

Berne Union Local School District Board Of Education
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Reorganizational Meeting

Tuesday January 13, 2026

High School Media Center

Minutes of

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

6:00 p.m.

Held _____ 20____

President Pro Tempore Garber called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with all members present.

Treasurer, Kirk Grandy administered the oath of office to Mrs. Amy Oxley.

26-001: Motion by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Miller to appoint Todd Hintz to the Berne Union Local School Board effective immediately. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

Treasurer, Kirk Grandy administered the oath of office to Mr. Todd Hintz.

26-002: Motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Hintz that Amy Oxley be elected President of the Board of Education for the calendar year 2026. Mr. Wharton closed nominations. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-003: Motion by Mr. Garber and seconded by Mr. Miller that Todd Hintz be elected Vice President of the Board of Education for the calendar year 2026. Mrs. Oxley closed nominations. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye and Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-004: Motion by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mr. Wharton that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING ADVANCE FROM COUNTY AUDITOR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Berne Union Local School District, County of Fairfield, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the Auditor of Fairfield County be and he is hereby requested to issue an order to the Treasurer of Fairfield County to pay to the Treasurer of this Board of Education such funds as may be available for distribution by said County Treasurer.

Section 2: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to sign the necessary documents to secure such advances and also the secondary documents to secure the semi-annual settlement with the County Treasurer.

Section 3: That the Treasurer of the Board of Education be and he is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the County Auditor and make such other certifications and reports to the County Auditor as may be necessary to make this resolution effective. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye and Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-005: Motion by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Miller that the Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to invest any surplus funds the school district may have at any time. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-006: Motion by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mr. Wharton to authorize the Treasurer to make appropriation modifications within a particular fund and to add new appropriations and revenue lines within the approved appropriations as necessary to conduct the financial business of the school district. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-007: Motion by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Miller that the Superintendent be appointed as purchasing agent. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

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~~26-008~~: Motion by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mrs. Oxley to authorize the Superintendent to employ such temporary personnel as needed for emergency situations. Such employment to be presented for approval by the Board of Education at the next regular meeting. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-009: Motion by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Wharton that the following reorganization resolution be adopted:

REORGANIZATION RESOLUTION

(1) BE IT RESOLVED THAT the existing printed policies, rules, and regulations of the Berne Union Local Board of Education be adopted until changed by official action of the Board; and further, that existing agreements between the Board and Berne Union Education Association (BUEA) be continued until changed by official Board action.

(2) BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Berne Union Local Board of Education waives the reading of the minutes of meetings provided such record has been distributed to the members at least two days prior to the next meeting and that copies of such record are made available to the public and to the news media at the time of the meeting.

(3) BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education, as authorized by Section 3318.18 Revised Code of Ohio, hereby dispenses with the adoption during the year of resolutions:

- a) authorizing the purchase or sale of property except real estate;
- b) approving warrants for payment of any claim from school funds, and;
- c) authorizing the payment of debts or claims and the salaries of employees as fixed by the Board.

(4) BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following is hereby adopted to a part of the rules and policies of the Board for the School District; pursuant to the authority contained in Section 3313.20 Ohio Revised Code and other applicable law:

- a) Members of the Board of Education or employees of the Board may receive regular compensation and/or reimbursement for expenses of attending a professional meeting or attending to official business of this School District, provided any such meeting or business is outside the territorial limits of the School District. Payment shall be made upon delivery of receipts evidencing such expenditures, plus expenditures for meals.
- b) Attendance at and reimbursement for employee professional meetings is subject to prior approval of the Superintendent.

Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye, Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

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The Board President appoints the following Board Members as Board Liaison Representatives:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Liaison Assignments</u>
Mr. Garber	Mr. Miller	Staff Personnel and Finance
Mr. Miller	Mr. Wharton	Buildings and Grounds; Transportation Programs; Health and Safety; Maintenance
Mr. Hintz	Mr. Wharton	Policy Development; Legislative Review; Labor Relations
Mrs. Oxley	Mr. Garber	Instructional and Curricular Programs
Mr. Hintz	Mrs. Oxley	Extra/Co-Curricular
Mr. Garber	Mr. Wharton	Small School District Advisory Committee

26-010: Motion by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mr. Miller that Mrs. Oxley be appointed legislative liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association for calendar year 2026. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-011: Motion by Mr. Wharton and seconded by Mr. Hintz that Mrs. Oxley be appointed student achievement liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association for calendar year 2026. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-012: Motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Oxley that the Berne Union Local Board of Education, during calendar year 2026, hold its regular meetings on the second Tuesday of each month* at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center. *Exceptions: The June, July, August and October board meetings will be held on June 1, 2026, July 27, 2026, August 3, 2026 and October 5, 2026. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-013: Motion by Mr. Hintz and seconded by Mr. Wharton that the Berne Union Local Board of Education grant approval to participate in State and Federal Programs and Grant Programs, and to authorize the local Superintendent or his designee to prepare applications and apply for funds, and to serve as the representative for such programs. Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

26-014: Motion by Mrs. Oxley and seconded by Mr. Wharton to adjourn the reorganizational meeting. (Time 6:10 p.m.) Vote results were Mr. Garber-aye, Mr. Hintz-aye, Mr. Miller-aye, Mrs. Oxley-aye and Mr. Wharton-aye. Motion carried.

I certify these minutes to be correct.

Amy N Oxley
 PRESIDENT

[Signature]
 TREASURER