BOARD NOTES

To help aid in communication, we were asked to post some notes on what took place at each board meeting. These are *not* the official meeting minutes, as they will be approved at the next board meeting. These, however, are the running notes from each meeting.

Meeting Date: **September 15, 2025**

Time: **6:00 p.m.**

Location: **Newton Elementary School**

The meeting in September is a regular business meeting. The board began on time at 6:00 p.m. with all present except Mrs. Bruce. There were no recognitions this month to report on. The board heard the superintendent's report concerning the district report card, middle school repairs, and a reminder of the OSBA Conference. The treasurer provided the board with a synopsis of the district's finances and the forecast for the district.

Committee information was provided for buildings and grounds by Dr. Krueger, outlining the work the maintenance department has been able to accomplish, a request from the café to look at putting wall wraps up. Mrs. Atherton gave a presentation concerning the strategic plan and upcoming events.

The work session had the first read of several policies. In the consent agenda, for personnel, there were several staffing resolutions concerning the hiring of personnel and accepting resignations for cafeteria staff. There was a resolution to approve a contract with Ohio State for athletic training services. In the finance consent agenda, the board acted on items for payment of bills and purchase orders, and approved a resolution requiring the continuation of a five-year financial forecast.

In other board action, the board approved volunteers for the school year and athletic volunteers. An overnight class trip for eighth-grade students to Washington, D.C. was also approved.

Board discussion included a discussion about the benefits of OSBA information, particularly the success of Steubenville schools in their reading program.

The meeting concluded at 6:34 p.m. The next meeting is on October 20, 2025, at Utica Middle School, starting at 6:00 p.m.