

Gallipolis City School District Board of Education
Organizational Meeting
January 7, 2026

The Gallipolis City School District Board of Education met at 6:30 p.m. on January 7, 2026 at Gallia Academy Middle School located at 340 Fourth Avenue, Gallipolis, OH 45631. The purpose of the meeting was to organize for the new year.

Thomas Call was in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with President Mr. Morgan Saunders presiding.

The following members were present: Ms. Lynn Angell; Ms. Meghan Denney; Ms. Jennifer Easter; Mr. Alex Saunders; Mr. Morgan Saunders; Mr. Craig Wright, Superintendent and Ms. Bethany Lewis, Treasurer.

Pledge of Allegiance

(1-26) Motion by Mr. Alex Saunders seconded by Ms. Lynn Angell to approve the agenda

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
Motion approved.

Ms. Lynn Angell nominated Mr. Morgan Saunders for President.
There were no other nominations.

(2-26) Motion by Ms. Meghan Denney seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to close nominations.

ROLL CALL VOTE to close nominations: Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes.
Motion approved. Nominations closed.

ROLL CALL VOTE for Mr. Morgan Saunders as President: Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes.
Motion approved. Mr. Morgan Saunders elected President.

Mr. Alex Saunders nominated Ms. Jennifer Easter for Vice President.
There were no other nominations.

ORGANIZATIONAL
MEETING

VISITORS

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE

AGENDA

ELECTION OF
PRESIDENT

(3-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Mr. Meghan Denney to close nominations for Vice President.

ROLL CALL VOTE to close nominations: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes. Motion approved. Nominations closed.

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

ROLL CALL VOTE for Ms. Jennifer Easter as Vice President: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.

Motion approved. Ms. Jennifer Easter elected as Vice President

President Morgan Saunders presided over the remainder of the meeting.

(4-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Mr. Alex Saunders to approve:

- A. The 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Gallia Academy Middle School as the established time for monthly regular board meeting:
 - a. Wednesday, **February 18, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - b. Wednesday, **March 18, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - c. Wednesday, **April 15, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - d. Wednesday, **May 20, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - e. Wednesday, **June 17, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - f. Wednesday, **July 15, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - g. Wednesday, **August 19, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - h. Wednesday, **September 16, 2026** at 6:30 p.m. at **GAMS Library**
 - i. Wednesday, **October 21, 2026** at **GAMS Library**
 - j. Wednesday, **November 18, 2026** at **GAMS Library**
 - k. Wednesday, **December 16, 2026** at **GAMS Library**

2026 MEETING SCHEDULE

Any change to date, time or location to a regular meeting or the addition of a special board meeting will be announced on the District’s website and Facebook page.

- B. Authorize the treasurer to sign all vouchers and accounts payable
- C. Authorize the treasurer to request tax advances from the county auditor and invest interim funds when available
- D. Authorize the superintendent to act as agent for the following:
 - 1. All federal and state programs
 - 2. Purchasing for the District

AUTHORIZE TREASURER

- E. Authorize the superintendent to:
 - 1. Post positions and approve substitute and/or supplemental contracts as needed
 - 2. Accept resignations on behalf of the board
 - 3. Employ legal and consultant services during the year and until the organizational meeting of 2027
 - 4. Exercise the authority of the Board to prohibit persons from entering upon any properties and/or premises owned or operated by the GCSD Board of Education

AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT

F. Approve Board President’s appointments to the Superintendent’s administrative committees for 2026:

1. Academics – Ms. Meghan Denney and Ms. Jennifer Easter
2. Alumni – Mr. Alex Saunders
3. Athletics – Ms. Meghan Denney
4. Facilities/Construction – Ms. Lynn Angell and Mr. Morgan Saunders
5. Finance – Ms. Lynn Angell and Mr. Morgan Saunders
6. Legislative Liaison – Mr. Alex Saunders
7. Naming Rights – Ms. Lynn Angell and Mr. Alex Saunders
8. Negotiations/Insurance – Ms. Lynn Angell and Ms. Jennifer Easter
9. Policy – Ms. Meghan Denney
10. Records – Mr. Alex Saunders
11. Safety – Ms. Meghan Denney and Mr. Morgan Saunders
12. Stadium Project – Ms. Jennifer Easter and Mr. Alex Saunders
13. Technology –Mr. Morgan Saunders
14. Transportation – Ms. Lynn Angell and Mr. Morgan Saunders
15. School Building Liaisons
 - a. GAHS – Mr. Morgan Saunders
 - b. GAMS – Mr. Alex Saunders
 - c. Green – Ms. Meghan Denney
 - d. Rio Grande – Ms. Jennifer Easter
 - e. Washington – Ms. Lynn Angell

BOARD
COMMITTEES

BOARD BUILDING
LIAISONS

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes.
Motion approved.

Organizational meeting concluded at 6:35 p.m. and moved directly into regular meeting. (5-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2025 regular meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
Motion approved.

APPROVE MINUTES

Transportation Supervisor and Food Service Director Thomas Call provided an overview of Transportation services providing details of students transported, miles covered and bus inventory. Mr. Call spoke very highly of the district drivers and mechanics.

