

Regular Meeting Poland Board of Education held May 21, 2025

Mission Statement

Educate, empower and inspire every student at every opportunity.

Megan Roemer, Director of Transportation, read the district mission statement.

The Regular meeting of the Poland Board of Education was held on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 3030 Dobbins Road, Poland, Ohio 44514.

Pledge of Allegiance

President, Mr. Riddle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present for roll call and answering their names were Dr. Dinopoulos, Mrs. Elia, Mr. Riddle and Mr. Warren. Absent: Mr. Sabrin.

PRESENTATIONS

Parking Lot Maintenance Proposal - Matt McKenzie, Director of Operations

Celebrate Retirees/ Continuing Contracts Awardees

- Suzanne James, Second Grade Teacher at McKinley (Principal Beard)
- Karen Vasko - Teacher at the MS (Craig Hockenberry, Supt)
- Darlene Brown, Bus Driver (Megan Roemer)
- James Gahagan, Bus Driver (Megan Roemer)
- Pam Kampfner, Food Services (Wendy Miller)
- Katie Cirelli - Continuing Contract (Principal Beard)
- Jennifer Hudak - Continuing Contract (Principal Beard)

Intermission: Time for Photos and Food and Refreshments provided by the Nutrition Group

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

Board Members were given the opportunity to remove any item from the consent agenda and to be considered separately. No comment.

Treasurer/CFO Requests of Consent: Janet Muntean

Moved by Dr. Dinopoulos and seconded by Mr. Warren to approve the following 1-2 consent agenda recommendations as presented: **Resolution #2025-64.**

Financials

1. The Board approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 7, 2025.

- The Board approves the April 2025 Financial Reports as submitted and presented by the Treasurer.

Roll call: Dr. Dinopoulos, Mrs. Elia, Mr. Riddle and Mr. Warren voting aye. Absent: Mr. Sabrin. Motion passed 4-0.

TREASURER’S REQUESTS/RECOMMENDATIONS - Not included in Requests of Consent:

Approval of the Five-Year Forecast – May FY25 Update – Resolution #2025-65

Mr. Warren moved, and Mrs. Elia seconded with Dr. Dinopoulos and Mr. Riddle voting aye to approve the District’s May Update of the Five-Year Forecast for FY25 as presented by Treasurer, Janet Muntean. This resolution and the Board’s approval are required by the State of Ohio. Absent: Mr. Sabrin. Motion passed 4-0.

Superintendent’s Consent Recommendations: Craig Hockenberry

Moved by Dr. Dinopoulos and seconded by Mr. Warren to approve the following 1-8 consent agenda recommendations as presented: **Resolution #2025-66.**

HR/Staffing

- The Board approves the following individuals to fill the positions listed for the 2025-2026 school year and to be awarded the applicable supplemental and/or pupil activity contract.

Poland Supplemental Positions 2025-2026		
2025-2026	Last Name	First Name
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<u>Performing Arts</u>		
Music - Band Director	Hvizdos	Jeff
Music - Senior & Jr. Hi Vocal Music	Penney	Jeff
Music - Marching Band Assistant	Penney	Jeff
High School Dramatics Director	Demetrios	Lora
Music - Pep Band	Hvizdos	Jeff
Music - Middle School Band Director	Hvizdos	Jeff
Music - Grade 5, Vocal Music	Penney	Jeff
Music - Grade 5, 6 Instrumental Music	Hvizdos	Jeff
Theatre Stage Const.	Demetrios	Lora
Majorette	Stefancin	Jennifer
Flag Line Advisor	Stefancin	Jennifer

HS Dramatics Musical Coord. per Musical	Demetrios	Lora
<u>Department Chairs</u>		
English Language Arts Dept. Chair	Hurdley	Ann Marie
9-12 Math Dept. Chair	Sainato	Robert
9-12 Science Dept. Chair	Queen	Beth
9-12 Social Studies Dept. Chair	Rowe	Ron
9-12 Special Ed Dept. Chair	Wellington	Julianna
HS Fine Arts Dept. Chair	Brungard	Mark
HS Applied Arts Dept. Chair	Williams	Pat
HS Foreign Lang. Dept. Chair	Gotti	Christine
Math Department Chair 4-8	McMahon	Alaina
ELA Department Chair 4-8	Shaffer	Haley
Social Studies Dept. Chair (split) 4-8	Williams	Alicia
Social Studies Dept. Chair (split) 4-8	Williams	Ryan
Science Department Chair Grades 4-8	Cullar	Ken
Spec. Ed. Services Dept. Lead 4-8	Close	Amy
<u>Academic</u>		
Academic Challenge Coach	Cline	Austin
Art Club	Holub	Sue
ENGLISH FESTIVAL JHS	Moncilovich	Lori
ENGLISH FESTIVAL PSHS	Smith	Theresa
FCCLA	Walsh	Julie
Freshman Class Advisor	Paine	Deborah
GRADEBOOK K-6	Williams	Pat
GRADEBOOK 7-12	Ross	Sarah
HS Newspaper Advisor (Split .08)	Kasten	Madison
HS Newspaper Advisor (Split .08)	Smith	Theresa
Italian Club	DiTommaso	Lisa
Junior Class Advisor	Gotti	Christine
Leadership Advisor Junior High-2 split .05	Aebischer	Abby
Leadership Advisor Junior High-2 split .05	Angelilli	Pam
Leadership PSHS	McGee	Maggie
Literary Magazine Advisor	Smith	Theresa
Math 24 Advisor (Split .04)	Kaschak	Tracy
Math 24 Advisor (Split .04)	Martin	Kristi
LPDC	Calderon	Liz
LPDC	Paine	Deborah
NHS	DiNunzio	Rick
PANDA co-advisor (split.05)	Butch	Wendy
PANDA co-advisor(split.05)	Rowan	Mary Jo
Pioneer	Paine	Deborah
RESE (Lead Mentor Resident Educator Program Cor.)	Angelilli	Pam

