

BOARD OF EDUCATION

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

JANUARY 7, 2025

AGENDA

**WELLINGTON EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
WESTWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SUPERINTENDENT OFFICE**

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER - PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE - Mr. Ayers Ratliff

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Jamie Babb	_____
Mrs. Jennifer Kazmierczak	_____
Mr. Phillip Mohrman	_____
Mr. Ayers Ratliff	_____
Mr. Pati Shellhouse	_____

II. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

#25-001 A. Elect President

1. Call for Nominations for the Office of President

Motion was made by _____ and
Seconded by _____ that the board approves the
appointment of _____ as President of the Board of
Education for Calendar Year 2025.

YES: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____ NO: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____

Treasurer Bailey declared this motion passed.

Treasurer Bailey to administer the OATH OF OFFICE OF PRESIDENT:

OATH OF OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm)

that I will support the Constitution of the United States
and the Constitution of the State of Ohio;
and that I will faithfully and impartially
discharge my duties as President of the Board of Education
in and for the Wellington Exempted Village School District, Lorain County, Ohio,
to the best of my ability,
and in accordance with the laws now in effect
and hereafter to be enacted,
during my continuance in said office
and until my successor is elected and qualified.

#25-002 B. ELECT VICE-PRESIDENT

1. Call for nominations for the Office of Vice-President

Motion was made by _____ and
Seconded by _____ that the board approves the
appointment of _____ as Vice President of the
Board of Education for calendar year 2025.

YES: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____
NO: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

Treasurer Bailey to administer the OATH OF OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT:

OATH OF OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm)
that I will support the Constitution of the United States
and the Constitution of the State of Ohio;
and that I will faithfully and impartially
discharge my duties as Vice-President of the Board of Education
in and for the Wellington Exempted Village School District, Lorain County, Ohio,

to the best of my ability,
and in accordance with the laws now in effect
and hereafter to be enacted,
during my continuance in said office
and until my successor is elected and qualified.

#25-003 C. ELECT TREASURER PRO TEMPORE

1. Call for nominations for Treasurer Pro Tempore

Motion was made by _____ and
Seconded by _____ that the board approves the appointment
of _____ as Board Treasurer Pro Tempore of
the Board of Education for calendar year 2025.

YES: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____ NO: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

Treasurer Bailey to administer the OATH OF OFFICE OF TREASURER PRO TEMPORE:

OATH OF OFFICE OF TREASURER PRO TEMPORE

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm)
that I will support the Constitution of the United States
and the Constitution of the State of Ohio;
and that I will faithfully and impartially perform and discharge
my duties as Treasurer Pro Tempore of the Board of Education
in and for the Wellington Exempted Village School District, Lorain County, Ohio,
to the best of my ability,
and in accordance with the laws now in effect

and hereafter to be enacted,
during my continuance as Treasurer Pro Tempore
and until my successor who was elected and qualified returns.

III. ESTABLISH BOARD OPERATIONS

#25-004 A. Reading of the Minutes

To approve the resolution waiving the reading of the minutes.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Wellington Board of Education of the Wellington Exempted Village School District that the authority be hereby given to waive the formal reading of the minutes of previous meeting(s) at a regular Board of Education meeting during the calendar year 2025

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____ NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

**#25-005 B. ESTABLISH TIME AND PLACE OF BOARD MEETINGS
(See attached Proposed Meeting Date List)**

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____ to hold the

Regular Sessions of the Board of Education per the attached proposed 2025 dates.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____ NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

#25-006 C. ESTABLISH BOARD SERVICE FUND

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____ to establish a Board Service Fund,

which shall not exceed those limitations as defined in Section 3315.15 of the Revised Code.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____ NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

#25-007 D. Appointment of Law Firms

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____ to approve the following law firms to represent the Wellington Board of Education and its administration in matters deemed appropriate for legal services during the calendar year 2025:

- McGown & Markling Co., L.P.A., - Matthew John Markling District Harassment Officer.
- Pepple & Waggoner, LTD.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____
NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

