

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## Minutes of a Regular session of the Bellefontaine Board of Education Meeting

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Held at the Sloan Distance Learning Center, 6:30 p.m., Monday, February 9, 2026

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Roll Call: Present --- Board Members Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder. Visitors --- Mr. Hall, Mr. Wasson, Mr. Ely, Mrs. Henry, Mr. Tipple, Christi Dodds, Mara Ledley, Sandi Chervanak, Cliff Core, Matt Comstock, Yvette Hunsicker, Justine Oliver, Kayla Sellars, Maxwell Fissel and family, Ava Kunze and family, three additional teachers, and the Press.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- 26-011 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Stewart to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2025, Regular Session meeting, and the January 12, 2026, Organizational and Regular Session Meeting.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- 26-012 A motion was made by Fissel and seconded by Lang to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### HIGHLIGHTING BELLEFONTAINE CITY SCHOOLS

Seniors of the Month, Ava Kunze, Maxwell Fissel, Kayla Sellars and Kaiden Foulk were recognized.

The Members of the Board were recognized for their service and leadership.

Several staff members shared details about the Classroom Behavior Leadership Program and its effectiveness.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- 26-013 A motion was made by Fissel and seconded by Stewart to go into the Committee of the Whole.

A. Junior Achievement trip to Boston – Yvette Hunsicker

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### B. Mid-Year Goals – Superintendent & Treasurer

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

26-014 A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Lang to come out of the Committee of the Whole.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

26-015 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Fissel to approve items A-B.

#### A. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports

#### B. Five Year Forecast

The Board of Education has formally reviewed and approves the District's amended five-year forecast as required by Section 5705.391, R.C., for the projected fiscal years ending June 30, 2026 through June 30, 2030, and hereby directs the Treasurer to forward a copy to the State of Ohio, Department of Education.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### A. Personnel

26-016 A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Fissel to approve items 1-8.

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### 1. Professional Personnel – Resignations

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following resignations are hereby accepted effective on the date indicated.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Heather Hoppe	School Psychologist	6/8/26
Samantha Stephens	Kindergarten	2/9/26

### 2. Professional Personnel – Leave of Absence

In accordance with the rules and regulations now in effect and subject to the approval of the Board, a leave of absence is hereby granted to the following staff members with the effective date indicated.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Lori Horn	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	1/30/26 *
Heather Johnson	MS Instrumental	4/6/26 *
Stacy Penhorwood	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	1/18/26 *

\*FMLA

### 3. Professional Personnel – Stipend

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following teachers shall be paid the sum of \$300 for additional work on classroom behavior leadership coaching. These stipends shall be paid from Title IV Federal Grant Funds.

Abby Boop	Kylie Croston-Hrytzik
Sandi Chervenak	Justine Oliver
Alicia Dinovo	Susan Stahler
Eric Fatzinger	Heather Wechta

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### 4. Professional Personnel – Substitutes

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following teachers are hereby appointed to the professional staff substitute list of the Bellefontaine City School District for the second semester of the 2025-2026 school year, pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, to be assigned as services are needed, at a salary in accordance with the schedule now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

Ashton Carey  
Beth Powers

Kristy Eilerman

### 5. Professional Personnel – Home Instruction/Tutors

The Superintendent recommends that the following teacher be appointed as home/school tutors for the 2025-2026 school year at an hourly rate in accordance with the schedule now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

Jayden Sims

### 6. Service and Support Personnel – Appointments

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following person is hereby appointed to the assignment as indicated, pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, at the hourly rate of pay now in effect according to the position salary schedule or hereafter adopted by the Board, effective on the date shown.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Valerie Burton	Food Service Worker	1/20/26

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### 7. Service and Support Personnel – Substitute Appointments

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following person is hereby appointed to the service and support staff substitute list of the Bellefontaine City School District for the 2025-2026 school year, pending satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, to be assigned as services as needed, at a rate in accordance with the schedule now in effect or hereafter adopted by the Board.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Camryn Neill	Educational Aide	1/16/26

### 8. Approval of Athletic Workers

Subject to the approval of the Board, the following persons are hereby appointed as athletic workers for the 2025-2026 school year at a pay rate of \$16 per hour, pending the satisfactory clearance from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation.

