



Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting of the Berea City School District held on Monday, October 13, 2025, at 6:00 P.M., ATLAS Room, 165 E. Bagley Rd., Berea, OH 44017, and shown remotely on YouTube at the following address:  
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### A. Opening Meeting

Members present: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke   
Time in: 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call A-1

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of  
Allegiance A-2  
[Minute 0:04](#)

### B. Public Participation

None

Pub. Part.  
B-1

### C. Reports

Mr. Doug Schwind shared the Polaris Report. Polaris will host "Trick or Trade" on October 30, a night of career Exploration, candy, costumes, and family fun. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Pol. Update  
C-1  
[Minute 0:53](#)

### D. Superintendent Recommendations

Mr. Nick Discenza presented the state report card results. He discussed the highlights and the steps being Taken to respond to the data. Berea City School District earned an overall rating of four stars, maintaining last Year's strong performance and exceeding state standards. Mrs. Wheeler noted the district has adopted a highly Focused approach this one year with one primary goal: to develop and implement an MTSS framework that Ensures all students receive support to grow academically, behaviorally, and socially.

Supt. Update  
D-1  
[Minute 2:54](#)

Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the Resolution to appoint Jill A. Rowe, Treasurer of the Berea City School District for a term of five (5) years, effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2031, as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke

Nays: None

Resolution  
To Hire  
Treasurer D-2  
**25-1013-2432**  
[Minute 40:12](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve items D4-D19 as part of the consent Agenda.

Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke

Nays: None

Consent  
Agenda D-3  
**25-1013-2433**  
[Minute 40:34](#)

Chapman moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the Memo of Understanding between Franklin University and the Berea City School District for pre-student teaching field experience, student teaching Clinical field experiences, and advanced degree administrator internships as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke

Nays: None

MOU Franklin  
Univ. D-20  
**25-1013-2434**  
[Minute 42:24](#)

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<p>Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the contract with Strongsville Psychological Services for the Employee Assistance Program effective September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026, as Shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>Supplemental Contract D-21  <b>25-1013-2435</b> <a href="#">Minute 42:48</a></p>
<p>Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve items D23-D24 as part of the consent agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>Consent Agenda D-22 <b>25-1013-2436</b> <a href="#">Minute 43:10</a></p>
<p>Chapman moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the tuition-free 12th-grade student for The 2025-2026 school year as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>Tuition-free Student D-25 <b>25-1013-2437</b> <a href="#">Minute 44:00</a></p>
<p>Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the Education Alternatives Transportation Agreement as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>EA Agreement Transportation D-26 <b>25-1013-2438</b> <a href="#">Minute 44:22</a></p>
<p>Mack moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the MOU with the Berea Baseball Association as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>BBA MOU D-27 <b>25-1013-2439</b> <a href="#">Minute 44:57</a></p>
<p>Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the Master Marketing Agreement between The Berea City School District and Arcadia Towers, LLC, as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>Arcadia Towers MMA D-28 <b>25-1013-2440</b> <a href="#">Minute 46:09</a></p>
<p>Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the August 2025 Revisions as shown on the Agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>Revision Vol. 44, No. 1 D-29 <b>25-1013-2441</b> <a href="#">Minute 54:13</a></p>
<p>Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to rescind po7541 as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zirke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None</p>	<p>Rescind po7541 D-47 <b>25-1013-2442</b> <a href="#">Minute 57:54</a></p>

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### E. Treasurer Recommendations

<p>Mrs. Rowe presented the District Four-Year Overview. She also provided updates on Property Tax Reform Legislation; she emphasized the reforms shift the burden without addressing the root causes: Inadequate state funding and failure to update the fair school funding formula's base costs.</p>	<p>Treasurer's Update E-1 <a href="#">Minute 58:47</a></p>
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Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve items E3-E10 as part of the consent Agenda.  
Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke   
Nayes: None

Consent  
Agenda E-2  
**25-1013-2443**  
[Minute 1:22:57](#)

Mack moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the distribution of change funds as As indicated on the agenda.  
Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke   
Nayes: None

Change Funds  
E-11  
**25-1013-2444**  
[Minute 1:23:30](#)

Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the Five-Year Forecast as submitted by The Treasurer and direct her to submit these documents to the Ohio Department of Education by the required Deadline.  
Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke   
Nayes: None

Five-Year  
Forecast  
E-12  
**25-1013-2445**  
[Minute 1:24:37](#)

#### F. Regular Business

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2025, Regular Meeting, as shown on the agenda.  
Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal - Abstain Zirke   
Nayes: None

Minutes  
Approval F-1  
**25-1013-2446**  
[Minute 1:25:08](#)

Mrs. Chapman provided the Legislative Update. New Legislation with recent hearings include: HB 485, "Baby Olivia Act", which requires to show an anti-abortion fetal development video annually in the third grade; HB 486, "Charlie Kirk American Heritage Act", declares teaching Christianity's positive impact on American history and Allows schools to teach how Christianity has affected American history; SB 272, allows high school students to Take a civics assessment based on the U.S. Naturalization test, which would serve as an alternative to the American government end-of-course exam, the test would be identical to the civics portion of naturalization test; HB 309, county budget commission authority over school levies. HB 455, updates to Ohio's Parents Bill of Rights, including updates to: gender identity reporting changes, mental health reporting, curriculum review, and Charter school changes. Hearing for SB 156/HB 268 has a hearing tomorrow, and requires schools to teach the "Success sequence."

Legislative  
Update F-2  
[Minute 1:25:20](#)

Mrs. Farris met with the Business Advisory Council at Polaris, and hosted a panel of students from different Areas of instruction. Mrs. Zirke will be speaking at the PTA Council meeting on October 28, about her time Serving on the School Board. Mrs Michal voiced her support for the Resolution of amendments to the OSBA Platform, since she was not in attendance at the previous meeting.

Committee  
Brd. Comments  
Reports &  
F-3  
[Minute 1:29:32](#)

#### G. Adjournment

Chapman moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to adjourn the meeting.  
Ayes: Farris  Mack  Chapman  Michal  Zirke   
Nayes: None

Adjournment  
G-1  
**25-1013-2447**  
[Minute 1:31:24](#)

Time adjourned: 7:32 p.m.

Date of Approval: 11/19/2025 Approved: Corinne A. Farris Attest: Julia Lowe