IV. ESTABLISH BOARD REPRESENTATION TO EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

#25-007 A. ELECT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE TO THE WELLINGTON SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____ to

Nominate _____ as Endowment Representative.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____
NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

#25-008 B. ELECT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE TO THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION TO SERVE AS OSBA LEGISLATIVE LIAISON AND OSBA STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____ to

Nominate _____ as OSBA Legislative Liaison.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____
NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

V. **ESTABLISH BOARD MEMBER(S) TO REPORT ON INTERNAL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT COMMITTEES**

#25-009 A. POLICY COMMITTEE

Appoint _____ and
_____ as the reporters of the Board Policy
Committee.

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____.

YES: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____ NO: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

#25-010 B. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Appoint _____ and
_____ as the reporters of the Communications
Committee.

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____
NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

#25-011 C. FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

Appoint _____ and
_____ as the reporters of the Finance & Audit
Committee.

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____.

YES: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____
NO: Mrs. Babb____, Mrs. Kamierczak____, Mr. Mohrman____, Mr. Ratliff____, Mrs. Shellhouse____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

#25-012 D. ATHLETIC & FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Appoint _____ and
_____ as the reporters of the Athletic & Facilities
Committee.

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____.

YES: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____
NO: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

VI. STANDING AUTHORIZATIONS FOR 2025

#25-013 A. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING STANDING AUTHORIZATIONS FOR 2025:

1. Authorize the Superintendent to approve professional leave for all employees.
2. Authorize the Board President and Vice President to attend the workshop for new board presidents.
3. Authorize the Treasurer to invest district funds to generate interest income (certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements, commercial paper, banker's acceptance, etc.).
4. Authorize to require only the Treasurer's signature on payroll and budgetary checks.
5. Authorize the Treasurer to process check payments on purchase orders within appropriations prior to Board approval.
6. Authorize the Treasurer to request tax advances from the County Auditor's Office as funds become available.
7. Authorize the Treasurer to attend Public Records Training as the designee of the Board of Education and as approved by the Ohio Attorney General RC149.43 E.
8. Authorize the Superintendent to act as purchasing agent.
9. Authorize the Superintendent to approve employee resignations between regular meetings.
10. Authorize the Superintendent to employ such personnel as needed for emergency situations, with such employment to be presented to the Board for approval at the next regular meeting.
11. Authorize the Superintendent to approve all applications for federal, state, and local funds.
12. Utilize the following newspapers for advertising and announcements: *Lorain County Community Guide (formerly The Wellington Enterprise), The Lorain Morning Journal, The Chronicle Telegram, The Ashland-Times Gazette and The Rural Urban.*
13. Purchase property, fleet and liability insurance as in the past.

- 14. Renew the OSBA membership for 2025
- 15. Notification of medical insurance availability to the Board at 100% their cost per ORC 3313.202
- 16. Approve the standard mileage rate for calendar year 2025 established by the IRS
- 17. Approve the Tax Budget for the 2025-2026 School Year and forward to the Lorain County Budget Commission for their consideration before January 20, 2025 as presented.

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____.

YES: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____
 NO: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

#25-014

VII. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Waive the reading of the prior minutes and approve the minutes of the Business Meeting conducted on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 .

YES: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____
 NO: Mrs. Babb_____, Mrs. Kamierczak_____, Mr. Mohrman_____, Mr. Ratliff_____, Mrs. Shellhouse_____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

#25-015 A. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by _____ and

Seconded by _____ to adjourn the

Organizational Meeting at _____ p.m.

YES: Mrs. Babb _____, Mrs. Kamierczak _____, Mr. Mohrman _____, Mr. Ratliff _____, Mrs. Shellhouse _____ NO: Mrs. Babb _____, Mrs. Kamierczak _____, Mr. Mohrman _____, Mr. Ratliff _____, Mrs. Shellhouse _____

President _____ declared this motion passed.

PRESIDENT

LOWELL BAILEY, TREASURER