

Lakeview Board of Education Regular Board Meeting

Monday, October 27, 2025

6:00 PM in the Lakeview High School Media Center

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1. Meeting Opening

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Action, Procedural: 1.2 Roll Call

Recommended Action: Roll Call

Members Present:

Danielle Scherer, Mark Harper, Jennifer Nicholas, Taylor Pease

Action: 1.3 Approval of Agenda

Recommended Action: To accept the October 27, 2025 regular agenda of the Lakeview Board of Education as submitted.

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mrs. Nicholas

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action, Minutes: 1.4 Approval of Minutes

Recommended Action: To approve the minutes of the September 25, 2025 regular meeting as submitted.

Motion by Mr. Pease, Second by Mr. Harper

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

2. Public Comments

Discussion: 2.1 Comments from the Public

1. Tracie Lenox: cheerleading
2. Melyssa Leonard: athletics
3. Allison Lantz: athletics
4. Amy Newton: athletics

3. Reports

Reports: 3.1 Reports

1. Superintendent's Update: Superintendent gave report thanking those in attendance as she said a former social studies teacher explained to her it is democracy in action. She appreciated that everyone sharing concerns cared about Lakeview and our student athletes. She shared with the board and public in attendance that she took meetings with anyone having concerns about the program and wants to continue to build a strong foundation for the athletic program. She explained that coaches are working hard for this goal and discussed the important shared partnership with coaches, student-athletes and parents. She explained there is and will be an emphasis on accountability and asked the Athletic Director to share an update with everyone:

Mr. Novotny shared the following:

He explained that there will be a common central app for communication rather than the multiple platforms in use and all communications will be through this app

Discussed positive student-centered culture in athletic programs and revamping handbook to address some of these goals He discussed free admission for students and efforts being made to offset costs for these. He explained branding in the athletic department and plans for improve social media as a means to better promote the athletic programs, including a discussion about sharing of athletic statistics.

He thanked the parents for their input and feedback and addressed how the athletic department and administration will continue to work to improve with the goal of providing the best opportunities possible for our students.

2. Student Achievement: (1) Mr. Herrholtz, High School Principal, congratulated Kendall DeLeon for qualifying for state competition in cross country. Congratulated the volleyball team for their hard work and success winning back to back District titles. Commended the staff and students for their teamwork when the building was evacuated due to the smell of gas in the science lab. (2) Mr. Vastag, Middle School Principal, shared that fall sports at the middle school was a success and that currently winter sports are being kicked off. He explained the many activities coming up at the middle school including the fall concert, Lion's Club contest, Camp Fitch and DC trip. He congratulated Walker Yacoub for winning the Lion's Club Peace Poster contest. (3) Mr. Mackiewicz, Elementary Principal, explained that fall ELA exams were wrapping up at the elementary school and fall harvest parties were coming up as well as a successful PTO book fair.

3. TCTC: Ms. Scherer reported that the planning for construction is underway at the TCTC. She announced that May 13th will be the completion at Eastwood Field. She also announced a new positive behavior program at the TCTC being rolled out by the new Dean of Students.

4. Legislation: Mr. Pease discussed the bills in the Ohio House that will have an impact on school funding in Ohio and here at Lakeview. He said he, the Treasurer and Superintendent are monitoring the legislation and will continue to share what happens and the impact at Lakeview.

5. Safety/Facilities Update: Mr. Harper discussed a recent meeting where all the departments were represented as they discussed safety operations and how each department carries these procedures out which included food service, transportation, nursing, and maintenance. He shared some issues including a small roof leak in the K-8 building and on in the auditorium.

4. Financial Reports

Action: 4.1 Approval of Financial Reports

Recommended Action: To approve the following reports for the month of September 2025, as submitted:

1. Fiscal Financial Reports
2. Then and Now Certificates: PO #260446 and #260450

Mr. Armstrong presented the financial report for September, 2025. He explained as well documentation in the board packets provided to the board. This included an analysis of the 15 year loss of funds to Lakeview Local Schools and all Trumbull County schools due to the elimination of the business Tangible Personal Property taxes and the subsequent elimination of the reimbursement payments the State of Ohio committed to. The loss to Lakeview Schools has totaled \$21 million dollars over the fifteen year period (using the final year of collection as a base, not including reimbursement payments and not including any increase in TPP property values). Lakeview Local Schools received over \$1.7 million dollars in TPP payments in 2005.

