

**FRANKLIN MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Regular Meeting

September 17, 2025

Music Room D111

5:15 p.m. – New Staff Recognition: Zachary Bambic, Brynna Fourman, Mary Boston, Marcie Huizenga, Jennifer Labosky, Tawnya Osborne, Olivia Ressler, Ginger Stephey, Abby Thomas, Dennis Wendel

President Scott Myers, called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Roll Call:	Mr. Scott D. Myers	Present
	Mrs. Jana Baker	Present
	Mr. Rodney Baker	Present
	Mrs. Renae Eshleman	Absent
	Mrs. Danette Haddix	Present

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –

AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution SP987-09-25

Mrs. Jana Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call:	Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Haddix
	Nays:
	Absent: Eshleman
	Resolution SP987-09-25 adopted

**SCHOOL FINANCE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED BY THE TREASURER
(Items 1-8)**

Resolution SP988-09-25

Mrs. Jana Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Haddix
Nays:
Absent: Eshleman

Resolution SP988-09-25 adopted

1. The Treasurer recommends approving the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held on August 13, 2025 and the special meeting held on August 21, 2025.
2. The Treasurer recommends approving the Bank Reconciliation, Expenditures, Financial Journal and accompanying documents.
3. The Treasurer recommends approving the amended appropriations for the 2025-2026 fiscal year
4. The Treasurer recommends approving the amended certificate of estimated resources for the 2025-2026 fiscal school year.
5. The Treasurer recommends approving an early termination of a CD at Greenville National Bank and open a new 12 month CD at Greenville National Bank.
6. The Treasurer recommends accepting the donation from the Pitsburg Lions in the amount of \$1,500.00 for calculators
7. The Treasurer recommends accepting the donation of school supplies from the United Way Stuff the Bus program.
8. The Treasurer recommends accepting the grant funds from the Darke County Foundation and their supporters in the amount of \$4,700.00 for educational materials for struggling readers, LEGO League, and ten graphing calculators for Algebra I and Algebra II students.

END OF SCHOOL FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Elementary Principal's Report – Megan Linder

A. Building Overview

Secondary Principal's Report – Diane Voress

A. Building Overview

Superintendent Report – Jeremy Pequignot

- A. Overview of Agenda
- B. Facility Update
- C. The enrollment for all students PK-12 in early September was 537. The enrollment was as follows for the four previous years:

2024-2025	556
2023-2024	561
2021-2022	531
2021-2022	557

- D. Open Enrollment

The total number of students attending/leaving via open enrollment the past five years are as follows:

Open Enrollment	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Students accepted at Franklin Monroe	173	173	167	166	179	176
Resident students to the other districts	95	93	103	106	93	98
Difference	78	80	64	60	86	78

- The numbers shown above for the 2025-2026 school year reflect totals as of September 8, 2025.
- Please note: The numbers will continue to fluctuate with students moving in and out of the school district throughout the school year.

- E. Home Education

The total number of students being Homeschooled for the past five years are as follows:

Home Education	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Number of Students	87	89	77	94	104	99

SCHOOL BUSINESS CONSENT CALENDAR AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT (Items 1-13)

Resolution SP989-09-25

Mr. Rodney Baker moved and Mrs. Jana Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Haddix

Nays:

Absent: Eshleman

Resolution SP989-09-25 adopted

1. The Superintendent recommends approving the following Administration Goals for the 2025-2026 school year.
 - a. Jeremy Pequignot
 - Development of policies and procedures for the Flightline Building
 - Continue work to improve the efficiencies across the district.
 - Continue positive promotion of the district through various avenues.
 - b. Diane Voress
 - During the 2025-2026 school year, I will continue to work with the math department with resources, interventions, OST scores, iReady data and incentives.
 - During the 2025-2026 school year, I will work with the elementary Principal to learn about RIMPs, data collection, and intervention schedules for the 2026-2027 school year.
 - c. Megan Linder
 - During the 2025-2026 school year, I will continue to work with the math department with their new curriculums, interventions and schedules we have adjusted.
 - During the 2025-2026 school year, I will work with the MS/HS principal to guide and train her about the RIMPs, data collections and intervention schedules for the 2026-2027 school year.
2. The Superintendent recommends designating Bricker & Eckler LLP as authorized legal counsel for the Franklin Monroe Local School District, to be utilized on an as-needed basis for consultation on general school law matters and such other legal services as may be requested from time to time by the Superintendent of the Board of Education.
3. The Superintendent recommends partnering with the Darke County ESC's Business Advisory Council to fulfill and perform the functions associated with H.B. 49 on behalf of the Franklin Monroe Local School District.

