

Poland Local Schools

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 25, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Dobbins Board of Education Room, 3030 Dobbins Rd, Poland, Ohio 44514

Mission Statement

“Educate, empower and inspire every student at every opportunity”

I. Call to Order

A. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Polis.

B. Roll Call:

- Mrs. Erin Memo – here
- Mr. Troy Polis – here
- Mr. Gregg Riddle – here
- Mr. Jeff Sabrin – here
- Mr. Larry Warren – here

Also present: Andy Tommelleo, Interim Superintendent; Jeanette Medina, Treasurer/CFO; Maria Hoffmaster, Assistant Superintendent; Matt McKenzie, Director of Operations; Patrice Almasy, Secretary to the Superintendent.

II. Motion to Revise Order of Agenda

Motion to move public participation before executive session. **(#2026-28)**

Motion by Mr. Sabrin, seconded by Mr. Warren. Motion Carried 5-0.

III. Public Participation

Citizen Lee Galgon discussed talked about property taxes and Union and North Buildings

IV. Executive Session

Motion to enter executive session to consider the employment of a public employee.
(#2026-29)

Motion by Mr. Sabrin, seconded by Mr. Warren. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board entered executive session at 6:05 p.m. and returned at 7:02 p.m.

V. Reconvene to Regular Session

Motion to reconvene to regular session **(#2026-30)**

Motion by Mr. Riddle, seconded by Mrs. Memo. Motion carried 5-0.

VI. Presentations

- A. Jeanette Medina, Treasurer, presented the financial forecast predicting deficit spending by FY27 and outlined the largest variances from October 2025 forecast, including the effects of Property Tax Reform.

VII. Treasurer/CFO's Requests of Consent

Motion to approve the following 1- 3 financial recommendations as presented. **(#2026-31)**

- A. APPROVE the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 21, 2026, the Special Meeting of January 29, 2026, and the Regular Meeting of February 4, 2026
- B. APPROVE the January 2026 financial reports as submitted
- C. ACCEPT the donations as listed on the agenda

Motion by Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Riddle. Motion carried 5-0.

VIII. Treasurer/CFO's Requests Not in Consent

Motion to approve the following financial recommendations as presented:

- A. APPROVE submission of financial forecast as presented by Treasurer. **(#2026-32)**

Motion by Mr. Sabrin, seconded by Mr. Warren. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. RECOMMEND to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the Mahoning County Budget Commission and authorize the necessary tax levies for the tax year 2025 (collection year 2026), and to certify this resolution to the Mahoning County Auditor in accordance with applicable provisions of Ohio law. **(#2026-33)**

Motion by Mr. Riddle, seconded by Mr. Sabrin. Motion carried 5-0.

IX. Superintendent's Requests of Consent

Motion to approve items 1- 6 as presented in the agenda **(#2026-34)**:

- A. HR/Staffing recommendations – item 1
- B. Curriculum recommendations – items 2-4
- C. Operations recommendations – item 5
- D. Athletics recommendations – item 6

Motion by Mr. Warren, seconded by Mrs. Memo. Motion carried 5-0.

X. Superintendent's Requests Not Included in Consent

Operations

- A. APPROVE the contract between The Education Magazine and Poland Local Schools to promote and highlight our school district **(#2026-35)**

Motion by Mr. Sabrin, seconded by Mr. Warren. Motion carried 5-0.

- A. APPROVE the resolution with Ohio Schools Council Cooperative to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of school bus chassis and bodies during the OSC Spring 2026 Cooperative School Bus and Van Purchasing Program, with no cost to participate. **(#2026-36)**

Motion by Mr. Warren, seconded by Mrs. Memo. Motion carried 5-0.

XI. Informational Items – Union RFQ Update

Matt McKenzie reported that the administration had a brief meeting with Envision, who was used for the prior Union RFQ process, and stressed the importance of scheduling a meeting with all interested parties. The board still wants to move forward with the process and hopes to finalize the superintendent search soon so that he or she can be involved.

XII. Executive Session

Motion to enter executive session to consider the employment of a public employee. **(#2026-37)**

Motion by Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Riddle. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board entered executive session at 8:27 p.m. and returned at 9:15 p.m.

XIII. Reconvene to Regular Session and Adjourn Meeting

Motion to reconvene to regular session and adjourn meeting. (#2026-38)

Motion by Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Riddle. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Special Board Meetings will be held on March 2 and March 3, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at Dobbins.
- The next scheduled regular and/or work session will be held on March 11, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Dobbins.

Approved by the Board of Education on: _____

President, Board of Education: _____ Date: _____

Treasurer/CFO: _____ Date: _____