FREDERICKTOWN LOCAL SCHOOLS

ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 13, 2026
Administration Board Room 5:00 PM

Convened: _____ Adjourned: _____

1. CALL TO ORDER

The acting chair, Kristine Lindeman, calls the meeting to order.

2. OATH OF OFFICE

Nathan Bellman
Donald Falk
Paul Napier

3. ROLL CALL

The Treasurer calls for the roll.

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Board members including the administration will review the agenda and make any additions or deletions. It must be approved by the Board.

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF 2025

Are there any items of unfinished business the Board desires to discuss?

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

6. DISSOLUTION OF THE 2025 BOARD OF EDUCATION SINE DIE

Move to dissolve the 2025 Board of Education sine die. (Acting Chair will preside and open first meeting until new President is elected.)

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

7. ORGANIZATION OF THE 2026 BOARD OF EDUCATION

(a) Nominations for election of Board President
(seconds are not required)

(b) Election of Board President (secret ballot may not be used)

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

(c) The President of the Board assumes office
(d) Nominations and election of Vice President
(e) Election of Vice President (secret ballot may not be used)

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

(f) Committee Appointments by the President

(Do we want to fill all of these appointments?)
(Do we want to add any others?)
Community Connections:
KCCC -
FCDF -
BAC -
Policy Liaison -
Legislative/Advocacy -
Finance Liaison -

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

8. <u>TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

(a) Close Fiscal Year 2026 – Move to authorize the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances, adjustments in appropriations in all funds to complete business and to amend Certificate of Estimated Resources based on actual amount received for Fiscal Year 2025 and report said changes to the Board.

(b) Pay All Debts – Move to authorize the Treasurer to pay all debts of the Board of Education within the limits of the Board approved appropriations.

(c) Establish a Service Fund – Move to establish a service fund of $7,000.00 in accordance with O.R.C. 3315.15 to cover expenses for Board members or their respective representatives when on business to promote the welfare of the Fredericktown Local School District.

(d) Investment of Interim Funds – Move to authorize the Treasurer to invest interim and active funds at the most productive rate whenever such monies are available to invest with Park National Bank, StarOhio or for U.S. Treasury Bonds providing they are legal investments for school districts. All other investments require prior Board approval.

(e) Authority to Request Advance of Local Taxes – Move to authorize the Treasurer to request the advance of local taxes from the County Auditor any time such funds should become available and payable to the school district.

(f) Authority to Transfer or Advance Funds – Move to authorize the Treasurer to transfer or advance funds if such is necessary prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Additionally, the Board authorizes the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances and adjustments, if appropriate, in all funds to complete business for the calendar or fiscal year and report said changes to the Board.

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

9. <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

(a) Establish date, time and place for Regular Board of Education meetings (The regular meetings of the Board of Education are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 P.M. The Board is required to hold a minimum of one meeting once every two months.)

(b) Move to set the meeting compensation for Board members at the maximum rate allowed by law for a maximum of 14 meetings per year as per O.R.C. 3313.12 (currently $125/ meeting).

(c) Move to appoint the Superintendent as the District Purchasing Agent for the Board of Education.

(d) Move to grant authority to Superintendent to apply for, establish budgets, authorize Treasurer to set up accounts, receive and expend funds and to make reports concerning State and Federal Grants.

(e) Move that the "Mount Vernon News" and "Knox Pages" be designated as the District's official newspaper due to the legal requirement of giving 24 hours notice to the public for special Board meetings.

(f) Move to approve the annual memberships for Fredericktown Community Development Foundation, Knox County Chamber of Commerce, Knox County Area Development Foundation, and any other memberships that the Superintendent deemed appropriate.

(g) Move to approve the use of the Board funds to pay for the transportation cost of approved extracurricular activities.

(h) Move to grant authority to the Superintendent to approve the activity account budgets and approve modifications when deemed appropriate.

(i) Move to authorize the Superintendent to initiate legal action on behalf of the Board of Education to protect its legal interests.

(j) Move to authorize the Superintendent to accept resignations that have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session. Such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance. The resignation will be taken to the Board at the next meeting.

(k) Move to authorize the Superintendent, during periods when this Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of this Board. The employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer. The employment recommendation will be taken to the Board at the next meeting.

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

10. ADJOURNMENT

(a) Move to adjourn.

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

Fredericktown Local Schools
Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 13, 2026
Administration Board Room - 5:00 PM

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public to conduct Fredericktown Local School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 9, 2025.

