Ltd.
Peters Kalail & Markakis Co., L.P.A.
Squire Patton Boggs
Bob DeSanto
- Motion carried 5-0.
- XV. DIABETES MEDICATION PRICING LITIGATION 2025-01-013** Mrs. Deppert motioned; second by Mrs. Mowry to approve a Resolution authorizing commencement of Diabetes Medication Pricing Litigation (EXHIBIT B). Motion carried 5-0
- XVI. REPRESENTATION IN THE DIABETES MEDICATION PRICING LITIGATION 2025-01-014** Mr. Summers motioned; second by Mr. Hart to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation of a contract between the Ashland City School District Board of Education, Frantz Law Group, APLC, and Peters Kalail & Markakis Co., L.P.A. for representation in the Diabetes Medication Pricing Litigation. (EXHIBIT C) Motion carried 5-0.
- XVII. JIM MINNICH MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND 2025-01-015** Mrs. Mowry motioned; second by Mrs. Deppert to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation of two endowments, the Jim Minnich Memorial Endowment Fund, FBO AHS Arrow Football and the Jim Minnich Memorial Endowment Fund, FBO AHS Arrow Boys’ Basketball that have been established through the Ashland County Community Foundation. (EXHIBIT D) Motion carried 5-0
- XVIII. ADJOURNMENT 2025-01-016** Mr. Summers motioned; second by Mr. Hart to adjourn the 2025 Organizational meeting at 6:12 p.m. –Motion carried 5-0.



Mr. John Teevan, President

Kyle Klingler, Treasurer

IMPORTANT

January 20, 2025	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	NO SCHOOL	
January 22, 2025	Reconfiguration and State of the Schools Address	Archer Auditorium	7:00 p.m.
January 27, 2025	Regular Board Meeting	Administrative Offices	5:30 p.m.
February 10, 2025	Work Session	Administrative Offices	5:30 p.m.
February 24, 2024	Regular Board Meeting	Administrative Offices	5:30 p.m.