Jon Hayduk	Arianna Hiatt
Zane Woodruff	Tucker Newland
Rick Reed	Ryan Sawmiller

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### B. Finance

26-018 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Fissel to approve:

#### 1. Approval of 403(B) and 457(B) Third-Party Administrator

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING OMNI & TSACG COMPLIANCE SERVICES TO SERVE AS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR (TPA) TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMPLIANCE SERVICES FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 403(B) AND 457(B) RETIREMENT PLANS, INCLUDING THE OASBO 457 DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN.**

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### 1. Approval of 403(B) and 457(B) Third-Party Administrator (con't)

WHEREAS, the Bellefontaine City School District (the "District") previously adopted and maintains an "eligible deferred compensation plan" under Section 457(b) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") through the Ohio Association of School Business Officials ("OASBO") 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, OMNI & TSACG Compliance Services provides administrative and compliance services for employer-sponsored 403(b) and 457(b) retirement plans, ensuring such plans remain in full compliance with applicable IRS regulations; and

WHEREAS, OASBO is transitioning administration and compliance responsibilities for the Plan to OMNI & TSACG Compliance Services to ensure continued compliance with IRS rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, as a Participating Employer under the Plan, the District desires to engage OMNI & TSACG Compliance Services as its Third-Party Administrator (TPA) for the District's 403(b) and 457(b) retirement plans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Bellefontaine City School District, Logan County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. OMNI & TSACG Compliance Services is hereby approved to serve as the District's Third-Party Administrator (TPA) for the District's 403(b) and 457(b) retirement plans, including the OASBO 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, in order to ensure full compliance with IRS rules and regulations.

Section 2. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board or committees, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

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Noes --- None. Motion carried.

OTHER ITEMS FOR PRESENTATION

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26-019 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Stewart to approve:

1. Approval of the Preschool Handbook & Forms for the 2026-2027 school year

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Bellefontaine Board of Education approve the 2026-2027 Preschool Handbook and Forms.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

26-020 A motion was made by Fissel and seconded by Stewart to approve:

2. Resolution Authorizing Membership in Ohio High School Athletic Association

**WHEREAS**, Bellefontaine City Schools has satisfied all the requirements for membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association, a voluntary unincorporated association not-for-profit; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education/Governing Board ("Board") and its Administration desire for the schools with one of more grades at the 7-12 grade level under their jurisdiction to be voluntary members of the OHSAA;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION/GOVERNING BOARD** that all schools listed on the reverse side of this card do hereby voluntarily renew membership in the OHSAA and that in doing so, the Constitution, Bylaws, General/Sport-specific Regulations and Business Rules of the OHSAA are hereby adopted by this Board as and for its own minimum requirements as it pertains to, but not limited to, student-eligibility, coaching requirements, and administrative responsibility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board reserves the right to raise the minimum standards as it deems appropriate for the schools and students under its jurisdiction; and

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### 2. Resolution Authorizing Membership in Ohio High School Athletic Association (con't)

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the schools under this Board's jurisdiction agree to conduct their athletics programs in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, General/Sport-specific Regulations, Business Rules, interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA and cooperate fully and timely with the Executive Director's office of the OHSAA in all matters related to the interscholastic athletic programs of the schools. Furthermore, the schools under this Board's jurisdiction shall be the primary enforcers of the OHSAA Constitution, Bylaws, General/Sport-specific Regulations, Business Rules and the interpretations and rulings rendered by the Executive Director's office. The administrative heads of these schools understand that failure to discharge the duty of primary enforcement may result in fines, removal from tournaments, suspension from membership and/or other such penalties as prescribed in Bylaw 11.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

26-021 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Stewart to approve:

### 3. Approval of Garmann Miller Contract

Subject to approval of the Board, the CFO/Treasurer is authorized to sign the contract with Garmann Miller architectural firm to complete a professional outside study on long term facility and enrollment needs of the district.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.

### 4. Committee Reports

Executive – Colin Yoder, Mark Fissel  
Finance – Mark Fissel, Kristen Lang  
Curriculum – Bryn Stewart  
Buildings and Grounds – Bryn Stewart, Kristen Lang  
Legislative – Colin Yoder

### B. Board of Education

26-022 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Stewart to approve:

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1. Resignation of Board Member, Rick Reed, effective January 28, 2026

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Noes --- None. Motion carried.

2. Reports

Ohio Hi Point Career Center – Krista Adelsberger  
Student Liaison – TBD

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

26-023 A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Lang to go into Executive Session at 8:17 p.m.

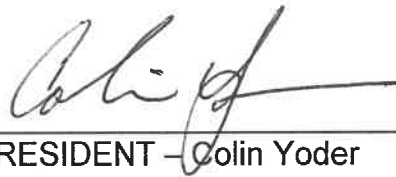
- A. Purpose of discussing school financing options including potential levy.
- B. Purpose of discussing Board appointments.

President Yoder declared the Board out of Executive Session at 10:03 p.m.

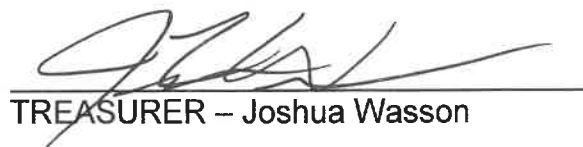
### ADJOURNMENT

26-024 A motion was made by Lang and seconded by Stewart to adjourn.

Roll Call: Yeas --- Fissel, Lang, Stewart, Yoder.  
Noes --- None. Motion carried.



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PRESIDENT – Colin Yoder



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TREASURER – Joshua Wasson