

The Delphos Board of Education met in regular session February 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the District Office

The following members were present:

Mrs. Lynn Bockey
Mrs. Karen Grothouse

Mrs. Tina Brinkman
Mrs. Rebecca Suever

Mr. Jason Grogg

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Bockey.

Approval of Agenda

The Delphos City Schools Board of Education is being asked to consider a number of items together in one motion (following a consent agenda format). These items are presented under the "Treasurer's Report" and under the "Superintendent's Report" sections of this agenda. Board members should review these items and request any item(s) he or she would like to have considered separately removed from the consent recommendation and included for a separate Board decision.

Motion by Mrs. Brinkman
Seconded by Mrs. Grothouse

Roll call vote: Mrs. Brinkman, Mrs. Grothouse, Mr. Grogg, Mrs. Suever and Mrs. Bockey, aye.

Nay, None. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Laura Peters went over the agenda items with the board. She informed the board that she had attended a full day training on Student Activities/Booster groups, stating it was a great refresher and that there have been a few changes that will need to be implemented with next school year. Mrs. Peters also attended the quarterly Auditor of State Committee meeting as well.

Treasurer: Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approve January 27, 2025, Regular Board of Education meeting minutes (Attachment A)
- B. Approve financial statements for the period January 1, 2025, through January 31, 2025
 - Payment of invoices for reporting period. (Attachment B)
 - Fund balance statement (Attachment C)
 - Cash Reconciliation worksheet (Attachment D)
 - Investment report (Attachment E)
 - Appropriation account summary and revenue account information reports (per email)
 - Approve the additional appropriations and revenues (Attachment F)
- C. Approve the additional pays for January. (Listed below)

Class Coverage \$30: Ryan Fisher, Kristin Gable, Brenda Gallmeier, Josh Hilgenberg, Esther Hittle, Alicia Koester, Jon Kroeger, Amos Place, Amanda L. Smith, Kalie Ulm

Class Coverage \$60: Rebekah Dubey, Kelsi Gillespie, Jeff Rex, Jessica Spencer
Class Coverage \$90: Elizabeth Beaubien
Stephanie Braun Board Policy \$137.30
Cindy Redmon Tutoring \$77.63

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- D. Approval of the 2025 Permanent Appropriation Resolution of the Delphos Public Library.
(Attachment G)

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- E. Approve Resolution for Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission.
- F. Accept a grant in the amount of \$3,000 from the Cooper Family Foundation to be used by the middle school principal as per the grant application and authorize the treasurer to set up fund 019 with special cost center of 9425 to administer the grant.

Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the regular agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes?

Motion by Mr. Grogg
Seconded by Mrs. Brinkman

Roll call vote: Mr. Grogg, Mrs. Brinkman, Mrs. Grothouse, Mrs. Suever and Mrs. Bockey, aye.

Nay, None. Motion passed.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Jeff Hobbs introduced Maureen Rentz Special Education Supervisor. Mrs. Rentz gave a presentation on the districts 24-25 special education profile. She explained the different sections of the reports and how the district fared on the report meeting the guidelines. There were several sections that the district did very well and a couple that need not meet the standard due to various reasons. Some sections you have no control over such as not having enough minority students served.

Mrs. Stephanie Braun then gave a report on the preschool program. The staff is currently working on collecting data for the spring ELA and third quarter progress reports as well as working on classroom self-assessment action plans, professional development plans and the continuous improvement plan for the program. Mrs. Braun noted that the preschool staff has done approximately 180 professional development hours this school year. The staff is working on receiving their Ohio PROMISE Professional Early Childhood Inclusion Credential (PECIC) – Level 2 Knowledgeable credential through the Ohio Department of Children & Youth.

Mr. Bob Hohlbein spoke about the happening at Franklin Elementary. All grade K-3 and all intervention students completed their winter aimswebPLUS benchmarking tests in January. Grades 2 and 4 completed the IOWA and CogAT assessments to meet the state requirements for identifying Gifted Students in the district. He noted the students are currently participating in the Ft. Wayne TinCaps Reading Program as well as the Pizza Hut Book-It Program.

Mr. Hohlbein informed the board that Franklin Elementary was recognized by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce for earning the Overall 5-Star Award for the 2023-2024 Ohio School Report Card. Franklin Elementary was also referenced in the Lima News in an article about area schools transition to the Science of Reading and having success meeting the Ohio Third Grade Guarantee.

Franklin was mentioned as one of the few area schools that has had a 100% passage rate in All 10 years that the Third Grade Guarantee has been in effect in Ohio.

Mr. Hobbs then went over the agenda items in more detail with the board.

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Superintendent's Consent Agenda Items

A. Employment

1. Non-Certified

a. Classified Supplemental Employment

- Trent Teman, Volunteer Track
- Kyrstin Moore Volunteer Softball

B. Accept the Following Donations:

- \$35.00 anonymous donation to HS Principal Fund
- \$1,000.00 from Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op to be used for (PBIS) Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports and MS (SWAG) Students Who Advocate for Greatness at Jefferson MS.

C. Approve the OSBA new/revised policies (Attachment H)

1) Approve the OSBA new/revised policies

Updates to the following:

- BDC: Executive Sessions

D. Approve the College Credit Plus agreement with Tiffin University for the 2025-2026 school year.

E. Approve the Affiliation Agreement with Ball State University for student teaching and pre-student teaching placements in the Delphos City Schools for the 2025-2026 school year.

F. Approve authorization for the Delphos City Schools' 2025-2026 membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association.

Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the regular agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes?

Motion Mrs. Suever

Seconded Mrs. Brinkman

Roll call vote: Mrs. Suever, Mrs. Brinkman, Mrs. Grothouse, Mr. Grogg and Mrs. Bockey

Nay, None

Motion passed.

Committee Reports

1. Operations, Budget, and Fiscal Affairs had no report.
2. Community, Communications and Strategic Planning there will be a meeting with both school's guidance counselors to decide on how to proceed with the Hometown Heros program.

3. Student Life, Athletics and Alumni had no report.
4. Personnel, Policy, and Governance waiting on new policy release to schedule a meeting.
5. Vantage Career Center was holding their open house tonight. They have received 397 applications from juniors wishing to enroll for next school year.

WILDCAT “PAWS-ITIVIES” were given by Mr. Hobbs to Sister Immacolata for her speaking to students here at Jefferson and to Dave Kroeger for decorating the Landeck Church for Christmas every year. Becca Suever commended the volunteers who made the Youth Basketball Tournament a success. Lynn Bockey thanked the teachers who step up to help cover other teachers’ classrooms when needed to keep us in school. Mr. Hobbs also recognized James Ridenour and Isla Martin for their placings at the Allen County Spelling Bee. Kearn Grothouse also recognized student Adrian Sosa Rodriguez on being so polite and a joy to speak with. Tina Brinkman recognized the Honor Students from both band and choir, the winter sports athletes and the two wrestlers moving on to districts for a job well done.

ADJOURNMENT

It is recommended that the Board move to adjourn the January 27, 2025, regular meeting of Delphos City Schools Board of Education at the time of 5:43 pm.

Motion by Mrs. Grothouse
Seconded Mrs. Suever

Roll call vote: Mrs. Grothouse, Mrs. Suever, Mr. Grogg, Mrs. Brinkman and Mrs. Bockey, aye.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be March 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the District Office.

President, Lynn Bockey

Treasurer, Laura A. Peters