

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 10, 2025

The Jefferson Township Local School Board of Education met for a Regular meeting on Monday, November 10, 2025 at the Administration Office, 2625 South Union Road, Dayton, OH 45417. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

President Shaunece Gillespie requested all present stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Ms. Patricia Babetto, present; Ms. Michelle Cooper, present; Rev. Cuttino Dargan, absent; Ms. Shaunece Gillespie, present; Ms. Renee McDaniel, present. Four members present.

Superintendent Rusty Clifford, Ph.D. and Treasurer/CFO Craig A. Jones were also in attendance.

(Resolution #25.125) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The adoption of the November 10, 2025 agenda was moved by Ms. Cooper and seconded by Ms. McDaniel.

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

(Resolution #25.126) APPROVE MINUTES

Ms. Cooper moved and Ms. Babetto seconded the approval of the following resolution:

"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Jefferson Township Local School District, a majority of its full membership therein concurring, that it approves, the minutes for the October 13, 2025 Regular meeting."

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND RECOMENDATIONS:

(Resolution #25.127) RESOLUTION HONORING REVEREND CUTTINO DARGAN FOR 16 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Ms. Cooper moved and Ms. Babetto seconded the approval of the following resolution:

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RESOLUTION HONORING REVEREND CUTTINO DARGAN
FOR 16 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

WHEREAS, Reverend Cuttino Dargan has faithfully and with great distinction served as a valued member of the Jefferson Township Local Board of Education for sixteen (16) years; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Township community elected him to four consecutive four-year terms on November 3, 2009, November 5, 2013, November 7, 2017 and November 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Board President appointed him as Parliamentarian from 2010-2024, and as OSBA Student Achievement Liaison in 2025; and his peer board members elected him as President during 2023 and Vice President during 2023; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, he has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all children within the Jefferson Township community; and

WHEREAS, he is to be recognized and commended for doing what is right when it counted the most with faith, dedication, integrity, and a passion for education; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Township Local Board of Education desires to formally acknowledge and express its profound gratitude for his many years of service and for his invaluable contributions;

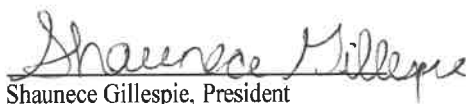
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Jefferson Township Local School District, Montgomery County, Ohio:

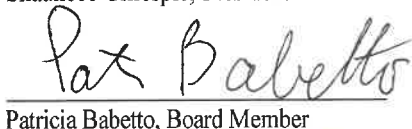
SECTION 1. That this Board of Education does hereby recognize and honor Reverend Cuttino Dargan for his exceptional service, leadership, and dedication to the cause of education and the students of the Jefferson Township Local School District.

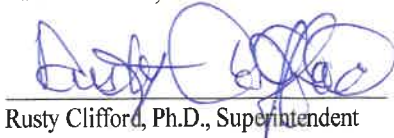
SECTION 2. That this Board, on behalf of the entire community, extends its heartfelt appreciation to Reverend Dargan and wishes him continued success and fulfillment in all his future endeavors.

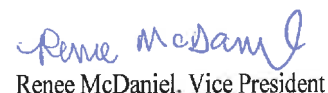
SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall be spread upon the official minutes and a duly prepared copy be presented to Reverend Cuttino Dargan as a token of our esteem and respect.

Adopted and approved this 10th day of November, 2025.

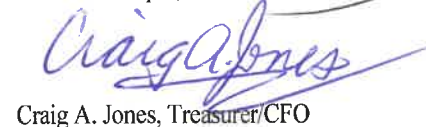

Shaunece Gillespie, President


Patricia Babetto, Board Member


Rusty Clifford, Ph.D., Superintendent


Renee McDaniel, Vice President


Michelle Cooper, Board Member


Craig A. Jones, Treasurer/CFO

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

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TREASURER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Treasurer/CFO Jones reported the levy results as follows:

- Unofficial election results for the earned school district income tax of 1% for three years from 11/04/2025:
For 501 39.98%; Against 752 60.02%

(Resolution #25.128) TREASURER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The approval of the following Treasurer/CFO recommendations was moved by Ms. Cooper and seconded by Ms. McDaniel:

- APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS

"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Jefferson Township Local School District, a majority of its full membership therein concurring, that it approves, the October 2025 Financial Reports, as presented."

- APPROVE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATION

"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Jefferson Township Local School District, a majority of its full membership therein concurring, that it approves, the following Then and Now Certifications:"

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>PO #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Amplify Education	2600026	07/28/2025	\$7,649.88
PowerSchool	2600142	10/27/2025	\$4,082.50

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Presentation by Matt Housh-CCIP Federal Grants Management
- Presentation by Chris James-Website Redesign

(Resolution #25.129) SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The approval of the following Superintendent recommendations was moved by Ms. Babetto and seconded by Ms. Cooper:

- APPROVE EXTENDED LEAVE OF ABSENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH JTEA ARTICLE 24-LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Reese, Tcumps	K-12 Art	09/30/2025-10/31/2025

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➤ APPROVE RESIGNATIONS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Reese, Tcumps	K-12 Art	11/05/2025
Rogers, Christina	Principal	11/05/2025
	Secretary, Blairwood	

➤ APPROVE RETIREMENT

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Skinner, Lorraine	Para Professional	05/23/2025

➤ APPROVE CLASSIFIED STAFF FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Degree/Step</u>
Oglesby, Brittany	Administrative Assistant, Blairwood	11/03/205	\$25/hour

➤ APPROVE CERTIFIED STAFF SUBSTITUTES FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Degree/Step</u>
Wiggins, Tiona	Substitute Teacher	11/10/2025	\$150/day

➤ APPROVE CORRECTION TO RESOLUTION 25.122 FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>
Hall, DeShawn	Boys and Girls Bowling	0 to 1
James, Christopher	Assistant Varsity Basketball	0 to 1
Potter, Robert	Jr. High Boys Basketball	2 to 4

➤ APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>
Hopkins, Trevor	Math Olympics Club (5.25%)	0

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

(Resolution #25.130) SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS
The approval of the following Superintendent recommendations was moved by Ms. McDaniel and seconded by Ms. Babetto:

➤ APPROVE ADDENDUM ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

Approve addendum items added to the agenda in accordance with board policy 0165.1 Regular Meetings.

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

(Resolution #25.131) SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS
The approval of the following Superintendent recommendations was moved by Ms. McDaniel and seconded by Ms. Cooper:

➤ APPROVE CERTIFIED STAFF FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Degree/Step</u>
Johnson, Michele	K-12 Art	11/12/2025	MA+15/17

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

BOARD REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

(Resolution #25.132) EXECUTIVE SESSION ORC 121.22(G)(1)
At 7:29 pm, Ms. McDaniel moved and Ms. Babetto seconded the following motion:

"Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Jefferson Township Local School District, a majority of its full membership therein concurring, that it approves, in accordance with ORC section 121.22(G)(1), to enter into executive session to consider the employment and compensation of a public employee."

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

At 8:00 pm the board reconvened the regular session.

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(Resolution #25.133) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ms. Cooper and seconded by Ms. Babetto that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll call: Ms. Babetto, aye; Ms. Cooper, aye; Rev. Dargan, absent; Ms. Gillespie, aye; Ms. McDaniel, aye. Motion carried.

The Treasurer/CFO declared the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.



President



Treasurer/CFO