

Regular Meeting

December 16, 2024

Call To Order & Roll Call The Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education met for a regular meeting on Monday, December 16, 2024, at the Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education.

President Warner called the meeting to order.

The following members responded to roll call:

Mr. Warner, President	Present
Mrs. Sanderson, Vice President	Present
Mrs. Blankenship, Member	Present
Ms. Griffith, Member	Present
Ms. Rhonemus, Member	Present

Pledge The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

RECOGNITIONS

The first order of business was superintendent recognitions. Mr. Sexton opened the meeting by discussing the success of fall sports and each team and their coaches in the 2024 season. Prior to each team being introduced, Mr. Sexton introduced Mrs. Leigh Ann Allemang to the board and congratulated her for being named as the Ohio State Middle School Math Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Allemang is a truly dedicated, hard working, staff member that deserves this award.

Next, Mr. Zink introduced the boys soccer team and coach, Jason West, who was absent at the board meeting. Mr. Zink noted the boys soccer team has won the league championship ten or eleven years in a row. Members of the team taking All SHAC Conference Players were Noah Bitzer, Jay Cordrey, Isaac Eyre, and Braedon West. Braedon West was also named as SHAC Player of the Year. Jay Cordrey and Isaac Eyre named first team, Braedon West, Cody Bell, and Noah Bitzer was named to the second team, and honorable mention went to Elam Faust and Aric Slack. Braedon West and Isaac Eyre were named All Ohio Soccer Players for 2024. Jason West was named as SHAC Coach of the Year, as well as District Coach of the Year. Landon West was named as the District Assistant Coach of the Year. Each team member was then introduced and asked to step forward for an award.

Mr. Zink then introduced the girls soccer team as SHAC League Champions and District Champions for 2024. Team members earning SHAC Players of the Year were Addie Downing, Aubrey Slack, Miranda Smith, Olivia Van Fleet, and Allie Waits. Olivia Van Fleet was named as SHAC and All Ohio Girls Player of the Year. All District honors went to Abrey Slack and Olivia Van Fleet as First Team, Miranda Smith and Allie Waits as second team, Addie Downing and Lily Layne as honorable mention. Dennis West was named as SHAC Coach of the Year and Shelby Chisman was named as Assistant Coach of the Year. Mr. Zink then introduced each player and asked them to step forward for an award.

Mr. Zink introduced the boys cross country team. The boys cross country team were the 2024 SHAC Champions, District Champions, and qualified for state for the first time in Lynchburg-Clay history. Earning All SHAC honors in cross country was Asher Faust, Kyler Fite, Tavion Huguely, and Wyatt Osborn. All District honors went to Kyler Fite, Asher Faust, and Wyatt Osborn. Mr. Todd Faust won SHAC Coach of the Year. Mr. Zink then introduced each team member and asked them to step forward for their awards.

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GREAT OAKS REPORT

Mrs. Blankenship gave the Great Oaks report for December 2024. The Live Oaks JROTC Female Team was honored by the board of directors for winning the National US Army Raiders Competition in October, and three other national competitions over the past 3 years.

Heritage Oaks awards were presented to Great Oaks Board Members Susan Blankenship, Michael Harlow, Dave Rogers, Toya Wall, Amber Ballard, Kyle Nicholas, Al Long, Mark Chrisman, Fred Hunt, Ron Friend, and Katheryn Lorenz.

The Great Oaks Board approved the Talent Ready Grant in the amount of \$95,588.00. This grant will be used to improve the Adult Workforce Development Program by strengthening Ohio's education and workforce training efforts.

The board also voted to approve the lowest reasonable bid for construction of the Diamond Oaks Campus dental and welding labs at a cost of \$1,724,849.00.

Last, Ted Kirkpatrick, President of the Great Oaks Education Foundation Charitable Organization, presented an update on the foundation's objectives, activities, finances, and goals for 2025.

- 14363-24
Approve
Minutes

Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on November 21, 2024.

