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EAST KNOX BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Thursday, June 18, 2026, 6:00 PM – Elementary

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

This is a public meeting of the East Knox Board of Education for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

Board Members: Lindsay Bush-President, Randy Reese-Vice-President,
Josh Beltz, Alan Huffman, Melissa Tomlinson

A. Call to Order

The President calls the meeting to order.

B. Roll Call

The President calls the roll.

J. Beltz
L. Bush
A. Huffman
R. Reese
M. Tomlinson

C. Approval of the Agenda

Recommendation to approve the agenda as presented.

J. Beltz
L. Bush
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M. Tomlinson

D. Public Participation

- Please see Board Policy #0169.1

E. Treasurer Report

F. Treasurer Recommendations

Recommendation to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2026, regular meeting.

Recommendation to approve the May 2026 Financial Report as presented.

Recommendation to authorize the treasurer to make year-end financial adjustments as necessary.

Recommendation that the board authorizes the treasurer to appropriate up to $10,000 to MicroImage Inc. for the 2026-2027 school year for old student and fiscal records for permanent retention electronically per the agreement, board approved on November 15, 2018.

Recommendation to hereby adopt and implement a cybersecurity program that aligns with the requirements of ORC 9.64(c).

Recommendation to approve the transfer of $50,000 from the 001 General Fund to the 035 Termination Benefits Fund.

Recommendation to accept with appreciation and gratitude the following donations:

Amount	From	To	Purpose
$1,500.00	East Knox Lions Club	EK Athletic Dept.	Track Hurdles
$300.00	East Knox Lions Club	FCCLA	Student trip to DC for Nationals
$150.00	The Killbuck Savings Bank	FCCLA	Student trip to DC for Nationals
$40.00	McKenna VonAllman	FCCLA	Student trip to DC for Nationals
$223.16	Kenyon College	EK Elem	BFEC field trip transportation
$300.00	Capital Square Fndtn.-Honda	4th Grade	State House transportation

Recommendation to approve the following Fiscal Year 2026 budgetary amendment(s):

001	General	$(335,513.12)
002	Debt Retirement	$ 1,877.86
003	Permanent Improvement	$(246,469.83)
070	Capital Projects	$ 313,291.99
009	Uniform School Supplies	$ (538.41)
024	Employee Benefits Fund	$ 280,000.00
006	Food Services	$ (36,837.77)

018	Public School Support	$ (5,629.31)
019	Other Grants	$ (4,972.05)
022	Custodial Funds	$ 515.00
035	Termination Benefits	$ (26,878.08)
200	Student Managed Student Activity	$ (37,149.61)
516	Part-B, IDEA Special Education	$ (30,839.31)
536	Title I School Improvement A	$ (23,366.78)
572	Title I-Disadvantaged Children/Targeted Assistance	$ (48,612.78)
584	Student Support and Academic Enrichment Programs	$ (135.74)
590	Improving Teacher Quality	$ (13,806.51)

Recommendation to approve the following Fiscal Year 2027 student activity accounts (pending submission of purpose and budget statement by activity advisors):

200-9110 Art Club
200-9130 Drama Fund
200-9302 Spanish Club
200-9310 JH Student Council
200-9320 F.C.C.L.A.
200-9330 F.F.A.
200-9350 Europe Trip
200-9027 Class of 2027
200-9028 Class of 2028
200-9610 HS Student Council
200-9630 Life Skills Class
200-9680 Yearbook Fund
200-9690 EK Elementary K-6
200-9691 CBI
200-9710 National Honor Society
200-9304 Debate Club
200-9360 JR/SR High PBIS

Recommendation to approve the FY27 Estimated Revenues and Permanent Appropriations as follows:

	FY 2027 Estimated Revenues	FY 2027 Permanent Appropriations
GENERAL FUND		
001 General Fund	$16,880,027.00	$14,610,001.07
DEBT SERVICE FUND		
002 Bond Retirement	$1,741,360.00	$1,860,050.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS		
003 Permanent Improvement	$796,710.00	$331,080.00
070 Capital Projects Fund	$-	$802,329.00

ENTERPRISE FUNDS			
009	School Supply	$2,500.00	$1,500.00
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS			
024	Employee Benefits Fund	$2,550,000.00	$2,540,000.00
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS			
006	Food Services	$510,000.00	$609,693.00
018	Public School Support	$6,950.00	$11,400.00
019	Local Grants	$5,000.00	$9,000.00
035	Termination Benefits	$-	$50,000.00
200	Student Activity	$101,850.00	$116,350.00
300	Athletics	$98,300.00	$96,670.00
516	Part-B IDEA	$292,523.96	$292,523.96
536	School Improvement and Support	$22,412.14	$22,412.14
572	Title I	$350,942.86	$350,942.86
584	Title IV-A	$27,430.71	$27,430.71
590	Title II-A	$55,543.20	$55,543.20
	TOTAL	$23,441,549.87	$21,786,925.94

