

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## Minutes of a Regular session of the Bellefontaine Board of Education Meeting

Held at the Sloan Distance Learning Center, 6:30 p.m., Monday, August 11, 2025

Roll Call: Present --- Board Members Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder. Visitors ---Mr. Hall, Mr. Wasson, Mr. Ely, Mrs. Henry, Mr. Tipple, Christi Dodds, Marc Stakey and Gavin Yoder.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- 25-070 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Wilson to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2025, Regular Session Meeting and the July 17, 2025, Special Session Meeting.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- 25-071 A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Fissel to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### HIGHLIGHTING BELLEFONTAINE CITY SCHOOLS

Superintendent, Brad Hall, provided the Board with a back to school update.

Roger Ely, Director of Administration and Transportation, provided the Board with a facilities update.

Marc Stakey and Gavin Yoder, District Technology Coordinators, provided the Board with a technology update.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- 25-072 A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Wilson to go into the Committee of the Whole.

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A. Board Policy Update – Brad Hall

The following Board of Education policies have been updated and are listed below for Board review.

| <u>Policy No.</u> | <u>Description</u>                     |
|-------------------|--|
| 7434              | Copy of TOBACCO USE PREVENTION         |
| 5136              | Copy of PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES |

B. Board of Education Special Meeting on August 12, 2025 at 12:45 p.m. at the Board of Education Office for the purpose of discussing district goals

C. Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Discussion

D. Student Attendance at Athletic Events at No Cost

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

25-073 A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Stewart to come out of the Committee of the Whole.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### TREASURER'S REPORT CONSENT AGENDA

25-074 A motion was made by Fissel and seconded by Wilson to approve items A-D.

A. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports

B. Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

The attached is the original amended official certificate of estimated resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, as revised by the Budget Commission of Logan County, which shall govern the total of appropriations made at any time during the fiscal year.

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### C. Annual Appropriation Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Bellefontaine City School District, Logan County Ohio, that to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of the Board of Education, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the sums in the attached resolution be and the same are hereby set aside and appropriated for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made for and during the fiscal year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer is directed to certify a copy of the Supplemental Appropriations Resolution to the Logan County Auditor.

### D. Certificate Required Under Section 5705.412, Revised Code

Subject to the approval of the Board, the Treasurer, Superintendent and Board President are authorized to sign the following certificate as required under Section 5705.412, Revised Code, certifying the availability of funds to cover the Supplemental Appropriation Resolution.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### A. Personnel

25-075 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Wilson to approve items 1-10.

#### 1. Professional Personnel – Appointments

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following persons are hereby appointed for service in the public schools of the City School District of Bellefontaine, pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation for the 2025-2026 school year, at an annual salary in accordance with the schedule now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

Name

Initial Assignment

Terra Byrd-Grupe

4<sup>th</sup> Grade

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### 1. Professional Personnel – Appointments (con't)

| <u>Name</u>      | <u>Initial Assignment</u> |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| Carter Curl      | Intervention Specialist   |
| Nichole Stafford | 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade     |

### 2. Appointment of School Physicians

Subject to the approval of the Board, Corporate Health Services, Costin Family Practice, is hereby appointed for services as the medical provider to the public schools of the Bellefontaine City School District for the 2025-2026 school year, at the annual fee of \$1.00

### 3. Professional Personnel – Substitutes

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following teachers are hereby appointed to the professional staff substitute list of the Bellefontaine City School District for the first semester of the 2025-2026 school year, pending licensure verification and satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, to be assigned as services are needed, at a salary in accordance with the schedule now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

|                          |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ally Barker              | Beth Overs              |
| Rosalind Brown           | Parker Penhorwood       |
| Kristen Elton            | Polly Rodenhausen       |
| Margaret Erickson        | Tom Rose                |
| Phil Forsythe            | Karl Smith              |
| Nicholas Frazier         | Mary Smith              |
| Frank Giannola           | Stacia Smith            |
| Allen Hadley             | Sharon Traul            |
| April Hairston           | Ashley Vicario Holtkamp |
| Ava Klingler             | Mark Wahl               |
| Dominic Latimer          | Richard Whitehead       |
| Robin Loudon-Henry       | Makayla Young           |
| Kristine Mount           | Jane Younkman           |
| Haiden Manns             | Totyiana Bailey         |
| Tricia Hefner McCutcheon | Taylor Banta            |
| Tyler Shamblin           |                         |

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### 4. Service and Support Personnel – Resignations

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following resignations are hereby accepted effective on the date indicated.

