

Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting of the Berea City School District held on Monday, March 23, 2026, at 6:00 PM, at the Auditorium, 165 E. Bagley Rd., Berea, OH 44017, and shown remotely on YouTube at the following address:
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A. Opening Meeting

Members present: Chapman ☒ Mack ☒ Campbell ☒ Farris ☒ Michal ☒
Time in: 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call A-1
[Minute 7:19](#)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of
Allegiance A-2
[Minute 7:28](#)

B. Public Hearing

Public hearing on the question before the Board concerning the desire of Certified Teacher, Steven Bosko, to Be rehired after his intended retirement to STRS on May 31, 2026. No speakers provided feedback.

Pub. Hearing
Bosko B-1
[Minute 8:31](#)

Public hearing on the question before the Board concerning the desire of Superintendent, Tracy Wheeler, to Be rehired after her intended retirement to STRS on July 31, 2026. No speakers provided feedback.

Pub. Hearing
Wheeler B-2
[Minute 9:40](#)

C. Special Recognition

Students, staff, and community members from all district buildings were recognized for embodying the Behavior and beliefs for what it means to "Be a Titan."

Be A Titan
C-1
[Minute 10:50](#)

D. Public Participation

None

Pub. Part.
D-1

E. Reports

Mr. Schwind shared updates on the new ERRA space, which is scheduled to open in May. Bonnie Romano will represent Polaris and the ERRA program at the FANUC World Headquarters in Japan, where she Will participate in a private tour and gain insight into global workforce trends in robotics, automation, CNC Machinery, and robo-machine technology. Several notable Career Technical Student Organization Achievements were shared. Six students qualified for the Skills USA State Competition in the areas of Carpentry, welding, plumbing, masonry, sheet metal and HVAC. In the Business Professionals of America, six Students qualified for the national competition, while five additional students earned top-20 placements Nationally, and are awaiting final determination. Five Broadcasting and Video Production students qualified For the 2026 Student Television Network National Competition, and the Culinary Arts program will compete In a national championship in May. Highlights were noted for the recent Build Her Workshop. The Polaris Senior Awards are scheduled for May 20, and invitations will be sent to the Board.

Pol. Update
E-1
[Minute 48:42](#)

F. Superintendent Recommendations

Mr. Discenza presented the Paxton Patterson curriculum that his team is exploring to invest in for the following Year at the Middle School, which would expand career exploration opportunities.

Supt. Update
F-1
[Minute 53:33](#)

Mack moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the 2026 Summer School Proposal as Shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Summer School F-2 26-0323-2519 Minute 1:28:05
Mack moved and Michal seconded the recommendation approve items F4-F17 as part of the consent agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Consent Agenda F-3 26-0323-2520 Minute 1:28:58
Farris moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the agreement for Field-Based Experiences Between John Carroll University and the Berea City School District as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	John Carroll F-18 26-0323-2521 Minute 1:30:24
Mack moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve items F20-F23 as part of the consent Agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Consent Agenda F-19 26-0323-2522 Minute 1:31:03
Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve the quote from Paxton/Patterson Learning Systems as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Paxton/ Patterson F-24 26-0323-2523 Minute 1:32:13
Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to adopt the AP Statistics Textbook, The Practice of Statistics for the AP Course, and the online add-ons as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	AP Statistics Textbook F-25 26-0323-2524 Minute 1:39:23
Mack moved and Campbell seconded the recommendation to approve the addendum quote from Strategic Solutions for additional modules and professional scanning services as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Strategic Solutions F-26 26-0323-2525 Minute 1:39:56
Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve the agreement regarding the Electricity Purchase Program of the Ohio Schools Council to allow the OSC to act on the district's behalf to negotiate and purchase electricity as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	Electric Purch. Program F-27 26-0323-2526 Minute 1:41:08
Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve the quote from ALCO for BWC Grant Equipment as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	BWC Grant Equip. F-28 26-0323-2527 Minute 1:42:19
Mack moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the quote from All Ways Construction for the Seal coating of Berea-Midpark Middle School, Big Creek, Transportation and Buildings and Grounds parking Lots as shown on the agenda. Ayes: Chapman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Farris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nayes: None	All Ways Construction F-29 26-0323-2528 Minute 1:42:48

