



FAIRPORT HARBOR

EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Anchored in Community & Illuminating Futures

**Fairport Harbor Exempted Village
Board of Education**

Regular Board Meeting

February 24, 2026

6:00 p.m.

Meeting in the Fairport Harbor Classroom 107

Opening Items

- A. Call to Order - The regular meeting of the Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School District Board of Education is called to order at 6:01 p.m. at the Fairport Harbor School Classroom 107.

The following members were present:

Mr. Hites
Mr. Levine
Mr. Miller
Ms. Moskowitz
Mrs. Neff

Approve Agenda

Board Action 2026-36

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Neff, for the approval of the Agenda as presented and with such modifications made by the Superintendent.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Miller, Mrs. Neff, Mr. Hites, Mr. Levine, Ms. Moskowitz

Nays: None

Abstain: None

E. Public Participation in accordance with policy [BDDH](#)

Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting. We welcome your comments and/or questions during this time. Each person addressing the Board shall give their name and address. Each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of thirty minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Interested persons may also submit written public comments via the designated electronic form prior to the Board meeting; the Board will collect the public participation information collected via the designated electronic form up to one hour before the regular meetings for inclusion in the meeting. When submitting your public participation form or electronic form, please keep your comments professional, refrain from using inappropriate language, and identify individuals by name, including FHEVS staff or students.

- Two 5th-grade students spoke during the meeting, expressing concerns that the 5th-grade "clap-out" tradition might not continue after the move to the new school.

Communications/Special Reports

Building Project Update - CT Taylor and TDA, Ryan Fink, Matt Collier, and Adam Parris

[January Update](#)

[February Update](#)

Student of the Month - Dr. Steve Norris - Grades 6-12



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<p>December 2025 Brooke Barresi Sean Wilson JJ Braemer Jessica Irvine</p>	<p>January 2026 Simone Miller Truett Henderson Cole Clair Isaac Maldonado</p>
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Thank you for your service - Ms. Maruschak - Mr. Billington

Special thanks to Gary Dodd for live-streaming the gym events - Mr. Billington

[Financial Presentation](#) - Mrs. Williamson

Treasurer's Report Board Action 2026 - 37

Moved by Mr. Hites, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the Treasurer's recommendations as presented in 3A - 3C.

- A. Approve the January 12, 2026, Organizational Meeting minutes in [Exhibit A](#), the January 12, 2026, minutes in [Exhibit B](#), the January 20, 2026, Special Meeting minutes in [Exhibit C](#), the February 3, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes in [Exhibit D](#), and the February 13, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes in [Exhibit E](#).
- B. Approve the February 2026 end of the month reports as presented in [Exhibit F](#) (checks) and [Exhibit G](#) (spending plan).
- C. Approve the financial forecast in [Exhibit H](#).

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Hites, Mr. Miller, Mr. Levine, Ms. Moskowitz, Mrs. Neff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Superintendent's Recommendation Board Action 2026-38

Moved by Ms. Moskowitz, seconded by Mrs. Neff, to approve the Superintendent's recommendation presented in 4A.

Name	Donated Amount/Item	Intended Purpose
Fairport Harbor Kiwanis	Sneakers and Bin	Helps ensure children in need receive brand-new shoes

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Moskowitz, Mrs. Neff, Mr. Hites

Nays: None

Abstain: Mr. Levine, Mr. Miller



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Superintendent's Recommendation

Board Action 2026 - 39

Moved by Mr. Hites, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the Superintendent's recommendation presented in 5A - 5K.

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- A. Resolution authorizing the execution of an architectural agreement with ThenDesign Architecture in connection with the Athletic Facilities improvement project.

WHEREAS, the District solicited statements of qualifications for professional design services in accordance with Sections 153.65 to 153.71 of the Revised Code in connection with the Athletic Facilities Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that process, the District ranked ThenDesign Architecture as its top ranked firm; and

WHEREAS, this Board now desires to enter into an agreement with ThenDesign Architecture for the professional design services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. **Approval and Execution of Agreement for Architectural Services:** The Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School District Board of Education hereby approves the selection of Then Design (TDA) to provide architectural services for the athletics facility improvement project, in [Exhibit I](#).
- B. Approve the 2026-27 Lakeland Community College CCP Partnership Agreement, in [Exhibit J](#)
- C. Approved the agreement regarding health benefits of the Lake County Schools Council, in [Exhibit K](#), and the bylaws in [Exhibit L](#)
- D. To approve the disposal of obsolete and unusable items sold by way of public auction as presented in [Exhibit M](#).
- E. Approve the Ohio High School Athletic Association 2026-2027 membership in [Exhibit N](#).
- F. Approve the FHEVS New Course Description Updates effective for the 2026-27 school year in [Exhibit O](#).
- G. Approve the Academic Course Catalog in [Exhibit P](#).
- H. Approve the 2026-2027 District school calendar in [Exhibit Q](#).
- I. Approve the ESCWR addendum for Transportation support for FY26 as needed @ \$75/hour in [Exhibit R](#).



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J. Approve the revised policies listed below in Exhibits S-U.

POLICY	TITLE	Recommendation Summary
*DLC Exhibit S	Expense Reimbursement	Revised to reflect AOS guidance.
DLC-R Exhibit T	Expense Reimbursements	Revised to reflect AOS guidance.
*JEFB Exhibit U	Released Time for Religious Instruction	Districts wishing to allow students to be excused for more than two periods per week must adopt these revisions.