4. The Superintendent recommends approving the Contract with B & R Erate Consulting Services.
5. The Superintendent recommends approving the District Title I Parent Involvement Plan.
6. The Superintendent recommends approving the out of state field trip for the FFA students and chaperones to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana from October 29 – November 1, 2025.
7. The Superintendent recommends approving a \$25.00 incentive for full-time bus drivers who dock their regularly scheduled bus routes to drive a trip effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
8. The Superintendent recommends approving the Transportation Services Agreement with Spirit Medical Transport, LLC effective August 25, 2025 through June 10, 2026.
9. The Superintendent recommends approving the Recovery and Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio Contract effective August 28, 2025 through June 2, 2026.
10. The Superintendent recommends approving the Franklin Monroe School District Gifted and Talented Education Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.
11. The Superintendent recommends approving the contract with Amity Professional Water Services LLC to monitor and report all required water samples to the EPA during the 2025-2026 school year.

12. Personnel

- a. The Superintendent recommends accepting with regret the following retirements effective May, 29 2026.

Malinda Quinn
Mindy Trick

First Grade Teacher
Intervention Specialist

- b. The Superintendent recommends approving the hiring of the following classified position(s) for the 2025-2026 school year pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Jennifer Labosky

Two Hour Cook

- c. The Superintendent recommends approving contracts for supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for certified, on-staff personnel for

the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Clinton Neal
Kaitlyn Roop

Archery
Softball – Reserve/Varsity Assistant

- d. The Superintendent recommends approving contracts for supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for classified, on-staff personnel for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Tim Sargent
Tiffany Stebbins

Site Supervisor up to .3 basis
Site Supervisor up to .625 basis

- e. The Superintendent recommends approving contracts for supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for classified, not-on-staff personnel for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Jon Spencer
Adi Tucker

Softball –Varsity Coach
Cheerleading – JH

- f. The Superintendent recommends approving the following supplemental and extracurricular volunteer position(s) for not-on-staff personnel for the 2025-2026 school year.

Amanda Akers

Volunteer Softball Coach

- g. The Superintendent recommends approving the following classified substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year. Pending meeting all requirements.

Nathania Dallas

All positions

13. Professional Leave

<i>Chase Clark</i>	<i>08/27/25</i>	<i>MVCTC School Counselor Meeting</i>
<i>Malinda Quinn</i>	<i>09/05/25</i>	<i>Summer Camp Field Trip</i>
<i>Kim Berner</i>	<i>09/15/25</i>	<i>EMIS Meeting at Darke Co ESC</i>
<i>Abby Thomas</i>	<i>09/16/25</i>	<i>BPA Advisor Training at MVCTC</i>
<i>Tiffany Stebbins</i>	<i>09/17/25</i>	<i>Girls Golf WOAC Match</i>
<i>Abbey Thomas</i>	<i>09/18/25</i>	<i>New Career Tech Educator Workshop</i>

<i>Ruth Ragsdale</i>	<i>09/23/25</i>	<i>Special Education Meeting at Darke Co ESC</i>
<i>Chase Clark</i>	<i>09/23/25</i>	<i>Wright State Counselor Meeting</i>
<i>Miranda Harleman</i>	<i>09/24/25</i>	<i>Special Education Training at Darke Co ESC</i>
<i>Tiffany Stebbins</i>	<i>09/24/25</i>	<i>Girls Golf Sectionals</i>
<i>Kim Berner</i>	<i>09/25/25</i>	<i>EMIS Staff L Reporting</i>
<i>Mindy Trick</i>	<i>09/30/25</i>	<i>IEP Writing Training at Darke Co ESC</i>
<i>Abby Thomas</i>	<i>10/02/25 – 10/03/25</i>	<i>Mentor Training at Montgomery Co ESC</i>
<i>Sara Fox</i>	<i>10/07/25</i>	<i>Professional Leave</i>
<i>Angie Baker</i>	<i>10/07/25</i>	<i>Sub Training</i>
<i>Kim Berner</i>	<i>10/07/25, 10/21/25</i>	<i>EMIS Weekly Workshop</i>
<i>Chase Clark</i>	<i>10/09/25</i>	<i>Edison Counseling Meeting</i>
<i>Abby Thomas</i>	<i>10/28/25</i>	<i>BPA Regional Fall Leadership Conference</i>
<i>Kim Berner</i>	<i>10/28/25</i>	<i>EMIS Monthly Update</i>

