

**MEIGS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
To be held at the
CENTRAL OFFICE BUILDING
Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 6:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Hawley, Board President

Time: 6:31 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL: Mr. Roy W. Johnson, Treasurer/CFO

Mrs. Heather Hawley Yes, Mr. Ryan Mahr Yes, Mr. Tony Hawk Yes,
Mrs. Barbara Musser Yes, and Mrs. April Burnem Absent.

3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Hawley.

4. Invocation led by Silent.

5. Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve the minutes of the September 10, 2025, Regular Meeting as submitted.

332-25 Vote: Mr. Mahr Abstain; Mr. Hawk Yes; Mrs. Musser Yes; Mrs. Burnem Absent; and Mrs. Hawley Yes. Motion carried.

6. Additions to the Agenda:

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations: Items D & E

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations: Item #'s: 5, 6, & 7

Board Item: B

7. Student Achievement Liaison:

N/A

8. Superintendent's Report / Principals' Report / Supervisors' Report:

Mr. Michael Chancey, Meigs High School Principal, gave monthly report to Board Members. Enrollment is 510 students with an attendance rate of 88.76%. There are 125 seniors with two at Buckeye Hills and two at REACH. Mr. Chancey praised Mr. Kight on attendance procedures and policy. He spoke about the Solutions Team and their involvement. Lastly, Mr. Chancey discussed upcoming events.

Mr. David Deem, Meigs Middle School Assistant Principal, stated enrollment is 338 students with an attendance rate of 93.51%. Absent letters are being sent out. Mr. Deem said Parent Square is being used a lot to communicate. He advised MMS received 3.5 stars of 5 on grade card report. The Middle School has taken over concession during volleyball and will use the money to support students. The plan is to continue into basketball. Mr. Deem concluded by stating that fall sports are going well.

Mrs. Jody Howard, Meigs Intermediate School Principal, stated enrollment is 340 students for an attendance rate of 95.77%. There are 28 students chronically absent. She stated attendance challenges are going on. Mrs. Howard stated staff in the building have been great. Lastly, she discussed upcoming events and opportunities.

Mrs. Kristin Baer, Meigs Primary School Principal, stated enrollment is 300 with an attendance rate of 95.53%. There is an attendance challenge going on for September and there are several opportunities to win prizes. Mrs. Baer advised assessments for reading and math were recently completed. She concluded by discussing other events at MPS.

Mr. Scot Gheen, Superintendent, distributed notes and upcoming dates to the Board Members.

9. Communication:

A. Written Communication

N/A

B. Public Participation

BJ Kreseen from the Meigs Band Boosters asked about Bingo

10. Old Business:

Discussed Rio Grande Community College property on Charles Chancey Drive.

11. New Business:

N/A

12. Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations:

A. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve our cash balance reserve amount for FY 2026. Per policy, this amount is to be the equivalent to at least three (3) GRF payrolls. The recommended reserve amount for FY 26 is \$1,638,204.

333-25 Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

B. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Future Plans for a Career Navigator (Amy Perrin) position. Term is 9/11/25 to 6/30/26. An extension may be requested. Future Plans will provide \$89,994 to support the position.

334-25 Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

C. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve permanent appropriations in the amount of \$37,303,385 for the 2025-26 fiscal year per ORC 5705.38 (B).

335-25 Vote: Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- D. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve payment of invoices in accordance with ORC 5705.41 (d) A, Then and Now Invoice for the following:

Vendor	Invoice #	Date	Amount
Lifetouch Yearbooks (Shutterfly)	5868503	9/11/25	\$6,090.78
Paul Combs Sr. CWI Service	0051	5/6/25	\$3,150.00

- 336-25 Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- E. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we approve the purchase of a pass-thru refrigerator for the elementary kitchen from C&T Design and Equipment Co., in the amount of \$24,006. Funds will come from the food service account (006-0000).

- 337-25 Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

13. Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations:

A. Personnel

Amend Board motion 328-25 from September 10, 2025, board minutes.

Approve to hire Mallory Sherman as Meigs Middle School 8th grade Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2025-2026 season, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

- 1) Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we hire the following as Meigs Middle School Football Coaches for the 2025 season, retroactive to August 1, 2025, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

Heath Hudson
Shawn Hawley

- 338-25 Vote: Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- 2) Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we hire Rusty Fields as Meigs Middle School 7th grade Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2025-2026 season, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

- 339-25 Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- 3) Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we hire Sheryl Redd as a substitute teacher as approved by the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center, for the 2025-2026 school year, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

340-25 Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- 4) Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we approve the uncompensated leave request from Taylor Swartz, Meigs Middle School Teacher, retroactive to September 17, 2025 through October 20, 2025.

341-25 Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- 5) Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we accept the resignation of Rebecca Zuspan, Meigs Middle School 6th grade Math Teacher, effective September 24, 2025.

342-25 Vote: Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- 6) Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we hire Olivia Goble as a long-term substitute teacher, 6th grade Math, for the 2025-2026, effective September 24, 2025, pending completion of all administrative requirements.

343-25 Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- 7) Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we accept the resignation of Brenda Erwin, Meigs Local School District Cook, effective January 1, 2026.

344-25 Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

14. Board Items:

- A. Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we approve the overnight field trip request from Jennifer Dunn, Meigs High School FFA, for fourteen (14) students to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, departing October 29, 2025, and returning on November 1, 2025.

345-25 Vote: Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

- B. Mr. Hawk moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr that we approve the joint agreement appointing the business advisory council of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center to serve as the business advisory council for the Meigs Local School District.

346-25 Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ;
and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

15. Mrs. Musser moved, seconded by Mr. Hawk that we convene to Executive Session at 8:35 P.M. for the purpose of:

- X A. Consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, official, or student
- B. Investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or student
- C. Consideration of the purchase of property or sale of property at competitive bidding,
- D. Discussion, with the Board's legal counsel, of disputes involving the Board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action,
- E. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of employment
- F. Matters required being confidential by Federal law or rules or State statutes
- G. Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoiding prosecution for a violation of law

Vote: Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

16. Mr. Mahr moved, seconded by Mrs. Musser that we reconvene from Executive Session at 9:18 P.M. with 4 members present.

Vote: Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

17. Mrs. Musser moved, seconded by Mr. Hawk that we set Wednesday, October 8, 2025,
Week Day and Date
Board Office , at 6:30 P.M., for the next regular meeting of the Meigs Local Board of Education.
Location Time

Vote: Mr. Mahr Yes ; Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

18. Mrs. Musser moved, seconded by Mr. Mahr to adjourn this meeting at 9:19 P.M.

Vote: Mr. Hawk Yes ; Mrs. Musser Yes ; Mrs. Burnem Absent ; Mr. Mahr Yes ; and Mrs. Hawley Yes . Motion carried.

ATTESTED

Heather B. Hawley, President

Roy W. Johnson, Treasurer