Farris moved and Campbell seconded the recommendation to approve the new policies, po2431.06, po6425, Po6465 as shown on the agenda. New Policies F-30
Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal **26-0323-2529**
Nayes: None [Minute 1:43:31](#)

Campbell moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the revision of bylaws, po0116 and Po0142.3 as shown on the agenda. Bylaw Rev. F-31
Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal **26-0323-2530**
Nayes: None [Minute 1:44:06](#)

Mack moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the policy revisions, po5421, po5430, And po6325 as shown on the agenda. Policy Rev. F-32
Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal **26-0323-2531**
Nayes: None [Minute 1:45:04](#)

First read of replacement policy, po7540.09, Artificial Intelligence. Replacement Policy F-33
[Minute 1:49:08](#)

G. Treasurer Recommendations

Mrs. Rowe presented the March 2026 Report. Treasurer's Update G-1
[Minute 1:50:20](#)

Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve items G3-G7 as part of the consent Agenda. Consent Agenda G-2
Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal **26-0323-2532**
Nayes: None [Minute 1:55:19](#)

Farris moved and Mack seconded the motion to approve the Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Fiscal Officer for the 2026-2027 school year as shown on the agenda. Tax Rate Resolution G-8
Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal **26-0323-2533**
Nayes: None [Minute 1:55:39](#)

Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve the Resolution provisioning the issuance And Sales of bonds in a maximum aggregate principal amount of \$101,665,000 for the purpose of refunding for Debt charges savings certain of school district's school improvement bonds, series 2017; authorizing and Directing the call for optional redemption of the refunded bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of a Bond registrar agreement and a bond purchase agreement with respect to the refunding bonds, and an escrow Agreement with respect to the refunding of the refunded bonds; and authorizing the preparation, use and Distribution of an official statement and any an all other necessary disclosure document relating thereto. Resolution to Refund G-9
Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal **26-0323-2534**
Nayes: None [Minute 1:56:36](#)

H. Regular Business

Campbell moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2026, Special Meeting, the February 17, 2026, IDEA Hearing, and the February 17, 2026, Regular Meeting, as shown on the agenda. Minutes Approval H-1
Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal **26-0323-2535**
Nayes: None [Minute 1:57:38](#)

Mrs. Chapman reported the Legislature Update. HB 561 is scheduled for a hearing, addressing vaccine Requirements for Ohio schools and childcare settings. Several bills are under consideration: HB 715, would establish reporting requirements for charter schools; HB 473, concerning public employer retirement Contribution pickup methods; SB 163, addresses use of artificial intelligence requiring watermarks on Certain AI-generated content; HB 485, requires schools to present annual fetal development instruction beginning In grade five; HB 693, addresses state agency and school responses in certain family-related situations; HB 671, School district funding in relation to ongoing voucher litigation.

Further information was given on: SB 19, requiring school districts to develop math intervention improvement Plans similar to reading plans; HB 326, would add the Classic Learning Test as an approved College Entrance Assesment; SB 113, addresses diversity, equity, and inclusion programming and training in K-12 schools.

Mrs Chapman also noted that Senate Concurrent Resolution 16 is scheduled for a hearing and urges Congress to Consider dismantling the U.S. Department of Education.

Legislative
Update H-2
[Minute 1:58:07](#)

None

Committee
Brd. Comments
Reports &
H-3/H-4

Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve the changes made to the 2026 Board Meetings as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal

Nayes: None

2026 Board
Meetings H-5
26-0323-2536
[Minute 2:01:22](#)

Mack moved and Michal seconded the recommendation to adopt the Guiding Principles as shown on the Agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal

Nayes: None

Guid. Principle
H-6
26-0323-2537
[Minute 2:02:20](#)

Mack moved and Campbell seconded the recommendation to approve the changes made to the Board of Education Member Handbook as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal

Nayes: None

BOE Handbook
H-7
26-0323-2538
[Minute 2:03:24](#)

Discussion of Board Policy Committee addition.

Discussion
H-8
[Minute 2:06:10](#)

I. Adjournment

Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Campbell Farris Michal

Nayes: None

Adjournment
I-1
26-0217-2539
[Minute 2:07:13](#)

Time adjourned: 8:00 p.m.

Date of Approval: 04/20/2026 Approved: Ana Chapman Attest: Jul A Lowe