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution SP990-09-25

Mrs. Jana Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Haddix

Nays:

Absent: Eshleman

Resolution SP990-09-25 adopted

1. The Superintendent recommends approving the Darke County ESC Certified Sub List for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year with any updates that may occur.

Resolution SP991-09-25

Mrs. Jana Baker moved and Mr. Myers seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Haddix

Nays:

Absent: Eshleman

Resolution SP991-09-25 adopted

2. The Superintendent recommends approving the Darke County ESC Temporary (No Degree) Sub List for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year with any updates that may occur.

Resolution SP992-09-25

Mrs. Jana Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Haddix
Nays:
Absent: Eshleman

Resolution SP992-09-25 adopted

3. The Superintendent recommends approving the following resolution:

RESOLUTION REDUCING A SCHOOL YEAR FOR GRADUATING SENIORS

WHEREAS, The Franklin Monroe Local Board of Education desires to reduce the number Hours of instruction for graduating seniors who have met graduation requirements and as specified in section 3313.48 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, section 3313.48 authorizes a board of education to approve a reduction in the number of hours in a school year that the school is scheduled to be open for instruction, from the number of hours per year the school was open for instruction during the previous year; and

WHEREAS, the reduction will not result in fewer hours of instruction per school year than the applicable number of hours required under section 3313.48(A) of the Ohio Revised Code;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IS, HEREBY RESOVLED that the Franklin Monroe Board of Education hereby approves the following plan and authorizes its filing with the Ohio Department of Education.

REDUCTION OF HOURS IN SCHOOL YEAR (GRADUATING SENIORS)

Pursuant of Ohio Revised Code section 3313.48, the board of education of Franklin Monroe Local Schools hereby authorizes the following plan to allow graduating seniors to Have a reduced number of hours in a school year from the previous year as specified under section 3313.48(A).

1. The minimum number of hours for students in grades 7-12 is 1,001.
2. Franklin Monroe High School students in grades 7-11 will attend school for 1,100.41 hours this year.

3. Franklin Monroe High School graduating seniors will attend school for 1,077.09 hours this year.

Resolution SP993-09-25

Mr. Rodney Baker moved and Mrs. Jana Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Haddix
Nays: Rodney Baker
Absent: Eshleman
Resolution SP993-09-25 adopted

4. The Superintendent recommends approving the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DECLARING TRANSPORTATION IMPRACTICAL

WHEREAS, the Franklin Monroe Local Board of Education has carefully considered transportation options under Ohio Revised Code Sections 3327.01 and 3327.02; and

WHEREAS, for Madeline Smith who resides at 854 St. Rt. 49, Arcanum, OH 45304, the Board has considered the following:

1. The time and distance required to provide the transportation;
2. The number of pupils to be transported;
3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration;
4. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation;
5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules;
6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available.

WHEREAS, if transportation is deemed impractical after consideration of the aforementioned factors, the option of offering payment-in-lieu of transportation is provided by the Ohio Revised Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Franklin Monroe Board of Education after fully and carefully considering each of the factors listed above, the Board hereby declares that it is impractical to transport Madeline Smith for the 2025-2026 school year and beyond, and hereby offers Tricia Smith, parent, payment-in-lieu of transportation. The reasons for the decision include a combination of the cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration, as well as the number of pupils to be transported to Salem Christian Academy.

XI. The next regular meeting of the Franklin Monroe Board of Education will be:

October 15, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

XII. Future Franklin Monroe Board of Education Meetings:

November 19, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

December 17, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

January 7, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

February 11, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

March 18, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

April 15, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

May 20, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

June 24, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

July 15, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Music Room D111

Resolution SP994-08-25

Mrs. Jana Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Haddix

Nays:

Absent: Eshleman

Resolution SP994-08-25 adopted

Scott D. Myers, Board President

Dennis Wendel, Treasurer