Robotics PSHS	Monteiro	Leslie
Science/Applied Tech Club	Queen	Beth
Senior Class Advisor	Rokicki	Alexandra
Sophomore Class Advisor	Wellington	Julianna
Spanish Club	Latronica	Lisa
Speech and Debate	Humphreys	Spencer
Stem McK/PMS	Zedaker	Angela
Student Council HS	Kerpelis	Ritsa
Student Council MS	McMahon	Alaina
Yearbook Junior High	Zedaker	Angela
Interact Club (Funded by Rotary)	Martin	Chris
<u>PMS</u>		
LPDC Sec	Kaschak	Tracy
LPDC	Purins	David
LPDC	Wilson	Holly

2. The Board accepts the resignation of the following classified staff member for the 2025-2026 school year:
Debra Brothers - Bus Driver

3. The Board approves the following non-teaching personnel be placed on the summer/seasonal substitute list for 2025, substitute basis only, according to the wage rate for the assignment designated:
Logan Hackstedde - Summer/Seasonal (returning from 2024)
Cam Hackstedde - Summer/Seasonal (returning from 2024)
Robert Ramsbottom - Summer/Seasonal (returning from 2024)
Missy Shaver - Summer/Seasonal (returning from 2024)
Haley Shaffer - Summer/ Seasonal (teacher)
Marco Beato - Summer/ Seasonal (new)

4. The Board approves the following classified employees for the 2025-2026 school year.
Cathy Genova - Food Services-McK/MS
Sarah Davis - Food Services-McK/MS
Teresa Morella - Food Services HS

Curriculum/Instruction

5. The Board approves the Speech/Debate Team trip to the 2025 National Speech and Debate Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa leaving on June 13, 2025, and returning on June 21, 2025. The cost is \$2500 per participant. The Boosters pay for registration and

gas, the team's school account will cover hotel expenses, and all other expenses will be covered by attendants.

Student Services

6. The Board approves the following Extended School Year Tutors, summer of 2025, for extended school year services as identified in the individual child's IEP at the rate of \$30.00 per hour.

Stephanie Vagas
Holly Wilson
Lindsay Pecchia
Mary Hernon
Pam Lorenzi
Allie Anzevino
Kim Creed
Tyler DeBolt

Operations

7. The Board approves the Agreement for Application Services for Fiscal Year 2026 (Contract #2026-A-015) between ACCESS and Poland Local Schools **Reviewed by our Legal Counsel.*

Athletics

8. The Board approves the following individual to fill the volunteer athletic position for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Bryce Warmouth - Volunteer Varsity Football Coach
Walter Hurdley - Volunteer Varsity Football Coach

Roll call: Dr. Dinopoulos, Mrs. Elia, Mr. Riddle and Mr. Warren voting aye. Absent: Mr. Sabrin.
Motion passed 4-0.

ITEMS NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT

OPERATIONS

Approval of Renewal Contract with The Nutrition Group – Resolution #2025-67

Dr. Dinopoulos moved and Mr. Warren seconded with Mrs. Elia and Mr. Riddle voting aye to approve the Food Service Management Contract (Renewal) with The Nutrition Group for the 2025-2026 school year per final approval from the Ohio Department of Education. Absent: Mr. Sabrin. Motion passed 4-0.

Approval of PaveConnect Parking Lot Maintenance Contract – Resolution #2025-68

Mr. Warren moved, and Mrs. Elia seconded with Mr. Riddle and Dr. Dinopoulos voting aye to approve the proposal for the High School and Dobbins parking lot maintenance from PaveConnect as presented. Absent: Mr. Sabrin. Motion passed 4-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Poland Public Library – Superintendent Hockenberry updated the board on recent Vindicator Article regarding relocation of the Poland Public Library.
- Wrestling – Superintendent Hockenberry updated the board on growing of the girls/boys wrestling program. Indicating they need a permanent home. Working with contractors and looking into in-kind donations. Possibly a multiuse facility for cheerleaders, workouts, etc.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS -

- Foundation – Mr. Larry Warren reported that Grades 2-6 Walk for Future rescheduled due to weather. This fundraiser supports the auditorium renovations.
- Legislation – Mr. Jeff Sabrin – Absent - No report.
- Student Achievement - Mrs. Michelle Elia reported on the following:
 - May 20 Career Day for the 3rd graders, visiting professionals shared career opportunities.
 - 8th graders left for DC, learn about American History
 - Dr. Ian Renner from YSU (environmental science) visited Mrs. Queen's CCP Biology class.
 - Meteorologist Eric Wilhelm visited 6th grade Mari DiGiacomo, who presents the weather forecast at the MS.
 - Mrs. Martin's 5th graders plotted data for the 100m dash in math class (captured beautifully by Nico)
 - PSHS Students selected for YSU STEM Summer Research Project Intern:
 - Liz Rutana (chemical engineering)
 - Kate Blummel (biology)

- Douglas Stoudt, Jr. (math)
- Congratulations to Arjun Tuli for representing PSHS at the National Speech Tournament in June in Student Congress

Adjourn the Meeting – Resolution #2025-69

At 7:45 p.m., Dr. Dinopoulos moved, and Mr. Warren seconded with Mrs. Elia and Mr. Riddle signaling aye to adjourn the meeting. Absent: Mr. Sabrin. Motion passed 4-0.

Meeting adjourned.

Treasurer

President

5/21/2025