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R. Reese
M. Tomlinson

G. Athletics

- Mr. Bailey Sprague

H. Building Reports

- Elementary

- Jr./Sr. HS

I. Superintendent Report and Board/Community Discussion

- Updates/Discussion Items

J. Superintendent Recommendations

Recommendation to approve the following Neola Board Policies as presented:

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PO5421	GRADING
PO5430	CLASS RANK

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Recommendation to participate in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program for the 2026-2027 school year for free breakfast and lunch programming for all K-12 students.

Recommendation to approve the following surrogate list for the 2026-2027 school year:

Bonnie Buffington
Julie Borchers
Julie Grinstead
Leslie Reid
Holly Butcher-Grimmer

Recommendation to approve an agreement with Dyslexia on Demand for dyslexia therapy services for a total cost not to exceed $7,756.50 through May 22, 2027.

Recommendation to approve the contract with Cornerstone Pediatric Therapy LTD for physical therapy services for the 2026-2027 school year at $60 per hour.

Recommendation to approve a Preventative Maintenance Agreement with Speer Mechanical for the Elementary School from July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027 at a cost of $3,308 and for the Junior/Senior High School from July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027 at a cost of $7,074.

Recommendation to approve the quote from Xtek Partners for 3D printers for $6,129.76.

Recommendation to approve the quote from Xtek Partners for HP 527pm 27” Class WQHD LCD Monitors for a cost of $5,050.

Recommendation to approve the proposal from Apple Inc. for the purchase of IPads and computers for use for Project Lead the Way and art programming for $11,042.

Recommendation to approve the proposal from Apple Inc. for the purchase of Mac mini’s: Apple M4 chip with 10-core CPU and 10-core GPU, 24GB, 512GB SSD for a cost of $13,459.50.

Recommendation to approve the agreement with AdTec for e-rate consulting services for funding year 2027 for Category One services at an annual cost of $1,800.

Recommendation to approve the estimate from American Mobile Tint, Glass, and Accessories for $62,205.50 for safety film installation throughout the elementary building. Cost to be partially offset by $6,428.73 in grant funds.

Recommendation to approve the estimate from Renegade Lift Service for $61,261 for equipment and installation of a replacement bus lift.

Recommendation to approve the purchase of biology curriculum from Savvas Learning Company for $7,458.

Recommendation to approve the purchase of Social Studies Curriculum from TCI as follows:

$30,996	4-6
$16,211.70	7-8
$3,689.35	World Connections

Recommendation to approve the 2026-2027 admission fees for athletic events as set by the Knox-Morrow Athletic Conference:

Varsity Events
Adult $8.00
Student $5.00
*in season athlete $2.00

All Other Events
Adult $5.00
Student $3.00
*in season athlete $2.00

Recommendation to approve the May 17, 2026 final graduation list as follows:

Daniel	Christopher	Adams
Alex	Edward	Anderson
Thomas	Leon	Ary
Ariel	Ann	Atkinson
Anthony	John	Baxter
Spencer	James	Bennett
Kyra	Elizabeth	Blackshear
Jacob	William Daniel	Blakely
Maggie	Rae	Bond
Bella	Elizabeth	Brady
Kaiden	Matthew	Brady
Hunter	Drake	Calbert
Joslyn	Hannah	Campos
Jeffrey	Edward	Cook
Macy	Kate Ann	Cotsamire
Jaxon	Coy	Crawford
Jonathan	Owen	Cunningham

Landen	Ryder	Davis
Maxwell	Cameron	Dexter
Jesse	Taylor	Dudgeon
Clayton	Ross	Evans
Logan	Lance	Fawcett
Macie	Lynn	Fawcett
Wyatt	Joseph	Frost
Preston	James	Gibson
Brianna	Rose	Goodman
James	Paul	Grennell, Jr.
Zayne	David	Grennell
Kellen	Michael	Grigsby
Jaycub	***Tyler***	***Hagans***
Carson	Scott	Hammond
Daosheng	Edward	Harroff
Jaidyn	Janelle	Hawkins
Logan	Alexander	Hercenberg
Lydia	Ann	Hill
Ayden	Earl	Hinger
Zoey	Ann	Huffman
Cadence	Marie	Johnson
Katelynn	Nicole	Johnson
Ethan	Samual Alex	Kapper
Beau	Michael	Keller
Gavin	Hunter	Kidwell
Samuel	Paul Ryan	King
Sylas	James	Lamneck
Autumn	Pearl	Laymon
Jaxon	Dean	Lester
Logan	Bert	Lewis
Joseph	Lee	Lively
Zachary	Ethan	Lowe
Charlotte	Dawn	Mann
Waylon	James	Martin
Hunter	Douglas	McDonald
Hanna	Avery	Merritt
Emma	Marie	Metcalf
Kyson	Bernell	Miller
Miles	Irwin	Mitchell
Brooklyn	Ace	Morand
Anthony	Nathanial	Moreland

