

Gallipolis City School District Board of Education

Regular Meeting

August 19, 2026

The Gallipolis City School District Board of Education met at 6:30 p.m. on August 19, 2026 at Gallia Academy Middle School located at 340 Fourth Avenue, Gallipolis, OH 45631.

REGULAR MEETING

Coach Jim Osborne and Darren Clark were in attendance.

VISITORS

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with President Morgan Saunders presiding. The following members were present: Ms. Lynn Angell; Ms. Meghan Denney; Ms. Jennifer Easter; Mr. Alex Saunders; Mr. Morgan Saunders; Mr. Craig Wright, Superintendent; Ms. Bethany Lewis, Treasurer; Audrey McKinniss, Student Representative; and Loulea Walker, Student Representative.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Pledge of Allegiance

PLEDGE

(93-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to approve the agenda

APPROVE AGENDA

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.

Motion approved.

(94-26) Motion by Mr. Alex Saunders seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to approve the minutes of July 15, 2026 regular meeting

APPROVE MINUTES

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes. Motion approved.

Treasurer Lewis presented the forecast.

FINANCIAL REPORT

(95-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to approve:

APPROPRIATIONS

A. Financial report for the month ended July 31, 2026

B. Amend appropriations for FY27 to \$32,903,390

C. Forecast

FORECAST

D. Fee Schedule for 2026-2027 school year

FEE SCHEDULE

E. Pay rates for 2026-2027 school year as follows:

1. Substitute Teacher - \$125 per day
2. Substitute Bus Drive - \$110 per day
3. Substitute Cook, Custodian, Maintenance, (Nurse) Aide, Courier and Secretary - \$14 per hour
4. Ticket Takers and Clock Workers - \$40 per event
5. Referee - \$90 for Varsity Events and \$60 for Non-Varsity Events (set by League)
6. Saturday School Monitor – GEA Tutorial Rate
7. Home Instruction – GEA Tutorial Rate
8. LPDC – GEA Tutorial Rate

F. Renew medical insurance with Anthem at 4% increase for CY2027

PAY RATES

MEDICAL
INSURANCE

President Morgan Saunders asked for more information regarding the bus rotation and technology capital outlay in the forecast for FY27.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes;

Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.

Motion approved.

GALLUPOLIS CITY SCHOOLS
2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR
Fiscal Year 27
1st Amended Appropriations
ALL FUND TYPES
August 19, 2026

Governmental Fund Types		
Fund Class/Name	Fund Number	Total Appropriation
General Fund Class		
General Fund	001	25,000,023.96 *
Special Revenue Class		
Lunchroom	006	1,300,000.00
Public School Support	018	25,000.00
Education Foundation	029	3,000.00
Classroom Facilities Maintenance	034	150,000.00
Term Benefits	035	200,000.00
Student Activity	200	40,000.00
Athletics	300	212,000.00 *
Early Childhood Education	439	433,311.56 *
One Net	451	9,000.00
Miscellaneous State Grants	499	6,000.00
21st Century (After School Grant)	509	450,000.00
Title VI-B	516	778,447.18 *
Supplemental School Improve	536	73,614.36 *
Title I	572	1,480,007.06 *
Title IV - Student Support	584	79,735.74 *
Title VI-B Preschool	587	20,439.38 *
Title IIA	590	152,734.77 *
Miscellaneous Fed Grants - Rural & Low	599	117,175.99 *
Total Special Revenue Class		5,530,466.04
Debt Service Fund Class		
Bond Retirement Fund	002	1,875,000.00
Capital Project Fund Class		
Permanent Improvement Fund	003	350,000.00
Building	004	-
Capital Projects	070	140,000.00 *
Total Capital Project Fund Class		490,000.00
Proprietary Fund Types		
Enterprise Fund Class		
Uniform School Supplies	009	7,900.00
Total Enterprise Fund Class		7,900.00
Total Appropriations-All Fund Types		32,903,390.00

FY27
APPROPRIATIONS

Gallipolis City School District
Gallia

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2024, 2025 and 2026 Actual;
Forecasted Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2027 Through 2031