Mr. Armstrong explained this has contributed to the shift from business taxes to when homeowners and farmers only paid 47% of school property taxes and this has shifted to nearly 70% as policies from the State of Ohio have been implemented.

Mr. Armstrong also discussed the current pieces of legislation regarding property taxes and the impact they will have on Lakeview Local Schools. He explained that in house bill 186 the State of Ohio would hold schools harmless for tax year 2024 and 2025 but with the changes in the law the district is projected to lose over \$1.4 million per year in Tax Year 2026 and Tax year 2027.

Mr. Armstrong shared with the board he and the Superintendent are working with other school officials in the area and will be meeting with three state legislators later this week to show the impact.

Also discussed were unfunded mandates, specifically costs for the College Credit Plus program. It was discussed that Lakeview students participate at a high rate in the program and that Lakeview Local Schools, and all school districts, are responsible for the costs of College Credit Plus. He explained it is hoped the State of Ohio could take on these costs which over the past five years has totaled nearly \$600,000 at Lakeview Schools.

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mr. Pease

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

5. Donations

Action: 5.1 Accept Donations

Recommended Action: To accept the following donations as submitted and to send a letter of appreciation to the donors:

1. Burke & Beth Ensign to the Larry Sherer Science Scholarship
2. Aniko Constantine to the Lakeview High School Marching Band

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mrs. Nicholas

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

6. Personnel

Action: 6.1 Resignation of Classified Personnel

Recommended Action: To accept the resignation of Margie Petrunia as Library Aide for the 2026/2027 school year for the purposes of retirement, effective June 1, 2026.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Harper

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 6.2 Resignation of Supplemental Personnel

Recommended Action: To accept the resignation of Mark Swinning as the Varsity Boys Head Track Coach and Volunteer Indoor Track Coach for the 2025/2026 school year, effective August 20, 2025.

Motion by Mr. Pease, Second by Mrs. Nicholas

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 6.3 Recommend to Hire Classified Personnel for the 2025/2026 School Year

Recommended Action: To hire Kyleigh Lasko as a Classroom Educational Aide (1 year contract), effective October 20, 2025, for the 2025/2026 school year as recommended.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Harper

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 6.4 Recommended to Amend Classified Contracts

Recommended Action: To amend the following classified contracts, as recommended:

1. Kaytlin King, cook, 6.5-hour to a 7-hour contract effective September 23, 2025
2. Bob Czako, bus driver, 3-hour to a 4-hour effective October 27, 2025

Motion by Mr. Pease, Second by Mr. Harper

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 6.5 Recommend to Approve Substitute Classified Personnel for the 2025/2026 School Year

Recommended Action: To approve Martin Tackett as a substitute bus driver, to be used on an as-needed basis, for the 2025/2026 school year as recommended, effective October 9, 2025.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Harper

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 6.6 Recommend to Approve Substitute Classified Personnel for the 2025/2026 School Year

Recommended Action: To approve Tiffany Scherer as a substitute cafeteria personnel, to be used on an as-needed basis, for the 2025/2026 school year as recommended.

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mr. Pease

Vote: Aye - Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

Ms. Scherer abstains.

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

Action: 6.7 Recommend to Hire Supplemental Personnel for the 2025/2026 School Year

Recommended Action: To hire the following supplemental personnel for the 2025/2026 school year:

1. Betsy Dunn, mentor
2. Jenna Hogue, mentor
3. Jamie Miller, mentor
4. Christopher Romano, varsity boys basketball assistant
5. Nathaniel Fox, 8th grade boys basketball coach
6. Abbie Haynie, after school restorative action monitor - EL
7. Samantha Dzurinda, after school restorative action monitor - EL
8. Gina Facciolo, after school restorative action monitor - EL
9. Tara Costarella, after school restorative action monitor - EL
10. Michelle Campana, after school restorative action monitor - EL
11. Christy Liber, after school restorative action monitor - EL
12. Jennifer McAllister, lunch detention monitor - EL
13. Christy Liber, lunch detention monitor - EL