Addison	Rae	Mostaka
Kloee	LeeAnn	Myers
Zoey	Lynn	Parker
Kate	Elizabeth	Phillips
Thyler	Ray	Phom
Alivia	Beth	Potter
Carlie	Ann	Pratt
Ezekiel	Jonathan	Proudfoot
Peyton	Nycole	Riel
Aidan	Grant	Riggle
Philip	Hunter	Schlaegel
Jasmine	Marie	Smith
Briana	Noel	Steinwender
Carver	Brandon	Stephens
Blake	Daniel	Stiner
Ryleah	Quinn	Thompson
Osmel		Velasco Perez
Ryan	Joseph	Vlock
Gracie	Mae	Wengerd
Mackenzie	Marie	Wilson

Recommendation to approve agreement with Mid-Ohio ESC to provide Gifted Services Coordinator services for $31,500.

Recommendation to approve the quote from TriMark for a Convotherm Combi Gas Oven for the elementary school kitchen for a cost of $30,092.30, including installation.

Recommendation to approve the quote from TriMark for a Garland, 36”, 6-Burner Gas Range for the jr./sr. high school kitchen for a cost of $5,280.34, including installation.

Recommendation to approve Raptor Emergency Management Suite annual access license and one-time implementation fee and training for $7,615.

Recommendation to start an Archery Club at the Jr./Sr. High School.

Recommendation to approve the Student Handbooks as presented for the Jr./Sr. High and the Elementary for the 2026-2027 school year.

Recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Career and Technology Education Centers of Licking County (C-Tec) for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school year for $3,800 per year for participation in the structured training program for CTE licensure.

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Recommendation to approve the following resolution with PlayCore Wisconsin DBA GameTime for the Elementary Playground project.

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH PLAYCORE WISCONSIN INC. DBA GAMETIME FOR THE ELEMENTARY PLAYGROUND PROJECT

The Superintendent requests that the Board authorize an agreement with PlayCore Wisconsin Inc. dba GameTime (the "Vendor") for the Elementary Playground Project (the "Project") in accordance with O.R.C. 9.48 for contracts procured through a joint purchasing cooperative.

Rationale:

1. The District previously identified a need for the Project, which generally consists of improvements to the playground located at the Elementary School Building.
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3. Pursuant to Attorney General Opinion 2024-003, O.R.C. 9.48 permits a board of education to procure equipment and installation, maintenance, and/or repair services through a joint purchasing cooperative, such as OMNIA Partners ("OMNIA"), with the procurement being exempt from competitive bidding requirements set forth in O.R.C. 3313.46.
4. Vendor will provide and install playground equipment and materials as well as other installation, maintenance, and/or repair services for the Project (the "Vendor's Scope of Work"). Other scopes of work for the Project will be performed by a separate contractor procured via competitive bidding.
5. Accordingly, the District solicited a proposal from Vendor for the Project, and Vendor provided a proposal totaling $514,419.16 (the "Proposed Price") for the Vendor's Scope of Work for the Project. Vendor indicates that its pricing is consistent with the pricing structure awarded to Vendor through the OMNIA program and its OMNIA contract #2017001134. Vendor has been requested to provide validation of pricing under the OMNIA program.
6. The Board is a member or will become a member of OMNIA, which is a joint purchasing cooperative that offers its members access to competitively procured contracts, and is compliant with the requirements of O.R.C. 9.48.
7. The Superintendent requests that the Board authorize the Superintendent and Treasurer, working with other District Administrators and legal counsel, to negotiate and execute an agreement with Vendor in an amount not-to-exceed the Proposed Price at the conclusion of satisfactory negotiations on behalf of the Board for the Vendor's Scope of Work for the Project.

8. To facilitate timely completion of the Project, the Superintendent also requests authority for the Superintendent and Treasurer to execute change orders to the agreement with Vendor for the Project in a total amount not-to-exceed 15% of the Proposed Price. Change orders in excess of that aggregate amount will be brought to the Board for its consideration.

The East Knox Local School District Board of Education resolves as follows:

1. Based on the information provided, and exercising its authority under O.R.C. 9.48, the Board authorizes the procurement of Vendor for the Project without the need to engage in competitive bidding.