TRANSPORTATION
UPDATE

Superintendent Wright announced the Ohio School Boards Association proclaim January 2026 as School Board Recognition Month in order to build awareness and understanding of the vital function an elected board of education plays in our society. The Gallipolis City School District is joining with other districts throughout the state to recognize the important contributions school board members make to their communities. Even though we are making a special effort during January to show appreciate to our school board members, we recognize their contributions reflect a year-round commitment on their part. They are dedicated individuals who are committed to the continuing success of our schools and students. We want to honor the men and women serving the Gallipolis City School District: Lynn Angell, Meghan Denney, Jennifer Easter, Alex Saunders and Morgan Saunders.

RECOGNIZE
SCHOOL BOARD
MEMBERS

Treasurer Lewis reported the district ended December 31, 2025 with 134 days of operating funds in the general fund. Governor DeWine signed the four bills reforming property taxes.

(6-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to approve the financial report for the month ended December 31, 2025
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.
 Motion approved.

FINANICAL REPORT

(7-26) Motion by Mr. Alex Saunders seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to approve a resolution to terminate a probationary employee
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.
 Motion approved.

TERMINATION

- (8-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to approve:
- A. Rescind resolution (138-25) B. Approve Amanda Mossburg as 30 Hour Health Aide at Step 0 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective December 18, 2025
 - B. Resignation of Tiffany Marcum as Aide effective January 21, 2026
 - C. Employ Amanda Mossburg as a 30 Hour Health Aide at Step 0 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective January 5, 2026
 - D. Substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year as follows:
 - a. Kristie Galindo as Substitute Secretary
 - b. Lisa Moffett as Substitute Teacher
 - c. Cheryl Rife as Substitute Bus Driver pending certifications
 - d. Jena Shriver as Substitute Teacher

RESCIND HEALTH AIDE

RESIGNATION

EMPLOY HEALTH AIDE

SUBSTITUTES

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
 Motion approved.

(9-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to approve the discharge of Amber Waggoner as Custodian as a probationary employee effective January 7, 2026
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
 Motion approved.

TERMINATION

(10-26) Motion by Mr. Alex Saunders seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to approve resignation of Andrew Parsons as Bus Driver effective January 5, 2026
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes.
 Motion approved.

RESIGNATION

(11-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to approve resignation due to retirement of Walt Saunders as Bus Driver effective January 7, 2026
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.
 Motion approved.

RETIREMENT

(12-26) Motion by Ms. Meghan Denney seconded by Ms. Lynn Angell to approve agreement with Holzer Therapy and Wellness Center for reduced membership cost to Gallipolis City School District staff
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, abstained.
 Motion approved.

HOLZER AGREEMENT

(13-26) Motion by Ms. Jennifer Easter seconded by Mr. Alex Saunders to approve the following:

PUBLIC RECORD DESIGNEE

- A. Appoint Bethany Lewis, Treasurer, as designee to attend certified three-hour Public Records training for the Board and act as Records Custodian for the District
- B. 2025-2026 Gallipolis City School District Make-Up Hours Plan
- C. Hearing and Screening Protocols and Daily Office Procedures as it relates to Health Aide position
- D. Health Aide Job Description
- E. Revised Policy DLC
- F. Revised Policy DLC-R

MAKE-UP HOURS

SCREENING PROTOCOLS

HEALTH AIDE

POLICIES

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.
 Motion approved.

(14-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to approve the following Health Care Providers to conduct annual physical examinations in compliance with Ohio Department of Education for the 2026-2027 school year

BUS DRIVER EXAMS

- A. Meredith Fallon, CNP
- B. Victoria Howell, CNP
- C. John Ellison, DO
- D. Kelly Roush Icenhower, DC

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, abstained; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.
 Motion approved.

DISTRICT CALENDAR

Board reviewed the proposed 2026-2027 district calendar

Superintendent Wright presented the Bullying and Harassment Semiannual Report.

BULLYING REPORT

(15-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Mr. Alex Saunders at 7:17 p.m. to move into executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation of an employee and/or matters required to be kept confidential by Federal law or State Statute

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes. Motion approved.

Meeting reconvened at 8:46 p.m. with the following present: Ms. Lynn Angell; Ms. Meghan Denney; Ms. Jennifer Easter; Mr. Alex Saunders; Mr. Morgan Saunders; and Mr. Craig Wright, Superintendent.

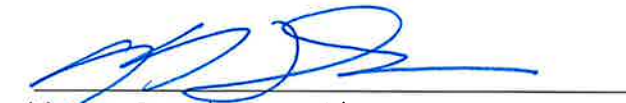
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(16-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Mr. Alex Saunders to adjourn the regular meeting.

ADJOURN

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

The foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the Record of Proceedings from the January 7, 2026 meeting of the Gallipolis City School District Board of Education.


Morgan Saunders, President
Gallipolis City School District Board of Education

2/18/26
Date


Bethany Lewis, Treasurer
Gallipolis City School District

2/18/26
Date