

**MEIGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
To be held at the  
MEIGS HIGH SCHOOL  
Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at 6:30 P.M.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Hawley, Board President**

Time: 6:33 P.M.

**2. ROLL CALL: Mr. Roy W. Johnson, Treasurer/CFO**

Mrs. Heather Hawley Yes, Mr. Ryan Mahr Yes, Mr. Tony Hawk Yes,  
Mrs. Barbara Musser Yes, and Mrs. April Burnem Yes.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Hawley.**

**4. Invocation led by Silent.**

**5. Mrs. Musser moved, seconded by Mrs. Burnem that we approve the minutes of the April 9, 2025, Regular Meeting as submitted.**

125-25      Vote: Mr. Mahr Abstain; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes;  
and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

**6. Additions to the Agenda:**

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations: Item B

**7. Student Achievement Liaison:**

Mrs. Burnem distributed the April Student of the Month Awards.

**8. Superintendent's Report / Principals' Report / Supervisors' Report:**

Mr. Scot Gheen, Superintendent, advised the County Academic Banquet will be held at Meigs High School on May 1, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. He followed with discussing upcoming events and important dates.

**9. Communication:**

- A. Written Communication  
Meigs FFA Banquet invites for Board Members.
- B. Public Participation  
N/A

**10. Old Business:**

Mr. Gheen stated the honoring of the 1976 & 1996 baseball teams was nice. Mr. Hawk asked about naming the softball field.

**11. New Business:**

N/A

**12. Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations:**

A. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mr. Hawk that we approve a \$500 science award donation from Ohio Valley Electric Corporation and deposit into Fund/SCC 007-9001 (MLSD Scholarships).

126-25      Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

B. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mr. Hawk that we approve an agreement with New Story Schools for the 2025-26 school year at \$7,500 per month.

127-25      Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

C. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mr. Hawk that we approve and accept funding from TechCred Ohio for Artificial Intelligence Training for MHS Staff. Funding will be on a reimbursement basis. So far, the district has applied for three rounds of funding with two being approved and waiting for the other. Approved funding will be \$2,000 per participant. The high school has partnered with AI for All LLC for the training.

128-25      Vote: Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

**13. Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations:****A. Personnel**

**Amend** Resolution 57-25 from February 12, 2025, Board Minutes, Extend the FMLA request of Ellora Patterson, Meigs Local School District Cook, to May 30, 2025.

1) Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we hire the following as substitute teachers as approved by the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center, for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

Taylor Bartrum

Miranda Johnson

Christina Tirpak-Terry

129-25      Vote: Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

2) Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we rehire the following non-certified personnel on one-year contracts commencing the 2025-2026 school year, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

Marcus Tyler Carroll – Bus Driver

Sydney Zirkle – Secretary

Melissa Hall – Personal Assistant

130-25      Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

3) Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we rehire the following non-certified personnel on two-year contracts commencing the 2025-2026 school year, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

Aja Blackwell-Collins – Bus Driver  
William Cremeans – Bus Driver  
Katherine Grueser – Bus Driver  
Michael O’Neil – Bus Driver  
Stephen Tomek – Bus Driver  
Gerry Wohlever - Bus Driver  
Mary Bradbury - Personal Assistant  
Stacy Butler - Personal Assistant  
Rhonda Fisher - Personal Assistant  
Sophie Guinther - Personal Assistant  
Racquel Miller - Personal Assistant  
Rebecca McGrath - Personal Assistant  
Anna Peterson - Personal Assistant  
Jessi Roush - Personal Assistant  
Lisa Smith - Personal Assistant  
Vinda Erwin - Personal Assistant

Jonathan Baughman - Custodian  
Gregory Satterfield – Custodian  
Jessica Bellue – 4 hr. Cook  
Dorothy Gerard – 4 hr. Cook  
Jessica King – 4 hr. Cook  
Michele Allen – Personal Assistant  
Melinda Butcher – Personal Assistant  
Kimberly Davis - Personal Assistant  
Rhonda Foster - Personal Assistant  
Sheila McKinney- Personal Assistant  
Pamela Jacks - Personal Assistant  
Sandy Napper – Personal Assistant  
Marie Pierce - Personal Assistant  
Amanda Runyon - Personal Assistant  
Samantha Smith – Personal Assistant  
Launa Teaford - Personal Assistant

131-25      Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

4) Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we accept the resignation of Rickey Hoover, Meigs Local School District Bus Driver, effective April 23, 2025.

132-25      Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

5) Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we accept the resignation of Jordan Kish, Meigs Intermediate School 5<sup>th</sup> grade ELA teacher, effective August 15, 2025.

133-25      Vote: Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

6) Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we hire Mark Griffin as Varsity Girls Basketball Coach for the 2025-2026 season, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

134-25      Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

**B.** Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve closing and transferring remaining balance to the following per Board Policy 6610:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Class of 2024 (200-9424)	HS Principal (018-9309)	\$3,044.21

135-25      Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

#### **14. Board Items:**

**A.** Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve the purchase service agreement between Meigs Local School District, AMESC, and Jaunita Webb, for transportation services to and from New Story School in Albany, OH, commencing August 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

136-25      Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

**B.** Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve Meigs Local School District Board of Education hereby rescinds Board Resolution 28-25 and adopts DEW's 2024 Model Policies in their entirety except for the following sentences, which are specifically rejected in their current form and will not be implemented as written. The Meigs Local School Board directs that the language identified below shall be considered either modified as specified, or, where indicated, deleted to ensure that Meigs Local School District complies with applicable State and Federal laws and/or caselaw:

• **P.10. Destruction of Educational Records.**

- Original Language: "Ensures the information is destroyed at the request of the parents."
- Action: Replace sentence with "Once parent is notified that personally identifiable information maintained by the Meigs Local School District is no longer required to provide educational services to their child, or is not otherwise required to be maintained by Meigs Local School District based on State or Federal law or applicable retention schedules, the parent may request that the information be destroyed."