	Actual			Forecasted				
	Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026	Fiscal Year 2027	Fiscal Year 2028	Fiscal Year 2029	Fiscal Year 2030	Fiscal Year 2031
Revenues								
1.010 General Property Tax (Real Estate)	5,558,887	5,915,877	5,901,033	6,127,943	6,194,795	6,206,451	6,520,490	6,664,801
1.020 Tangible Personal Property Tax	610,274	643,545	704,999	780,958	782,598	784,134	784,931	785,735
1.030 Income Tax								
1.035 Unrestricted State Grants-in-Aid	12,090,253	12,398,772	12,246,659	12,471,960	12,196,316	12,071,339	11,980,288	11,958,820
1.040 Restricted State Grants-in-Aid	1,139,494	2,058,519	1,827,212	1,782,282	1,703,753	1,699,466	1,692,281	1,686,830
1.045 Restricted Federal Grants-in-Aid - SFSE								
1.050 State Share of Local Property Taxes	720,529	774,695	789,077	830,605	888,157	889,501	938,842	987,512
1.060 All Other Revenues	2,312,554	1,326,957	1,339,136	1,332,718	1,333,565	1,334,496	1,335,521	1,335,521
1.070 Total Revenues	22,231,991	23,128,366	22,808,116	23,326,476	23,099,184	22,985,387	23,262,353	23,419,019
Other Financing Sources								
2.050 Advances-In	663,945	874,049	1,198,568	405,794				
2.060 All Other Financing Sources	110,254	34,453	325,427	228,255	229,396	230,543	231,696	231,696
2.070 Total Other Financing Sources	774,199	908,502	1,523,995	634,049	229,396	230,543	231,696	231,696
2.080 Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	23,006,190	24,036,868	24,332,111	23,960,525	23,328,580	23,215,930	23,494,049	23,650,715
Expenditures								
3.010 Personal Services	10,479,486	11,878,787	12,341,271	12,633,682	13,072,179	13,397,116	13,600,923	13,793,738
3.020 Employees' Retirement/Insurance Benefits	4,121,956	4,618,173	4,903,377	4,996,037	5,220,422	5,405,966	5,479,264	5,508,633
3.030 Purchased Services	3,388,713	3,192,834	3,476,355	3,051,320	2,890,570	2,911,960	2,953,600	2,985,300
3.040 Supplies and Materials	1,022,990	1,185,145	1,204,045	1,297,125	944,125	1,057,725	1,043,225	1,104,082
3.050 Capital Outlay	991,583	761,167	1,547,299	2,496,782	262,000	417,000	328,000	415,000
4.050 Principal-HB 264 Loans				158,378	163,166	168,098	173,179	87,878
4.060 Interest and Fiscal Charges				21,351	16,564	11,633	6,552	1,318
4.300 Other Objects	265,483	277,894	285,290	295,470	295,266	296,062	296,358	296,358
4.500 Total Expenditures	20,370,211	21,914,000	23,757,637	24,950,145	22,864,792	23,687,560	23,881,101	24,103,307
Other Financing Uses								
5.010 Operating Transfers-Out	279,728	387,428	329,729	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000
5.020 Advances-Out	875,222	1,184,852	405,794	32,716				
5.040 Total Other Financing Uses	1,154,950	1,572,280	735,523	212,716	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000
5.050 Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	21,525,161	23,486,280	24,493,160	25,162,861	23,044,792	23,867,560	24,061,101	24,373,307
6.010 Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources over (under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	1,481,020	550,588	(\$161,049)	(\$1,202,336)	\$283,788	(\$831,630)	(\$577,052)	(\$722,692)
7.010 Cash Balance July 1 - Excluding Proposed Renewal/Replacement and New Levies	6,738,381	6,219,410	8,769,998	8,808,949	7,406,613	7,690,401	7,058,771	6,481,719
7.020 Cash Balance June 30	8,219,410	8,769,998	8,608,949	7,406,613	7,690,401	7,058,771	6,481,719	5,759,127
Days Operating	139	136	128	107	122	108	98	86

FORECAST

President Morgan Saunders appointed Lynn Angell as Delegate and Alex Saunders as Alternate Delegate to the OSBA Annual Meeting to be held in November.

OSBA DELEGATE

Coach Jim Osborne and Darren Clark informed the Board of the newly created Coach Osborne and Jennifer Osborne Scholarship Fund. Fundraising events have been planned in coordination with the Athletic Hall of Fame and Alumni Association. The Scholarship will be held through the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio.

