January 14, 2025

5:00 p.m.

Fredericktown Local School District Administration Building

1 Call To Order

The Fredericktown Local Board of Education met in ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING on January 14, 2025 in the Administration Building. Board Chair, Kristine Lindeman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and noted the following members present: Nathan Bellman, Donald Falk, Kristine Lindeman, Paul Napier and Shelly Wenger. Also present: Gary Chapman and Heather Darnold.

2 Roll Call

The following members answered roll call, Nathan Bellman, Donald Falk, Kristine Lindeman, Paul Napier and Shelly Wenger.

3 Approval of Board Agenda

25-001 Mr. Falk moved, seconded by Mrs. Wenger, for approval of the prepared Board meeting agenda.

On roll call, voting yes:
Falk, Wenger, Bellman, Lindeman, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

4 Unfinished Business of 2024

25-002 Mr. Bellman moved, seconded by Mr. Napier, to accept there is no unfinished business to discuss.

On roll call, voting yes:
Bellman, Napier, Falk, Lindeman, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

5 Dissolution of 2024 Board of Education *sine die*

25-003 Board Chair Lindeman called for the discussion of any unfinished business items. There being none, Mr. Napier moved, seconded by Mr. Falk, for the dissolution of the 2024 Fredericktown Local Board of Education *sine die*.

On roll call, voting yes:
Napier, Falk, Bellman, Lindeman, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

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6 Election of the 2025 Board President and Vice President

25-004 Board Chair Lindeman called for nominations for the position of 2025 Board President.

a. Mr. Bellman nominated Mrs. Kristine Lindeman for Board President for calendar year 2025.
b. Election of Board President Mrs. Lindeman.
   On roll call, voting yes:
   Bellman, Falk, Napier, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 4-0
   Mrs. Lindeman abstained
c. Mrs. Lindeman assumes office
d. Mr. Bellman nominated Mrs. Shelly Wenger as Vice President for calendar year 2025
e. Election of Vice President Mrs. Wenger
   On roll call voting yes:
   Bellman, Falk, Lindeman, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 4-0
   Mrs. Wenger abstained
f. Committee Appointments by the President

Knox County Career Center	Kristine Lindeman
Fredericktown Community Develop.	Kristine Lindeman
Business Advisory Council	Nathan Bellman
Policy Liaison	Donald Falk/Paul Napier

Legislative/Advocacy Liaison	Shelly Wenger
Finance Committee	Heather Darnold, Gary Chapman Donald Falk/Kristine Lindeman

On roll call voting yes:
Wenger, Bellman, Falk, Lindeman, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

7a-f Treasurer's Recommendations
Close of Fiscal Year 2025, Pay All Debts, Establish a Service Fund, Investment of Interim Funds, Authority to Request Advance of Local Taxes and Authority to Transfer or Advance Funds

25-005 Upon recommendation of Treasurer Heather Darnold, Mr. Falk moved, seconded by Mr. Napier to approve the Treasurers Consent Recommendations for 2025:

a. To authorize the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances, adjustments in appropriations in all funds to complete business and to amend Certificate of Estimated Resources based on actual amount received for Fiscal Year 2025 and report said changes to the Board.
b. To Authorize the Treasurer to pay all debts of the Board of Education within the limits of the Board approved appropriations.
c. To establish a service fund of $7,000 in accordance with O.R.C. 3315.15 to cover expenses for Board members or their respective representatives when on business to promote the welfare of the Fredericktown Local School District.
d. To authorize the Treasurer to invest interim and active funds at the most productive rate whenever such monies are available to invest with Park National Bank, StarOhio, or for U.S. Treasury Bonds providing they are legal investments for school districts. All other investments require prior Board approval.
e. To authorize the Treasurer to request the advance of local taxes from the County Auditor any time such funds should become available and payable to the School District.
f. To transfer or advance funds if such is necessary prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Additionally, the Board authorizes the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances and adjustments, if appropriate, in all funds to complete business for the calendar or fiscal year and report said changes to the Board.

On roll call, voting yes:
Falk, Napier, Bellman, Lindeman, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

8a-j Superintendent's Recommendations
Establish date, time, and place for Regular Board of Education, Meeting Compensation, Purchasing Agent, State and Federal Programs, Appointment of Official Newspaper, Extracurricular Transportation Cost, Activity Budget Accounts, Initiate Legal Action, Accepting Resignations and Hiring Staff Between Board Meetings

25-006 Upon recommendation of Superintendent Gary Chapman, Mr. Bellman moved, seconded by Mrs. Wenger to approve the Superintendent's Consent Recommendations for 2025:

a. To establish date, time and place for regular Board of Education Meetings. Voted to continue the second Tuesday of each month, at 5:30 p.m., in the Administration Building Board Room for monthly Board of Education Meetings.
b. To set the meeting compensation for Board members at the maximum rate allowed by for a maximum of 14 paid meetings per year as per the Ohio Revised Code 3313.12.
c. To appoint the Superintendent as the District Purchasing Agent for the Board of Education.
d. To grant authority to Superintendent to apply for, establish budgets, authorize Treasurer to set up accounts, receive and expend funds and to make reports concerning State and Federal Grants.
e. To appoint "Knox Pages" and "Mount Vernon News" to be designated as the District's official daily newspaper due to the legal requirement of giving 24 hours' notice to the public for special Board meetings.
f. To approve the use of Board funds to pay for the transportation costs of approved extracurricular activities.
g. To grant authority to the Superintendent to approve the activity account budgets and approve modifications when deemed appropriate.
h. To authorize the Superintendent to initiate legal action on behalf of the Board of

Education to protect its legal interests.

i. To authorize the Superintendent to accept resignations that have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session. Such resignations shall be deemed effective as the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance. The resignation will be taken to the Board at the next meeting.

j. 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. The employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer. The employment recommendation will be taken to the Board at the next meeting.

On roll call, voting yes:
Bellman, Wenger, Falk, Lindeman, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

9 Adjournment

25-007 Mr. Falk moved, seconded by Mrs. Wenger, for adjournment of the ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION Board meeting.

On roll call, voting yes:
Falk, Wenger, Bellman, Lindeman, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 5:08 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Treasurer, Board of Education