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Assignment</u>   | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Lori Peterson   | Food Service Worker | 05/30/25              |
| Rhonda Scheffel | Educational Aide    | 08/05/25              |

### 5. Service and Support Personnel – Appointments

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following persons are hereby appointed to the assignment as indicated, pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, at the hourly rate of pay now in effect according to the position salary schedule or hereafter adopted by the Board, effective on the date shown.

| <u>Name</u>         | <u>Assignment</u>   | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Brenda Hall         | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Ava Huffman         | Educational Aide    | 9/3/25                |
| Kristin Allore Lowe | Media Aide          | 9/3/25                |
| Peggy Navaroli      | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Jessica Pender      | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Lori Peterson       | ES Head Cook        | 9/2/25                |
| Jody Salmons        | Educational Aide    | 9/3/25                |
| Erin Short          | Educational Aide    | 9/3/25                |

### 6. Extended Contract – Appointments

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following persons are hereby appointed for extended service in the public schools of the City School District of Bellefontaine for the 2025-2026 school year, and shall be compensated in accordance with the pay schedule now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Assignment</u>              | <u>Days</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Morgan Fultz    | Strength & Wellness Instructor | 9           |
| G. Eric Hamm    | Guidance – IS                  | 10          |
| Brice Henry     | Vocal Music                    | 10          |
| Kenneth Hoffman | Instrumental Music             | 10          |
| Julie Kurtz     | Guidance – MS                  | 20          |

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### 6. Extended Contract – Appointments (con't)

| <u>Name</u>       | <u>Assignment</u>         | <u>Days</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| Eric Miller       | Guidance – HS             | 20          |
| Lindsey Maus      | Guidance – MS             | 4           |
| Rebecca O'Rielley | Guidance – HS             | 20          |
| Yvette Hunsicker  | Marketing Education       | 10          |
| Paula Shaw        | Guidance – HS             | 20          |
| Deena Fenske      | Guidance – ES             | 5           |
| William Tipple    | Television/Communications | 25          |

### 7. Service and Support Personnel – Substitute Appointments

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following persons are hereby appointed to the assignment as indicated for the 2025-2026 school year, pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, at the hourly rate of pay now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

| <u>Name</u>         | <u>Assignment</u>   | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Robert Ball         | Bus Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Martha Bloodsworth  | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Brandy Bowers       | Bus Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Meri Brown-Scott    | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Juanita Buffkin     | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Brittany Case       | Custodian           | 9/2/25                |
| Valerie Chamberlain | Custodian           | 9/3/25                |
| Valerie Chamberlain | Bus Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Tom Christensen     | Bus Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Amber Cline         | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Kerry Copenhaver    | Custodian           | 9/3/25                |
| Michelle Corwin     | Custodian           | 9/3/25                |
| Aimee Costello      | Van Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Candice Counts      | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Corinne Crawford    | Bus Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Laurie Cruce        | Van Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Darius Durst        | Custodian           | 9/3/25                |
| Elijah Durst        | Custodian           | 9/3/25                |
| Margaret Erickson   | Secretary           | 9/3/25                |
| Geneva Fogle        | Van Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Josh Foulk          | Van Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Tim Garman          | Van Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Jessica Gerwels     | Van Driver          | 9/3/25                |
| Linda Halterman     | Food Service Worker | 9/2/25                |
| Cheryl Harman       | Custodian           | 9/3/25                |