OSBORNE
SCHOLARSHIP

(96-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to recognize Emily Click's termination of her employment contract, after the tenth day of July, without the consent of the Gallipolis City School District Board of Education

RESIGNATION

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.

Motion approved.

(97-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to approve the following:

- A. Request for long term leave of Deborah Halley beginning on August 12, 2026 through November 1, 2026 with paid leave to be used until exhausted and then leave will be unpaid
- B. Resignation of Kansas Gardner as Cook effective July 20, 2026
- C. Resignation of Krista Sommer as Aide effective August 10, 2026
- D. Resignation of Christina Weaver as Aide effective August 10, 2026

LEAVE REQUEST

RESIGNATION

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes.

Motion approved.

(98-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Mr. Alex Saunders to approve resignation of Emily Click as Elementary Bus Duty Supervisor effective August 5, 2026

RESIGNATION

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes.

Motion approved.

(99-26) Motion by Ms. Meghan Denney seconded by Ms. Lynn Angell to approve:

- A. Christen Bennett as Aide on Step 9 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective August 17, 2026
- B. Rachel M. Champlin as an Aide on Step 3 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective August 17, 2026
- C. Thomas Minshall as Custodian at Step 2 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective August 20, 2026
- D. Brandon Cornell as Custodian at Step 0 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective August 20, 2026
- E. Paige Sheets as Bus Driver at Step 0 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective August 20, 2026
- F. Dakota Thomas as Custodian at Step 0 on the Classified Salary Schedule effective August 20, 2026
- G. Pay the following teachers at the tutorial rate for 6th Grade Camp:
 - 1. Kate Canaday
 - 2. Jared McClelland
 - 3. Brittani Roe

EMPLOY AIDES

EMPLOY
CUSTODIAN

EMPLOY BUS
DRIVER

EMPLOY
CUSTODIAN

6TH GRADE CAMP

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
Motion approved.

(100-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Mr. Alex Saunders to approve:

A. Substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year as follows:

1. Lori Billings as Substitute Teacher
2. Layne Dotson as Substitute Custodian
3. Chevy Elliott as Substitute Teacher
4. Wesley Henry as Substitute Cook and Substitute Custodian
5. Hayden Houck as Substitute Custodian
6. Linda Hunt as Substitute Secretary
7. Katylan Jones as Substitute Teacher
8. Krystal Kay as Substitute Teacher
9. Justin Lewis as Substitute Teacher
10. Ricardo Maldonado as Substitute Teacher
11. Charles McGraw – Substitute Teacher
12. Angela Price – Substitute Teacher
13. Cheryl Rife – Substitute Bus Driver
14. Betty Triplett – Substitute Cook and Substitute Custodian

SUBSTITUTES

B. Supplemental contracts for the 2026-2027 school year as follows:

1. District Leadership Team at Category 7
 - a. Brooke (Dean) Mohr
 - b. Elizabeth Graham
 - c. Suzy Hines
 - d. Sarah Nunn
 - e. Tera Palmer
 - f. Leah Polcyn
 - g. Benjamin Schlater
 - h. Lisa Schwall
 - i. Demara Smith
 - j. Cheryl Woodward
2. Teacher Based Team Leaders at Category 7 as follows:
 - a. Heath Denney
 - b. Amanda Frecker
 - c. Elizabeth Graham
 - d. Leah Polcyn
 - e. Joshua Rife
 - f. Robyn Schlater
 - g. Brooke (Dean) Mohr
 - h. Suzy Hines
 - i. Shannon Mayes
 - j. Selina Mitchell
 - k. Shari Rocchi
 - l. Trevor Shafer
 - m. Doug Cox
 - n. Amy Davis
 - o. Tera Palmer

SUPPLEMENTAL
CONTRACTS

- p. Benjamin Schlater
- q. Krystal Foster
- r. Kelly Mayes
- s. Sarah Nunn
- t. Demara Smith
- u. Genna Bodimer
- v. Mindy Foster
- w. Crystal Justice
- x. Alex Penrod
- y. Lisa Schwall
- z. Meghan Shafer
- aa. Lindsay Stephens
- bb. Olivia Woodward
- cc. Cheryl Woodward

3. Mentors at Category 9 as follows:

- 1. