

HILLSDALE SCHOOLS
479 TR 1902, Jeromesville, Ohio 44805
BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
Tuesday, January 14, 2025
6:45 PM
Hillsdale Board Office Entryway

Organizational Meeting

I. Call to Order by President Pro Tempore Mrs. Vella King.

II. Roll Call of Members

_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs. King, _____ Mr. Smith,
_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

III. Election of Board President and Vice President

A. Nomination/s for Board President:

_____ nominated _____ for Board President

_____ nominated _____ for Board President

Recommendation that nominations for Board President be closed.

1. _____ 2. _____

Recommendation to elect _____

as President of the Hillsdale Local Board of Education for 2025.

_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs. King, _____ Mr. Smith,
_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

B. Nomination/s for Board Vice President:

_____ nominated _____ for Vice President

_____ nominated _____ for Vice President

Recommendation that nominations for Board Vice President be closed.

1. _____ 2. _____

Recommendation to elect _____

As Vice President of the Hillsdale Local Board of Education for 2024.

_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs.King, _____ Mr. Smith,

_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

IV. Business Procedure

- A. May I have a motion to Recommend the Proposed Tax Budget be approved for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. (The public hearing was held on January 14, 2025 at 6:30 PM).

Moved by _____, seconded by _____

_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs.King, _____ Mr. Smith,

_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

- B. May I have a motion to approve board meeting dates, times and locations for 2025 -(3rd Monday of each month with the exception of January):

February 17, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
March 17, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
April 21, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
May 19, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
June 16, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
July 21, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
August 18, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
September 15, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
October 20, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
November 17, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway
December 15, 2025	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway

January 12, 2026 *	6:30 PM	Board Office Conference Room (Budget Hearing)
	6:45 PM	Board Office Entryway (Organizational Mtg.)
	7:00 PM	Board Office Entryway

Moved by _____, seconded by _____

_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs. King, _____ Mr. Smith,
_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

C. May I have a motion to approve all Standing Authorizations for 2025:

STANDING AUTHORIZATIONS - 2025

1. Advance on Tax Settlements – authorization for the Treasurer to secure advances from the Auditor when funds are available and payable to the school district.
2. Investment of Inactive Funds – authorization for the Treasurer to invest inactive funds at the most productive interest rate whenever inactive funds are available.
3. Authorize the Treasurer to invest inactive funds up to a maximum of **\$20,000,000.00** and interim funds at the most productive interest rate whenever interim and/or inactive funds are available.
4. Authorize the Treasurer to approve every depository bank, covered by FDIC, for future deposits.
5. Payment of Bills – authorize the Treasurer to pay all contractual obligations, payrolls of all kinds, utilities, freight and expense bills, postage, auto expenses and bond retirement and interest. This is for ease of operation, to make prompt payment of obligations. All payments are to be within the adopted appropriations.
6. Employment of Temporary Personnel – authorization for the Superintendent to employ personnel as needed for emergency situations. Such employments to be presented for approval by the Board at the next regular meeting.
7. Appointment of Purchasing Agent – authorize the Superintendent to serve as the purchasing agent for the school district and authorizes the purchasing agent to approve purchases up to \$50,000 without further Board action.

8. Board Service Fund – established under Fund 022-9025 in accordance with section 3315.15 of the Ohio Revised Code to allow for authorizing board transfers annually to cover professional development for board members.
9. The Superintendent and/or Treasurer be permitted to attend seminars, meetings, and conferences that constitute informative and professional growth for the benefit of the school district without further Board of Education action and that reasonable expenses in connection therewith be allowed. It is also recommended that the Superintendent be authorized to approve staff attendance at professional conferences and workshops.
10. Compliance with the Civil Rights Act – said Board in the expenditure of federal funds continues to comply with the Civil Rights act of 1965 and with all other appropriate state and federal statutes, standards and regulations.
11. Participation in State or Federal Projects – authorization for the Superintendent, without further action by said Board, to apply on behalf of said district to participate in any federal or state project or program for which approval by said Board is required. Authorize the Treasurer to pay stipends in the amount specified to Community Members/Staff Members when authorized by grant applications, i.e. Local Professional Development Committee, etc.
12. Virtual Programs to meet student needs – The Superintendent has the authority to assign students to Virtual Learning Programs as an Education Option and approve teachers to be compensated at the rate of \$250.00 for a full credit class and \$125.00 for a half credit class.
13. Unless otherwise delegated by the Superintendent, the Superintendent shall serve in all capacities that require an annual Board of Education appointment to implement adopted Board policies.
14. The Board believes it is important to demonstrate appreciation to its employees. The Board authorizes the Superintendent to identify unique means of demonstrating the Board's appreciation. The following are examples of forms of this appreciation, but is not limited to: refreshments, small gifts, plaques, awards, flowers.
15. Authorize the Treasurer to annually balance all Student Activity Accounts within the parameters of Board approved appropriations.

16. Authorize the approval of Tri-County Educational Service Center and Mid Ohio Educational Service Center monthly revisions to the Substitute Teacher List for the calendar year and the Tri-County Educational Service Center Tutor Directory for the current school year.
17. Authorize 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.
18. Authorize 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 ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.
19. Authorize the Treasurer to approve the tuition rate annually, as set by the Ohio Department of Education.
20. Authorize the Superintendent to approve the attendance at special schools outside the district as needed; i.e. physically handicapped students for the upcoming school year.
21. Authorize the Superintendent, on behalf of this Board to accept Open Enrollment students per the Board adopted Open Enrollment Policy #JECBB.
22. Authorize the Superintendent, or designee, on behalf of this Board, to approve Facility Use Applications.
23. Authorize the Superintendent to approve payment in lieu of transportation when needed.
24. Authorize the Superintendent to enter into agreements for services with Ohio School Boards Association including Legal Assistance Fund (LAF) and Web Policy.
25. Authorize the Treasurer as the person responsible for public records and retention.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____
_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs. King, _____ Mr. Smith,
_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

D. May I have a Recommendation to approve the following:

1. Student Achievement Liaison _____

to act as a Representative between the Board and the Ohio School Boards Association for student achievement updates.

Alternate _____.

2. Legislative Liaison _____,

to act as a Representative between the Board and Ohio School Boards Association for legislative updates.

Alternate _____.

3. Board Member Delegate to the OSBA Small School District Advisory Network (SSDAN) _____,

Alternate _____.

4. Representatives of the Board of Education to serve on the Negotiation Teams

HEA: _____ and _____

OAPSE: _____ and _____

Moved by _____, seconded by _____

_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs. King, _____ Mr. Smith,
_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

E. May I have a motion to Appoint _____ as representative to the Ashland County West-Holmes Career Center Board of Education effective January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____
_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs.King, _____ Mr. Smith,
_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.

V. Discussion/Information Items

- A. Per Ohio Revised Code 3313.202, Board Members may elect to be covered by the school district health insurance plan at no cost to the Board.

VI. Adjournment of Organizational Meeting

Moved by _____, seconded by _____ to adjourn the Organizational Meeting.

_____ Mr. Burkholder, _____ Mrs.King, _____ Mr. Smith,
_____ Ms. Turk, _____ Mr. Yeater.