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### 7. Service and Support Personnel – Substitute Appointments (con't)

| <u>Name</u>       | <u>Assignment</u>          | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cheryl Harman     | Secretary                  | 9/3/25                |
| Debi Henry        | Secretary                  | 9/3/25                |
| Jordan Hensley    | Custodian                  | 9/3/25                |
| Audrey Hess       | Secretary                  | 9/3/25                |
| Bob Hill          | Bus Driver                 | 9/3/25                |
| Alysia Kuba       | Nurse                      | 9/3/25                |
| Ashley McBeth     | Food Service Worker        | 9/2/25                |
| Paula McCafferty  | Custodian                  | 9/3/25                |
| Amy McIntyre      | Food Service Worker        | 9/2/25                |
| Regilane Nelson   | Food Service Worker        | 9/3/25                |
| Jim Peyton        | Van Driver                 | 9/3/25                |
| Barbara Powell    | Food Service Worker        | 9/2/25                |
| Mike Puhalla      | Bus Driver                 | 9/3/25                |
| Alena Roberts     | Van Driver                 | 9/3/25                |
| Jennifer Robinson | Van Driver                 | 9/3/25                |
| Lisa Ropp         | Food Service Worker        | 9/3/25                |
| Randy Schoeck     | Bus Driver                 | 9/3/25                |
| Barb Triplett     | Secretary/Educational Aide | 9/3/25                |
| Kaitlyn Welch     | Custodian                  | 9/3/25                |
| Raihn Wrocklage   | Custodian                  | 9/3/25                |
| Glenna Yelton     | Bus Driver                 | 9/3/25                |

### 8. Supplemental Contract Appointments

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following persons are hereby appointed for supplemental service in the public schools of the City School District of Bellefontaine pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation for the 2025-2026 school year, and shall be compensated in accordance with the pay schedule now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

| <u>Name</u>      | <u>Assignment</u>                           |
|------------------|---|
| Daniel Boy       | 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Football (A) – 33.33% |
| Mallory Casserly | HS Percussion Advisor                       |
| Garrett Gross    | 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Football (A) – 33.33% |
| Chelsea Horsley  | HS Girls Wrestling (H) – 50%                |
| Baylie Levan     | 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball (H)        |
| Enya Mitchell    | MS Volleyball (A)                           |
| Mikael Neeley    | MS Girls Wrestling (H) – 50%                |

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### 9. Approval of Athletic Workers

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following persons are hereby appointed as athletic workers for the 2025-2026 school year at a pay rate of \$15 per hour, pending the satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation.

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| John Boling Maurice | Anastasia Hiatt   |
| Katie Buffkin       | Brady Hiatt       |
| Maverick Calton     | Lisette Hiatt     |
| Morgan Calton       | Ryan Holycross    |
| Sandi Chervenak     | Jordan Kesler     |
| Megan Cira          | Julie Kurtz       |
| Damon Dixon         | Adam Middlesworth |
| Catherine Eastman   | Skylar Mifsud     |
| Keri Fergus         | Ric Prine         |
| Garrett Gross       | Jenny Salyer      |
| Matt Gross          | Emily Taylor      |
| Cheryl Harman       |                   |

### 10. Approval of Volunteer Coaches

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following person is hereby appointed as volunteer coaches for the 2025-2026 school year, pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation. No compensation is due.

| <u>Name</u>       | <u>Assignment</u>   |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Lynzee Cronkleton | HS Volleyball       |
| Brian Hogan       | MS Girls Basketball |

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### B. Finance



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25-076 A motion was made by Fissel and seconded by Stewart to approve:

1. Bellefontaine City School District Board of Education Resolution

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is required – in accordance with Federal and State law (i.e., the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act ("IDEA"), 34 C.F.R. 300.201, Ohio Revised Code 3323.08, and Ohio Administrative Code 3301-51-01) – to adopt and implement written policies and procedures approved by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (DEW"); and

WHEREAS, in December 2024, the DEW released updated Special Education Model Policies and Procedures ("Model Policies") that an educational agency can adopt to meet the preceding legal requirement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby adopts DEW's Model Policies, and agrees to use the written policies and procedures in accordance with IDEA and the Ohio Operating Standards for Ohio Educational Agencies Serving Children with Disabilities (hereafter referred to as the "Operating Standards"); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education agrees to use the required special education forms that are located on the DEW's website; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board acknowledges that the Model Policies, while comprehensive, do not include every requirement set forth in the IDEA, the Operating Standards, the Ohio Revised Code (ORC"), and/or the Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC"), and the Board recognizes its obligation to follow these laws, regardless of whether their provisions are restated in the Model Policies; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board authorizes the Superintendent to notify the DEW of the Board's adoption of the Model Policies through the DEW's Monitoring System by uploading a copy of this Board resolution on or before March 30, 2025, and by November 30 for each subsequent school year.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

