

**Board of Education Regular Meeting
February 09, 2026, 6:00 PM
District Training Room
Sharp Middle School
35 Wright Road
Butler, KY 41006**

Attendance Taken at: 6:00 PM

Present Board Members:

Ms. Cheri Griffin--Chairperson

Mrs. Laura Schack—Vice Chairperson

Mr. Kevin Barnard

Mrs. Amber Beebe

Mr. Derek Brown

Absent Board Members:

Ava Wood--Absent

Pendleton County Schools Mission

Pendleton County Schools is committed to graduating every student college and/or career ready by empowering staff to deliver high quality instruction and services in a safe and trusting environment.

I. Call to Order

A. Approve Agenda

Order #26-10693 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Buerkley's recommendation to approve the agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Derek Brown and a second by Mrs. Amber Beebe.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Barnard--Yes; Brown--Yes.

Motion Carried

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Matt Compton, Assistant Superintendent, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Mission Statement

Mr. Matt Compton, Assistant Superintendent, read the Mission Statement.

D. Moment of Silence

II. Communications

A. Audience Comments

B. Board Member Comments

C. Superintendent Report

D. Personnel Actions

Personnel Changes Board Meeting				
2/9/2026				
Last Name	First Name	Location	Position	Effective Date
Hired				
Blackburn	Katelyn	DIST	Substitute Nurse	1/23/2026
Geiman	Sandy	DSS	Full Time Substitute Bus Driver	1/26/2026
Gray	Cooper	PHS	Football Assistant Head Coach	1/14/2026
Hughes	Danielle	SMS	Teacher	1/13/2026
Kirsch	Jordan	DIST	Substitute Teacher	1/7/2026
Mann	Sarah	DIST	Substitute Teacher	1/6/2026
Monroe	Clay	PHS	Instructional Assistant I	1/31/2026
Rigney	Megan	PHS	Head Volleyball Coach	1/23/2026
Roth	Danielle	PHS, SES, SMS	Substitute Teacher	1/5/2026
Sheriff	Amanda	SES	Instructional Assistant I	1/21/2026
Smith	Justin	PHS	Football Assistant Coach	1/14/2026
Wilson	Willia Suzie	DSS	Substitute Bus Monitor - preschool	1/20/2026
Wright	Jacob	SMS	Custodial Supervisor	1/20/2026
Wright	Adam	SES	Custodian 220 days	2/2/2026
Resigned				
Alford	Kylen	SES	Custodian 220 days	1/7/2026
Gray	Cooper	PHS	Football Assistant Coach	1/14/2026
Hyatt	Randi-Lynne	PHS	Instructional Assistant I	1/30/2026
Martin	Jake	PHS	Football Assistant Head Coach	1/14/2026
Nichols	Amber	PHS	Varsity Boys Soccer Head Coach	1/14/2026
Rigney	Megan	PHS	Assistant Volleyball Coach	1/23/2026
Salerno	Ed	SES	ESS Instructor	1/15/2026
Toler	Tim	PHS	Assistant Softball Coach	1/21/2026

E. School Presentations

1. Southern Elementary School

2. Pendleton County High School

III. Written Communications & Reports

A. DPP Report

B. Transportation Monthly Trip Reports

C. FRYSC Reports

D. Public Relations Report

E. NES Trip Request to Children's Museum

F. PHS Trip Requests

G. Quarterly Reports

H. Maintenance/Technology Report

I. 2026-27 Tentative SBDM Staffing/Instructional Allocations

J. Monthly Financial Report

IV. Action Agenda

A. E-Rate Purchase Agreement

Order #26-10694 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Buerkley's recommendation for approval of Encore Technologies for the District-Wide Network Infrastructure Project, contingent upon approval by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), passed with a motion by Mr. Derek Brown and a second by Mrs. Laura Schack.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Brown—Yes, Barnard—Absent.

Motion Carried

B. 2026-28 FRYSC District Assurances Certification

Order #26-10695 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Buerkley's recommendation for approval to sign the 2026-2028 Family Resource and Youth Service Centers School District Assurance Certification passed with a motion by Mrs. Amber Beebe and a second by Mr. Derek Brown.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Brown—Yes, Barnard—Absent.

Motion Carried

C. Shortened School Week for Student

Order #26-10696 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Buerkley's recommendation to approve a shortened school week for the student at this time passed with a motion by Mr. Derek Brown and a second by Mrs. Laura Schack.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Brown—Yes, Barnard—Absent.

Motion Carried

D. NES HVAC Project -- Bidding Documents

Order #26-10697 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Buerkley's recommendation to approve the bidding documents for the Northern Elementary School HVAC project passed with a motion by Mr. Derek Brown and a second by Mrs. Laura Schack.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Brown—Yes, Barnard—Absent.

Motion Carried

V. Consent Agenda

Order #26-10698 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Buerkley's recommendation to accept the Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Schack and a second by Mr. Derek Brown.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Barnard--Yes; Brown—Yes.

Motion Carried

- A. Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Orders of the Treasurer
- C. Treasurer's Report
- D. Leave Requests

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BOARD MEMO

DATE: 02/9/2026
 TO: Mr. Buerkley & Board Members
 FR: Jennifer K. Pierce
 RE: Request for Leaves

A request for Leave of Absence has been received from the following:

Amber Brewer--PHS-- Clerical Assistant - The request for intermittent Family Medical Leave of Absence will begin approximately January 5, 2026, and end approximately the end of the school year.

Samantha Gilbert--SES-- Special Education Teacher- The request for Maternity Leave of Absence will begin approximately April 13, 2026 and end approximately end of school year.

Charissa Gregg -- NES-- Cook/Baker I- The request for intermittent Family Medical Leave of Absence will begin approximately January 13, 2026 and end approximately the end of the school year.

I recommend approval by the Board.



Name: Jennifer K. Pierce
 Title: Director of Finance and Human Resources

VI. Executive Session

Order #26-10699 - Motion Passed: A recommendation to go into Executive Session passed with a motion by Mrs. Amber Beebe and a second by Mrs. Laura Schack.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Barnard--Yes; Brown--Yes.

Motion Carried

A. Per KRS 61.810 (1)(C)--Discussions of Proposed or Pending Litigation Against or on Behalf of the Public Agency

VII. Return From Executive Session

Order #26-10700 - Motion Passed: A recommendation to return from executive session passed with a motion by Mr. Derek Brown and a second by Mrs. Laura Schack.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Barnard--Yes; Brown--Yes.

Motion Carried

VIII. Adjournment

Order #26-10701 - Motion Passed: A recommendation to adjourn passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Schack and a second by Mr. Derek Brown.

VOTE: Griffin-Yes; Schack-Yes; Beebe-Yes; Barnard--Yes; Brown--Yes.

Motion Carried

_____ Board Chairperson

_____ Board Secretary