

Regular Meeting

July 22, 2025

Call To
Order &
Roll Call

The Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, at the Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education.

President Warner called the meeting to order.

The following members responded to roll call:

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

Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Sexton started the meeting by recognizing the Lynchburg-Clay Varsity Baseball Team and coaches for their accomplishments during the 2024/2025 season. High school principal, Mr. Zink, introduced each player and coach, presenting them with an award of recognition. The players who were recognized were Elam Faust, Ryan Credit, Aric Slack, Trevor Niehaus, Tanner Roberts, Cody Bell, Quin Wells, Austin Bell, Caden Faust, Cole Wells, Christian Flowers, Kristian Beachy, Braedon West, Asher Faust, Josiah Burns, Jay Cordrey, and Caden Boone. The team's head coach was James Flowers, with Aric Fiscus and Shane Wells serving as assistant coaches. Mr. Zink acknowledged the team for winning the SHAC Championship title and for reaching the final four at the state level, Division V.

GREAT OAKS REPORT

Mrs. Blankenship stated that Great Oaks Board President, Harry Snyder presented a report to the board showing anticipated funding for FY26 and FY27. FY26 shows a possible increase of \$4,100,521.00 compared to FY25, and FY27 shows a possible increase of \$2,708,446.00 over FY26. The Great Oaks Board approved a fifth-quarter Vocational Agriculture Grant in the amount of \$78,000 and state funding in the amount of \$1,803,190.88 for secondary education for FY26. The Great Oaks board approved six new programs for the 2025/2026 school year. They include Electric Vehicle Technician, Parks and Recreation Management, Dental Assistant, Welding Fabrication and Construction Technologies. This includes two welding fabrication programs.

Finally, the Great Oaks Education Foundation hosted a golf classic that raised \$56,460 to help students in need.

14460-25
Approve
Minutes

Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on June 25, 2025.

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

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TREASURER’S REPORT

14461-25
Financial &
Investment
Reports

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

Roll call:

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14462-25
Approve
Bills

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

Roll call:

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14463-25
Cafeteria
Report

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

Roll call:

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14464-25
Accept
Donations

Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to accept the donations as presented by the treasurer.

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

14465-25
Approve
Appropriations
& Estimated
Receipts

Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sanderson to approve the final appropriations and estimated receipts for FY25.

Roll call:

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

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SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

1. Recommendation to approve Southern Ohio ESC sub teacher list.
2. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Cullen “Tony” Williams, 8th grade Math Teacher.
3. Recommendation to approve Janis Bennington as a teacher mentor for Mackenzie Snarr.
4. Recommendation to approve Alicia Shope as a mentor to Brooke Brookbank retroactively (2024-2025 school year).
5. Recommendation to amend the motion 14440-25 and place Shawna Collins on step 4 versus step 6 as previously approved in the minutes records of the May 21, 2025 meeting.
6. Recommendation to accept the quote for Pikmykid for \$29,610.00. This platform allows us to monitor dismissal at the elementary school. It also comes with a visitor screening platform for all buildings as well as hall monitoring passes the middle and high school. This singular platform checks a lot of different boxes for items needed.
7. Recommendation to approve the quote for instruments for the new music class.
8. Recommendation to approve the bid from Hottle Sealcoat for the middle school track.
9. Recommendation to approve a new floor scrubber for the high school from Jani-Chem (\$8500).
10. Recommendation to approve the purchase of a new steamer for the middle school and a salad bar for the high school from Douglas Equipment for a total of \$25,211.65.
11. Recommendation to approve implementing CEP - free breakfast and lunch for all students for the 25-26 school year.
12. Recommendation to approve Deanna Roush as a dishwasher at the elementary building (supplemental position).
13. Recommendation to accept Tyler Barton’s resignation as the middle school track coach.
14. Recommendation to approve Ashley Watson as a sub office aide, elementary only, pending background checks.
15. Recommendation to approve the following coaches for the 2025-26 school year: varsity softball--Brad Griffith, varsity softball assistant--Ryan Collins, JV softball--Lexi Waits, Volunteer softball assistant--Andy Roberts and Garyn Waits, Varsity baseball--James Flowers, Varsity baseball assistant--Aric Fiscus, JV baseball--Ryan West, volunteer baseball assistant--Shane Wells, HS Track head coach--James Walker, HS track assistant coach--Rusty Fite, volunteer assistant golf coach--Garyn Waits.

14466-25 Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to approve the s Superintendent’s
Consent Consent Agenda.
Agenda

Roll call:

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14467-25 Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to approve the hiring of Vickie
Bus Driver Busch as a full time bus driver at step 4.

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

Mr. Sexton informed the board they are invited to the staff meeting on August 11, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.. There will be three guest speakers, all graduates of Lynchburg-Clay, who will tell their story on what this district means to them.

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Mr. Sexton mentioned that Mr. Dan Roberts was present prior to the board meeting to discuss the planning phase in implementing a five-year facility plan for Lynchburg-Clay. Mr. Roberts discussed ideas with Mr. Sexton, Mr. Zink, Ms. Griffith, Mrs. Blankenship, and Mr. Hawk. A committee will be formed that includes board members, administrators, staff, students, and community members to gather ideas and to develop strategic planning to formulate a five year facility plan for Lynchburg-Clay.

Mr. Sexton presented items under the consent agenda that he is asking for approval on. Discussion on specific items under the consent agenda evolved prior to all items being approved by the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Curriculum: Mr. Sexton stated that Mr. Zink and Mr. Hudson are working on a new foreign language curriculum for the middle school. They are trying to create a course that introduces three or four foreign languages to middle school students. Having middle school students engaged in foreign language may lead to more interest in a four-year foreign language course during their high school years.

Facility: Mr. Sexton stated he had a phone conversation with the Ohio Facility Commission concerning state funding for building a new middle school. The OFC informed Mr. Sexton that Lynchburg-Clay is currently number 134 on their public school list for state funding to build any new buildings. In their opinion, it would be four to five years before Lynchburg-Clay would be moved to the top of the list for any funding.

Also, Patriot Environmental completed the underground tank project at the middle school. Patriot removed the tank, replaced the soil, sowed grass, and took soil samples where the tank was removed. Mr. Sexton was informed that everything looked good on this project and they do not expect any negative results from their soil tests.

Patriot Environmental did inform Mr. Sexton that groundwater tests on the underground tank removal at the middle school in 2024, still show contaminants above federal levels in one spot. This will require a second round of soil samples to be pulled for lab testing.

14468-25 Ms. Rhonemus made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to move into executive session at
Go Into 7:10 p.m., for the discussion of a personal matter related to a coach.

Executive
Session

Roll call:

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14469-25 Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sanderson to move out of executive session
Come Out at 7:44p.m., with no action taken.

Executive
Session

Roll call:

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

President Warner declared the motion carried.

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Next Meeting The next regular meeting will be on August 21, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education.

14470-25 There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Sanderson made a motion, Adjourn seconded by Ms. Rhonemus to adjourn the meeting. Meeting
Voice vote. All members voted yea.

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

ATTEST: _____ _____
President Treasurer