14. Tara Costarella, lunch detention monitor - EL
15. Derik Lantz, freshmen boys basketball coach

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mrs. Nicholas
Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 6.8 Recommend to Approve Volunteer Personnel for the 2025/2026 School Year
Recommended Action: To approve the following Volunteers for the 2025/2026 school year as recommended:

1. Randi Banning, choir volunteer
2. Madison Saffels, volunteer swim coach
3. Sebastian Ruddy, volunteer bowling coach
4. Shawn Ruddy, volunteer bowling coach

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Pease
Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

7. Recommend to Establish New Fund

Action: 7.1 Recommend to Establish a New Grant Fund
Recommended Action: To establish a United Way "United 4 Kids Initiative" Grant Fund 499-9026 as recommended. This fund is in accordance with the approval of the United Way Grant approved by the Lakeview Board of Education at its regular meeting on December 9, 2024. Furthermore, an appropriation of \$72,000.00 is recommended for approval for the United Way "United 4 Kids Initiative" Grant Fund.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Harper
Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 7.2 Recommend to Establish a New OHSAA Fund
Recommended Action: To establish OHSAA Fund 022-9026 as recommended. This fund is in accordance with rules and regulations regarding funding for OHSAA tournaments hosted at Lakeview Local Schools. Furthermore, an appropriation of \$5,000.00 is recommended for approval for the OHSAA Fund 9026.

Motion by Mr. Pease, Second by Mr. Harper
Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

8. Memorandum of Understanding (MOUs)

Action: 8.1 Approval of Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with TCESC
Recommended Action: To approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Trumbull County Educational Service Center's Business Advisory Council, in accordance with state law, to participate in the appointment of a business advisory council that will represent the interests and fulfill the responsibilities outlined in O.R.C. 3313.82 as submitted.

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mr. Pease
Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 8.2 Approval of Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with LTA
Recommended Action: To approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Lakeview Teachers Association and the Lakeview Board of Education.

Whereas, the current agreement between the Lakeview Teachers Association and the Lakeview Board of Education includes section 4.11 Professional development Reimbursement. Section 4.111 includes a maximum payout of \$25,000.00 per year for all staff.

The memorandum of understanding between the Lakeview Teachers Association and the Lakeview Board of Education revises the total being made available to reimbursements to a total of \$29,311.40 for coursework taken in the 2024/2025 school year. All other portions of this section remain unchanged, and this revision expires October 31, 2025.

Motion by Mr. Pease, Second by Mr. Harper
Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

9. Approval of Agreements

Action: 9.1 NEOMIN Service Agreement

Recommended Action: To approve the three year service agreement with Northeast Ohio Management Information Network (NEOMIN) to provide inter-connected voice over internet protocol services beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028 as submitted.

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mrs. Nicholas

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 9.2 Professional Engine Systems, Inc. Agreement

Recommended Action: To approve the maintenance agreement with Professional Engine Systems, Inc. for maintaining and servicing the generators at the K-8 building for the 2025/2026 school year as submitted, effective November 1, 2025 through November 30, 2026.

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mr. Pease

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

10. Recommended to Approve Out of State Travel

Action: 10.1 Approve Out of State Travel for the Baseball Team

Recommended Action: To approve the out of state trip for the Lakeview Baseball Team to Greenville, North Carolina from Wednesday, April 1, 2026 until Sunday, April 5, 2026 for the Pitt County Classic tournament, as submitted.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Harper

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Action: 10.2 Approve Out of State Travel for the Superintendent's Adventure Club

Recommended Action: To approve the out of state trip for the Superintendent's Adventure Club to Sharon, Pennsylvania on Thursday, November 13, 2025 as submitted.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Pease

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

11. Veteran's Day Observance

Action: 11.1 Approval of Veteran's Day Observance

Recommended Action: To approve the Veteran's Day observance planned at the high school, middle school and elementary school on Tuesday, November 11th at 9:30 AM.

Motion by Mrs. Nicholas, Second by Mr. Harper

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease
President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

12. Comments

Discussion: 12.1 Comments from the Public

None.

13. Adjournment

Action: 13.1 Adjournment

Recommended Action: To adjourn the Board Meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Harper, Second by Mrs. Nicholas

Vote: Aye - Ms. Scherer, Mr. Harper, Mrs. Nicholas, Mr. Pease

President Scherer declared the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Board President

Treasurer