K. The Board is asked to approve the following donations and to have such appropriations placed in the appropriate Fund.

Name	Donated Amount/Item	Intended Purpose
Operation Warm Coat Program Grant	200 Coats	Helps ensure children in need receive brand-new winter coats.
ESCWR - SST - SPDG Funds	\$6,328.00	Waggle Coaches Training, Acadience Training, Phonics for Reading Training, misc classroom supplies, and SPDG Showcase expenses for June 16-26, with 7 participants.
Academic Boosters	\$500.00	Approval of donation to support the Middle School Travel Fund (Account #200-1620-961T-000000-000) to assist less fortunate students in attending school trips.
Highwater Tavern	\$990.00	Approval of donation to support the Middle School Travel Fund (Account #200-1620-961T-000000-000) to assist less fortunate students in attending school trips.
Jeff and Lisa Braemer	Concession Stand Supplies	Jr Class Concession Stand

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Hites, Mr. Miller, Mr. Levine, Ms. Moskowitz, Mrs. Neff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Amendment to the Agenda

Board Action 2026-40



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A motion was made by Mrs. Neff to amend the agenda to remove Ms. Mohr from the supplemental agenda and change Mr. Reed from the assistant softball coach to head coach, the motion was seconded by Ms. Moskowitz.

All in favor - motion passed vote

Personnel

Board Action 2026-41

Moved by Mrs. Neff, seconded by Ms. Moskowitz, to approve the personnel recommendations provided by the superintendent as presented in 6A.

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following Personnel items as presented in 6A. To approve the following personnel actions listed below, with the understanding that if any item within this motion is declared void or illegal by a court of competent jurisdiction, all other items will remain in full force and effect. The following individuals are to be employed for the positions, compensation rates, and other terms and conditions of employment as listed for the 2025-2026 school year, as recommended by the district Superintendent, pending the successful completion of all new-hire paperwork, including FBI/BCI checks.

Resignation

Employee	Education	Position	Resignation
Billington, William	MA	Superintendent	Effective 7/31/2026

Supplemental

Employee Name	Supplemental Contract	Amount Approved	Step, Years
Mohr, Spencer	Head Softball	\$5,029.44	Step 1, 0 years
Reed, Ed	Head Softball	\$6,576.96	Step 3, 26 Years
Rowdy, Elijah	MS Track	\$2,127.84	Step 1, 0 years
Slavkovsky, Jeff	Baseball Volunteer	n/a	n/a
Zinnicker, John	Baseball Volunteer	n/a	n/a

Athletic Event Workers

Name	Event	Amount
Nagle, Emily	Ticket Takers/Game Workers/Scoreboard Operators	\$35.00
Kuhn, Erica	Ticket Takers/Game Workers/Scoreboard Operators	\$35.00

Summer Bridge



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Employee Name	2026 Summer Bridge Programs	Hourly Rate	Hours	Total Amount
Edixon, Annmarie	Summer Bridge Programs	\$35.00	Up to 27 hours	\$945.00
Chaeraso, Alexandria	Summer Bridge Programs	\$35.00	Up to 27 hours	\$945.00
Dubeansky, Jennifer	Summer Bridge Programs	\$35.00	Up to 27 hours	\$945.00
Vahcic, Candace	Summer Bridge Programs	\$35.00	Up to 27 hours	\$945.00
Johnson, Shawntel	Summer Bridge Programs	\$35.00	Up to 27 hours	\$945.00
Welch, Heather	Summer Bridge Programs	\$35.00	Up to 27 hours	\$945.00

Roll Call: Ayes: Mrs. Neff, Ms. Moskowitz, Mr. Hites, Mr. Levine, Mr. Miller

Nays: None

Abstain: None

7. OSBA Communications

A. Update - Mr. Miller - no update

8. Student Achievement

A. Update - Ms. Moskowitz - updates on the Bowling Team's progress on their road to state, and congratulated the Boys Basketball Team for having a successful season.

9. Legislative Liaison

A. Update - Mr. Levine

10. Reports of the Administrative Team

Executive Session

Board Action 2026 - 42

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Hites, to adjourn to executive session at 7:18 p.m. to consider the employment or compensation of a public employee, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §121.22(G)(1).

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Miller, Mr. Hites, Mr. Levine, Ms. Moskowitz, Mrs. Neff

Nays: None



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Abstain: None

The Executive session ended at 8:47 p.m.

Reconvene

Board Action 2026 - 43

Moved by Mr. Hites, seconded by Mr. Miller, to reconvene the board meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Hites, Mr. Miller, Mr. Levine, Ms. Moskowitz, Mrs. Neff

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Adjournment

Board Action 2026 - 44

Moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Neff, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Miller, Mrs. Neff, Mr. Hites, Mr. Levine, Ms. Moskowitz

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Announcement

A Special Meeting of the Fairport Harbor Board of Education will be held on March 12, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fairport Harbor Schools Classroom 316, located at 345 Vine Street, Fairport Harbor, OH 44077.

Our next regularly scheduled Board meeting is March 24, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the Fairport Harbor School Classroom 107, located at 345 Vine Street, Fairport Harbor. We encourage members of the public to continue to take advantage of our virtual option of viewing and participating in our Board meetings.

Dates listed with an asterisk (*) denote exceptions to the regular schedule.

Date
March 24, 2026
April 28, 2026
May 26, 2026



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June 23, 2026
July 28, 2026
August 25, 2026
September 22, 2026
October 27, 2026
November 24, 2026
December 15, 2026*

Date Approved 3/24/2026

_____**Justine Levine, Board President**

_____**Sherry Williamson, Treasurer**