• **P.14. Independent Education Evaluation at Public Expense.**

- Original Language: "An educational agency may not impose conditions or timelines related to obtaining an IEE, except for the criteria described above."
- Action: Delete this sentence in its entirety.

- **P. 33 Extended School Year**

- Original language: “The IEP team should consider emerging skills as part of the IEP process for children who are exhibiting beginning skillsets.”
- Action: Delete the sentence in its entirety.

- **P.42. Services.**

- Original Message: “Although not required, educational agencies are encouraged to provide services during short-term removals to assist children with disabilities to continue to make progress toward their IEP goals and prevent them from falling behind.”
- Action: Delete this sentence in its entirety.

137-25      Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Yes ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

C. Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve the agreement with Jefferson County VLA for fiscal year 26. Enrollment fee is \$1,500.

138-25      Vote: Mrs. Burnem Yes ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

D. Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we adopt the proposed school calendar for the 2025-2026 school year as presented.

139-25      Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

E. Discussion/first reading held/provided on the following Board of Education new/updated/revised/deleted bylaws/policies/forms/administrative guidelines, as recommended by NEOLA.

**BYLAWS AND POLICIES**

**Bylaw 0131.1 - Technical Corrections (Revised)**

**Bylaw 0171 - Review of Policy (Rescind)**

**Policy 1422.01 - Drug-Free Workplace (New)**

**Policy 2260.02 - Single Gender Classes and Activities (Revised)**

**Policy 2271 - College Credit Plus Program (Revised)**

**Policy 2340 - Field and Other District-Sponsored Trips (Revised)**

**Policy 2430.02 - Participation of Community/STEM School Students in Extra-Curricular Activities (Revised)**

[Policy 2431 - Interscholastic Athletics \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 2460 - Special Education \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 2460 \(ODE\) \(Rescind\)](#)

[Policy 5113 - Inter-District Open Enrollment \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5120 - Assignment within District \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5131 - Transfer Students \(Technical Correction\)](#)

[Policy 5223 - Released Time for Religious Instruction \(New/Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5330 - Use of Medications \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5350 - Student Health, Wellbeing, and Suicide Prevention \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5460 - Graduation Requirements \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5610 - Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, and Permanent Exclusion of Students \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5751 - Parental Status of Students \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 5780.01 - Parents' Bill of Rights \(New\)](#)

[Policy 6151 - Insufficient Funds Checks \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 7421 - Restrooms, Locker Rooms, Shower Rooms, and Changing Rooms \(New\)](#)

[Policy 7440.01 Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 8142 - Criminal History Record Check for Contracted School Services \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 8452 - Automated External Defibrillators \("AED"\) and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation \(Revised\)](#)

[Policy 8500 - Food Services \(Revised\)](#)

#### ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

[AG 2260.02 - Single-Gender Classes and Activities \(Revised\)](#)

[AG 2271 - College Credit Plus Program \(Revised\)](#)

[AG 2340C - Overnight Trips \(District-Sponsored\) \(Revised\)](#)

[AG 2460 - Special Education \(Revised\)](#)

[AG 5113 - Admission of Students under Inter-District Open Enrollment \(Replacement\)](#)

[AG 5120 - Assignment to Class and Grade \(Revised\)](#)

**AG 5330 - Use of Medications (Revised)****AG 5350 - Suicide Intervention Process (Revised)****AG 5360 - Recess Guidelines for Harsh Weather (Revised)****AG 5460D - Diploma Seals (Revised)****AG 6151 Insufficient Funds Checks (New)****AG 8452 - Use and Maintenance of Automated External Defibrillators ("AEDs") (Revised)****FORMS****Form 5330 F5 - Authorization for the Possession and Use of Seizure Medication(s) (New)**

15. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mr. Hawk that we convene to Executive Session at 8:47 P.M. for the purpose of:

A. Consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, official, or student

B. Investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or student

C. Consideration of the purchase of property or sale of property at competitive bidding,

D. Discussion, with the Board's legal counsel, of disputes involving the Board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action,

E. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of employment

F. Matters required being confidential by Federal law or rules or State statutes

G. Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoiding prosecution for a violation of law

Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

16. Mrs. Burnem moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we reconvene from Executive Session at 9:01 P.M. with 5 members present.

Vote: Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

17. Mrs. Musser moved, seconded by Mrs. Burnem that we set Wednesday, May 14, 2025,  
*Week Day and Date*  
Board Office, at 6:30 P.M., for the next regular meeting of the Meigs Local Board of Education.  
*Location* *Time*

Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes;  
and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

18. Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser to adjourn this meeting at 9:04 P.M.

Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Yes; Mr. Mahr Yes;  
and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

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ATTESTED

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Heather B. Hawley, President

Roy W. Johnson, Treasurer