2. The Superintendent and Treasurer, working with other District Administrators and legal counsel, are authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement with Vendor in an amount not-to-exceed the Proposed Price at the conclusion of satisfactory negotiations on behalf of the Board for Vendor's Scope of Work for the Project.

3. The Superintendent and Treasurer are further authorized to execute change orders to the agreement with the Vendor in a total amount not-to-exceed 15% of the Proposed Price for the Project. Change orders in excess of that amount individually or in the aggregate will be brought to the Board for its consideration.

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K. Personnel—(Subject to proper placement on the salary scale, contingent upon favorable report from the BCII/FBI, and receipt of proper certification.)

Recommendation to accept the following resignations at the end of the contract year:

Megan Moledor, Classroom Teacher
Kati Weber, Classroom Teacher

Recommendation to approve the following, classroom teachers, on a one-year limited contract for the 2026-2027 school year:

Weston Melick	BA	Step 0
Emily Brockway	BA/150	Step 0
William O'Hara	MA	Step 3

Recommendation to approve the following supplemental contract for the 2025-2026 school year:

Heather Bostic	Assist. Track Coach	Step 0

Recommendation to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2026-2027 school year:

Megan Bullock	Jr./Sr. High PBIS Member	Step 0

Elizabeth Pozderac	Leo Club Advisor	Step 0
Wess McKown	Assist. Varsity Football	Step 6
Callie Proper	JH Cheer Coach	Step 0
Fawnda Stahl	Junior Class Advisor	Step 5
Curtis Belcher	Junior Class Advisor	Step 2
Tammy Lemley	Head Cheer Advisor	Step 2
Aaron Vance	Asst Band Director	Step 2
Nyssa Lucky	Flag Advisor	Step 4
Mattea Forshey	Assist. Volleyball (Freshman) Coach	Step 2
Brian Dodd	Marching Band Director	Step 2
William O'Hara	Head Basketball Coach	Step 0

Recommendation to approve the following employees who can administer medication for the 2026-2027 school year.

Tyler Guilliams
Fawnda Bible Stahl
Amanda Wilson
Shannon Sprang
Laura Radermacher
Alicia Simmons
Amber Carpenter
Elizabeth Pozderac
Melissa Moreland
Krista Reese
Tessa Hedrick
Brian Dodd
Jennifer O'Hara
Denise Campbell
Molly Thoma
Olivia Campbell
Debra Dugan-Burden

Recommendation to approve the following for Kindergarten Jumpstart to be held on August 4, 2026 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for students. An additional one hour of prep for teachers at a rate of $30 per hour:

Ashley Fowler
Afton Griffith
Halie Moreland
Jayna Svoboda
Cara Owens

Recommendation to approve a certified van/bus driver to drive students for ESY (extended school year) educational services at their hourly rate for June and July 2026.

Recommendation to approve Megan Bullock as a van driver for up to two (2) hours per day, for high school summer school 2026 for transporting of a student, at the sub bus driver rate.

Recommendation to approve the following for ESY services at the rate of $30.00 per hour for June and July 2026 not to exceed 5 hours per week per student:

Bria Warner

Allison Bennett
Abigail Grandstaff

Recommendation to pay the following for Professional Development during the summer 2026, upon completion of work and submission of timesheets:

Hours	Who	Reason
9	Lauren Mohnasky	Work with the Mid-Ohio ESC, coordinate transfer services from Knox County ESC
3	Intervention Specialists	ODEW ETR/IEP training
6	ELA	Curriculum mapping and planning (in lieu of new curriculum training approved in May)
12	Jessica Eaton	ELA course planning and curriculum mapping
12	Jessica Eaton & Kelsey Sinzinger	Career course development
6	Emily Brockway	New science curriculum training
15	Leah Gatton	Gifted training and certification
2	Elizabeth Pozderac, Abigail Cummins, & Tisha Melick	Special education discussion & scheduling

Recommendation to move Angela Buchert to MA+15, Step 5 for the 2026-2027 school year due to proof of completion of course work and previous teaching experience.

Recommendation to change Cynthia May's contract for instructional assistant/tutor for the 2026-2027 school year to Step 4 from Step 5 due to verification of experience.

Recommendation to approve the following summer school staffing changes 2026:

Angel Van Rhoden - Summer School Bus Driver for 4 hours per day (note: this replaces another approved driver)

Roxanna Burch - Summer School Bus Driver for 2.5 hours per day

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Recommendation to approve the following supplemental contract for the 2026-2027 school year:

Abbigail Lester	Head Varsity Softball Coach	Step 2

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L. Adjournment

Recommendation to adjourn the meeting at _____ p.m.

J. Beltz
L. Bush
A. Huffman
R. Reese
M. Tomlinson