

DEER PARK COMMUNITY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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The Deer Park Community City Board of Education, Cincinnati, Ohio met in regular session, pursuant to the rules, in the Professional Development Center, 8688 Donna Lane, Cincinnati, Ohio on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 4:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present – Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis

Absent – None

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

- No. 51-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the Meeting Agenda, of the regular meeting of March 17, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis

Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- No. 52-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the minutes of the Board Development meeting of March 3, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis

Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

- No. 53-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the Treasurer's financial report for the month of February, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis

Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

AUTHORIZE TREASURER TO INVEST

No. 54-26 Mrs. Kellums moved, seconded by Mr. Godwin, to authorize the Treasurer to invest as follows:

Star Ohio		
3/02/2026	Redemption	\$1,000,000.00*

*To pay for district operations such as payroll, accounts payable, and outstanding checks.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

During reports of the Superintendent:

- Assistant Superintendent Report- Mindy Robertson
 - Grant Updates
 - Innovative Workforce Credential Reimbursement
- Communications Report - Jake Snyder
- Great Oaks Report - Karen Kellums
 - Student of the Month- Bri Siemers

APPROVAL OF DONATION

No. 55-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the following donations:

• Pettyjohn Family	\$250	To be used towards 2026 Prom Sponsorship
• Monti Inc.	\$250	To be used towards 2026 Prom Sponsorship
• Deer Park Dance Program	\$250	To be used towards 2026 Prom Sponsorship
• Vielhauer Family	\$1,000	To be used towards 2026 Prom Sponsorship • Decal Impressions (\$500)

		• Bryan & Sarah Vielhauer (\$250) • Helge & Sabine Jochens (\$250)
• Kelly Parkhurst • Matthew Parkhurst	\$125 \$125	To be used towards 2026 Prom Sponsorship
• DP PTO	\$256	To be used towards the Zoo Kindergarten Field Trip for the 2025-26 school year.
• DP Boosters	\$250	To be used towards supplies and materials towards prom 2026.
• DP Athletic Boosters	\$3,000	To be used towards the purchase of uniforms for the 2025-26 school year

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF LANDSCAPING SERVICE CONTRACT

No. 56-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to enter into an agreement with DND Landscaping, LLC. District landscape services. Contract to begin on 3/21/26 through 3/21/27.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CHARTER SPECTRUM E-RATE AGREEMENT

No. 57-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the agreement with Charter Spectrum for dark fiber services rendered from July 1, 2026 through June 30th, 2031.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FORWARD EDGE TECHNOLOGY CONTRACT

No. 58-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve IT Professional Services Agreement with Forward Edge from July 1, 2026 through June 30th, 2029.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF NEOLA POLICY

No. 59-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the revised Neola policy, a copy of which becomes part of these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

No. 60-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the Classified Employee Contracts for the 2025-26 School year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Howard Smith	Jr/Sr HS Substitute School Security Officer	Substitute	28	4/12/26- 5/20/26	See Attached

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

- No. 61-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the Classified Employee Contracts for the 2026-27 School year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jim Wergers	Jr/Sr High School Security Officer	2 year limited	175	7/01/26-6/30/28	See Attached

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

- No. 62-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the Administrative Classified Employee Contracts for the 2026-27 School year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Carolyn Thornton	Transportation Coordinator	3 year limited	8/1/2026-8/1/2029	See Attached

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays - None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF RESCINDING SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

- No. 63-26 Mrs. Kellums moved, seconded by Mr. Godwin, recommend rescinding supplemental contracts for the 2025-26 school year as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Alanna Haas	After School Enrichment Facilitator (Spring)	\$422
Emily Hoops	After School Enrichment Facility (Spring)	\$422
Donna Beiting	After School Enrichment Facilitator (Spring)	\$422
Michelle Lemmon	After School Enrichment Facilitator (Spring)	\$422

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ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

No. 64-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, recommend supplemental contracts for the 2025-26 school year as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nate Eigher	Wrestling Varsity Coach (Split)	\$3,061
Joe Castenir	Wrestling Varsity Coach (Split)	\$3,061
Alanna Haas	After School Enrichment Facilitator (Spring)	\$431
Emily Hoops	After School Enrichment Facility (Spring)	\$431
Donna Beiting	After School Enrichment Facilitator (Spring)	\$431
Michelle Lemmon	After School Enrichment Facilitator (Spring)	\$431
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ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF EXTENDED CONTRACT DAYS FOR SPECIAL
EDUCATION SERVICES FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR**

No. 65-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to approve the following contract days for special education services for the 2025-26 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Amount</u>
McKenzie Wills	Speech Language Pathologist	Up to 2 Days	Current Per Diem Rate

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF A RESIGNATION

No. 66-26 Mr. Godwin moved, seconded by Mrs. Kellums, to accept the resignation of the following employees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Jeff Benjamin	Teacher	5/21/26
Denise Engle	Food Services Worker	5/21/26
Jeoff Gabbard	Teacher	5/21/26
Quinn Gorman	Teacher	5/21/26
Jodie McKee	Food Services Worker	5/21/26
Julie Sippola	Teacher	5/21/26
Sonnet Surber	Teacher	5/21/26

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Bosse, Godwin, Huster, Kellums, Ellis
Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD DISCUSSION

During Board Discussion:

The Board of Education would like to recognize Matthew Bosse and the entire Matthew's Mighty Marchers team for their efforts in supporting the American Heart Association. Matthews Mighty Marchers has been supporting the AHA for 27 years. The team was started in honor of Matthew Bosse, a 2016 graduate of DPHS. Over the 27 years, many staff members have participated in the event, making it a true community fundraiser. This year's walk raised over \$8,200, with 10 staff members joining Matthew downtown.

For 10 years, Matthew has spearheaded a Spaghetti Dinner, in conjunction with the DP Soccer teams and the AHA, to raise both funds and awareness of heart health within the community. Thanks to Greg Huster for his continued leadership in galvanizing the school and athletic communities to participate in the event.

On the evening of Thursday, March 5, seven Deer Park students traveled to St. Cecilia School in Independence, Kentucky to represent our district in the Great History Challenge. This marks the second year Deer Park has participated in the quiz-style competition, where students answer Jeopardy-style social studies questions covering Ancient, World, and American history.

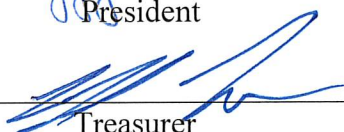
Seventh graders Lincoln Stoffolano and Madilynn Wiechering, along with eighth graders Douglas Byrd, Henry Davis, Grady Kloesz, Jack Lance, and Patience Larson, represented Deer Park with pride, increasing the number of students advancing to the next round from three last years to five this year. Lincoln, Madilynn, Henry, Grady, and Jack earned invitations to compete in the national round of the Great History Challenge the weekend of May 22 in Columbus, Ohio. A special thank you to Sara Godwin for her leadership and dedication in preparing and supporting our students for this competition. Her work with the team helped make this opportunity possible and contributed to their outstanding success. Congratulations to all seven students on an outstanding showing!. Red Carpet and Spot Lights for the Upcoming 80th Anniversary for the Parkers Performance.

ADJOURNMENT

No. 67-26 Mrs. Kellums moved, seconded by Mr. Godwin, to adjourn the meeting at 5:16 P.M.

Motion carried unanimously.

(Signed) Peggy Bosse
President

(Attested) 
Treasurer