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25-077 A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Fissel to approve:

2. Comprehensive Agreement Between Ohio Association of Public School Employees/AFSCME Local 4/AFL-CIO and Bellefontaine Board of Education

The Comprehensive Agreement between the Ohio Association of Public School Employees/AFSCME Local4/AFL-CIO and Bellefontaine Board of Education expires July 31, 2025. Representatives of the OAPSE and Board have negotiated all portions of the contract and have reached an agreement. Members of the OAPSE ratified it July 28, 2025. It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the two parties effective August 1, 2025.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

25-078 A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Wilson to approve:

3. Approve Compensation for Non-Represented Classified Staff

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve extending salary schedule wage increases to all classified non-represented staff on the Non-Represented Staff Salary Schedule, in equal amount to those agreed to by BEA and for the same contract years effective August 1, 2025. For all other classified non-represented staff, those amounts agreed to by OAPSE shall be applied for the same contract years effective August 1, 2025.

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Noes --- None. Motion carried.

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25-079 A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Lang to approve:

4. Service and Support Personnel – Substitute Hourly Wage Schedule

Subject to the approval of the Board, the Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to increase the hourly wages of miscellaneous service and support positions.

| <u>Position</u>     | <u>Hourly Rate</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Food Service Worker | \$14.50            | 9/2/25                |
| Teacher Aide/Para   | \$14.50            | 9/3/25                |
| Secretary           | \$14.50            | 9/3/25                |
| Custodian           | \$17.50            | 9/3/25                |
| Bus Driver          | \$19.50            | 9/3/25                |

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

25-080 A motion was made by Fissel and seconded by Wilson to approve:

5. Extra Duty Stipend

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent for the Board to approve a one-time stipend for the individuals listed in the amount of \$2,500 each. While the Board recognizes and values the dedication and contributions of all district employees, the employees listed below have recently taken on significant additional responsibilities, projects, and time-sensitive tasks above and beyond the scope of their regular assignments.

Martha Earick

Christina Prine

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
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### OTHER ITEMS FOR PRESENTATION

A. Superintendent

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25-081 A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Lang to approve:

1. Appointment of Designee

Subject to the approval of the Board, it is the Superintendent's recommendation that the Board appoint Rick Smith, Superintendent of the Midwest Regional Education Service Center, as the Bellefontaine Board of Education's designee for hearing student disciplinary appeals that reach the Board of Education level.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

25-082 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Stewart to approve:

2. Approval of the 2025-2026 Bus Routes

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Bellefontaine Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 Bus Routes.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

25-083 A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Lang to approve:

3. Approval of Curriculum for the 2025-2026 School Year

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Bellefontaine City School District Board of Education adopt the Ohio Learning Standards and Model Curriculum, as developed and adopted by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, as the curriculum to be taught in the district during the 2025-2026 school year.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

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25-084 A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Wilson to approve:

### 4. Enforcement of Nutrition Standards

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that Bellefontaine City Schools enforce a nutrition standard policy that considers the requirements of Ohio Revised Code 3313.814 and governs the types of food and beverages that may be sold on the premises of its schools.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### 5. Committee Reports

Executive - Colin Yoder, Mark Fissel  
Finance - Mark Fissel, Karen Wilson  
Curriculum – Kristen Lang, Karen Wilson  
Buildings and Grounds – Bryn Stewart, Kristen Lang  
Legislative - Colin Yoder, Bryn Stewart

## B. Board of Education

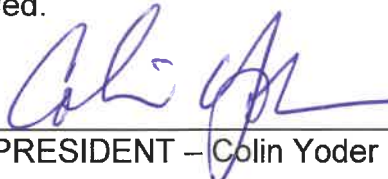
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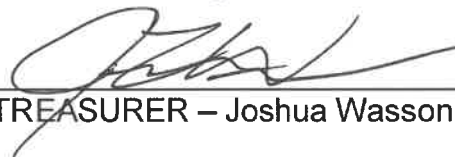
Ohio Hi-Point Career Center - Anne Reames  
Student Liason – Karen Wilson

## ADJOURNMENT

25-085 A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Wilson to adjourn.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Wilson, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

  
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PRESIDENT – Colin Yoder

  
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TREASURER – Joshua Wasson