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation is provided at this time. (According to Board Policy 0169.1, thirty (30) minutes will be allotted for public participation.) Community members who choose to address the Board will be limited to three (3) minutes.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

(a) FY27 Tax Budget
(b) Forecast for Tax Budget
(c) Tax Budget Presentation

7. TREASURER'S CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Motion to approve December 2025 Financial Report.
(b) Motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Tax Budget.
(c) Motion to approve the following amended certificates of Resources and Appropriations:
Resources:

Fund 018	Public Schools	$ 2,653.30
Fund 200	Student Manage	$ 4.942.00
Fund 300	District Manage	$ 6,500.00
Fund 516	6B	($1,730.03)
Fund 572	Title I	$ 1,377.33
Fund 584	Title IVA	$ 146.50
Fund 590	Title IIA	$ 903.70
	Total	$14,792.80

Appropriations:

Fund 200	Student Manage	$ 1,000.00
Fund 516	6B	($1,730.03)
Fund 572	Title I	$ 1,377.33
Fund 584	Title IVA	$ 147.50
Fund 590	Title IIA	$ 903.70
	Total:	$ 1,697.50

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8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Enrollment Update

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Motion to approve the District calendar for 2026-2027.

(b) Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Course Handbook.

(c) Motion to approve to the State of Ohio minimum wage from $10.70 per hour to $11.00 per hour effective January 1, 2026, an increase of $0.30 per hour.

(d) Motion to approve the list of the members of the Class of 2026 to graduate on May 15, 2026, pending completion of all requirements.

(e) Motion to approve an amended contract for Central Ohio Behavioral Consulting for an additional $27,500 for January 6, 2026 through June 15, 2026.

(f) Motion to approve the OSBA Annual Membership of $4,904 for the 2026 year.

(g) Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Fredericktown Board of Education and Fredericktown Education Association (FEA) regarding parent-teacher conference scheduling conflicts. The Board shall compensate at a tutor rate of thirty ($30) per hour

(h) Motion to approve the following classroom/field trip chaperone/volunteer for the 2025-2026 school year (pending favorable background checks):

Kristina Balazs

(i) Motion to approve the following as parent chaperones for the 8th grade Washington DC trip in May 2026. All approvals are pending favorable background checks:

Tommi Adkins	Nicole Au	Joshua Bartlett
Matthew Blanchard	Abbey Frye	Tracie Russell
Dayna Salva	Samantha Tharp	Amy Thompson
Alicia VanMeter	Angela Watkins	

(j) Motion to approve the following dock day:

Karen Bartlett	1 day, January 29, 2026

(k) Motion to approve the following supplemental contracts for the following coach/advisor. This is for the 2025-2026 school year. The Superintendent recommends, under the ORC 3313.53, that the Board approves the following under a one-year non-teaching contract. In making this recommendation, the Superintendent notes under Section 3313.53, that the Board has offered such positions to licensed district employees first and if no licensed district employees are qualified and accept it, then the position is opened to the public. All employment is pending proper certification and favorable background checks.

Andrew Hollenbaugh	Instrumental Music	Group 6, Step 3
Axl Weidemeyer	½ MS Wrestling Coach	Group 5, Step 0
Mark Van Houton	½ MS Wrestling Coach	Group 5, Step 0

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10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Community Connections:
KCCC -
FCDF -
BAC -

(b) Policy Liaison -

(c) Legislative/Advocacy -

(d) Finance Liaison -

(e) Board Members -

(f) Administrative Reports - Matt Caputo, Hannah Taylor, Adam Brown, Ryan Shoemaker

(g) F.E.A. - Teresa Vilfer-Snyder

(h) O.A.P.S.E. - Sharon Streby

11. ADJOURNMENT

(a) Move to adjourn.

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

The next Regular Board Meeting will be
Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Fredericktown Local Schools
Special Board Work Session
Tuesday, January 13, 2026
(Immediately following Regular Meeting)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

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Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S & TREASURE'S REPORT

(a) Financial Forecast

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(a) Motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel and matters to be kept confidential by federal law or state statutes. No action to follow.

Convened: _____

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Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

(b) Motion to Reconvene.

Reconvene: _____

Nathan Bellman _____ Donald Falk _____ Kristine Lindeman _____

Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

6. ADJOURNMENT

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Paul Napier _____ Shelly Wenger _____

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