Voice vote. All members voted yea. President Warner declared the motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

- 14364-24
Financial &
Investment
Reports

Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to approve the financial and investment reports as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.
- 14365-24
Approve
Bills

Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to approve the list of bills as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

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14366-24
Cafeteria
Report

Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to approve the cafeteria report as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14367-24
Accept
Donations

accept the donations as presented by the treasurer.

Voice vote. All members voted yea. President Warner declared the motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr Sexton asked the board to accept the resignation of Jamie Wolf, effective 12/31/24. Mrs. Wolf is resigning as a bus driver as a result of a change in her spouse's medical insurance coverage. If Mrs. Wolf continued to work for Lynchburg-Clay, she would be forced to purchase a single medical plan through Lynchburg-Clay and from a financial standpoint it would benefit her to resign and stay on her husband's medical insurance plan.

Mr Sexton is requesting approval to hire Mr. Travis Schaffer as a new full-time substitute bus driver. Mr. Schaffer has been driving a bus for Milford City Schools and would replace Mrs. Wolf as of January 1, 2025.

Mr. Sexton is asking to approve Makayla Griffith as a sub teacher. Ms. Griffith has been at Lynchburg-Clay to fulfill her student teaching requirements and would love to work here.

Mr. Sexton is asking the board to approve two new applicants: Savannah Barrett as a sub cook and classroom/office aid and Carrie Mongold as a sub custodian pending background checks. School districts are looking for substitutes in all positions and we are fortunate to have applicants.

Finally, Mr. Sexton is asking the board to approve the resignation of Speech Pathologist, Jean Linton, effective 7/31/2025. Ms. Linton would like to travel and explore other avenues in her life.

Consent Agenda

1. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Jamie Wolf, effective, 12/31/24.
2. Recommendation to approve the hiring of Travis Shaffer, bus driver, to replace Jamie Wolf.
3. Recommendation to approve Mikayla Griffith as a sub teacher.
4. Recommendation to approve Savannah Barrett as a sub cook, classroom/office aide.(pending background checks)
5. Recommendation to approve Carrie Mongold as a sub custodian and sub maintenance worker.(pending background checks)
6. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Jean Linton, Speech Pathologist, effective 7/31/25.

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Consent
Agenda

Ms. Rhonemus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Griffith to approve the Superintendent's Consent Agenda.

Roll call:

Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sexton explained to the board the district went through a safety audit. Now he and the principals are reviewing the safety report recommendations and picking out priorities versus things that can be pushed off until later. Mr. Sexton would like to wait and see if the district could acquire future safety grants to help with implementing some of the recommendations.

14369-24
Policies

Ms. Rhonemus made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sanderson to approve the following policies: 0142.1, 0151.1, 0152, 0155, 0163, 0164, 0165.1, 0165.2, New 0165, New 0166, 0167, 0167.2, 0167.7, 0173, 1130, 3113, 4113, 4120.8, 4121, 5131, 5136.01, 5200, 5500, 5780, 6110, 6111, 6112, 6114, 6220, 6320, 6325, 6460, 6550, 7310, 7450, 7530.01, 7530.02, 7540.03, 7540.04, 7540.09, 8310, 9160.

Roll call:

Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14370-24
Go Into
Executive
Session

Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to move into executive session at 6:59 p.m., for the discussion of the employment of personnel.

Roll call:

Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

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- 14371-24
Come Out
Executive
Session

Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sanderson to move out of executive session at 7:35 p.m., with no action taken.

Roll call:

Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.
- 14372-24
Approve
Pro Tem

Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to nominate Mr. Warner to serve as temporary chair at the January 14, 2025, organizational board meeting.

Mrs. Sanderson made a motion seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to close the nominations for temporary chair of the January organizational board meeting.

Roll call:

Ms. Griffith, yea; Ms. Rhonemus, yea; Mrs. Sanderson, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

The motion was passed. Mr. Warner was appointed as temporary chair of the January 14, 2025, organizational board meeting.
- Next
Meeting

The next regular meeting will be on January 14, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Lynchburg-Clay School Board Office.
- 14373-24
Adjourn
Meeting

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Rhonemus made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sanderson to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote. All members voted yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

President

Treasurer

