

Regular Meeting Poland Board of Education held February 5, 2025***Mission Statement******Educate, empower and inspire every student at every opportunity.***

Mr. Jeff Lewis read the Mission Statement.

The Regular meeting of the Poland Board of Education was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at Dobbins Board of Education Room, 3030 Dobbins Road, Poland, Ohio 44514.

Pledge of Allegiance

President, Mr. Riddle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present for roll call and answering their names were Mr. Sabrin, Dr. Dinopoulos, Mrs. Elia, Mr. Riddle and Mr. Warren.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

Board Members were given the opportunity to remove any item from the consent agenda and to be considered separately, there were no comments.

Treasurer/CFO: Janet Muntean**INFORMATIONAL:**

- Red Tree Investment Discussion – Treasurer Muntean discussed possible investment options with Redtree Investment Group. A lengthy discussion took place. Mrs. Muntean will follow up with answers to questions that were asked along with what a reconciliation might look like should the district proceed.
- Ohio Schools Council FY24 Certificate of Savings – Treasurer Muntean shared with the Board, Poland Local's FY24 Certificate of Savings because of being a partner with Ohio Schools Council. FY24 savings from various vendors were over \$63,000. Mrs. Muntean and Mr. McKenzie have a meeting scheduled with the OSC, Director of Business Services, to discuss the other vendors the district utilizes and how to maximize even greater savings moving forward.

Superintendent's Recommendations: Craig Hockenberry

Moved by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Sabrin to approve the following 1-4 consent agenda recommendations as presented: **Resolution #2025-17.**

HR/Staffing

1. The Board approves the resignation of the following certified employee for the 2025-2026 School Year. All necessary paperwork on file.
Taylor Marino - Intervention Specialist at Poland Middle School
2. The Board accepts the retirement of the following certified employee for the 2025-2026 School Year. All necessary paperwork on file.
Suzanne James - 2nd Grade Teacher at McKinley - Effective 9/1/2025
3. The Board accepts the retirement of the following classified employee for the 2025-2026 School Year. All necessary paperwork on file.
Pamela Kampfer - Prep/Server/Cashier - Effective 9/1/2025

Curriculum/Instruction

4. The Board approves the partnership with Kent State University's College Credit Plus (CCP) program for the upcoming 2025-2026 academic year. Attached is the Kent State University College Credit Plus Memorandum (MOU) *Reviewed by the Boards Legal Counsel*

Roll call: All Members present voting aye. Motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent Not Included in Consent**CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION****Approval of Preservice Teachers as Substitutes – Resolution #2025-18**

Dr. Dinopoulos moved, and Mr. Sabrin seconded the resolution to approve Preservice Teachers as Substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year and beyond. *Reviewed by the Boards Legal Counsel.*

After further discussion regarding the appropriate age of a student teacher for specific grade levels, Mrs. Elia moved to table this item and Mr. Sabrin seconded the motion so further information can be obtained. **Motion to table was approved 5-0.**

POLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Review Poland Board of Education Policies, listed below, as presented for the first reading. Second reading and approval on February 19, 2025, at the regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education.

- 5136.01 - Electronic Equipment (Revised Policy - Special Update - SB 29)
- 6460 - Vendor Relations (Revised Policy - Special Update - SB 29)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- DISCUSSION: Evaluation of the Treasurer; Evaluation of the Superintendent.
The following policies were reviewed and discussed. The policies will be presented for revision at a future date to clarify and align the terminology between periodically and annual for which the evaluations should be conducted. (ie; change policies to annual by August 1st)
 - PO1110 Assessment of District Goals
 - PO1210 Board-Superintendent Relationship
 - PO1240 Evaluation of the Superintendent
 - PO1330 Evaluation of Treasurer

Adjourn the Meeting – Resolution #2025-19

At 6:58 p.m., Dr. Dinopoulos moved, and Mr. Warren seconded with all board members present signaling aye to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned.

Treasurer

President

2/5/2025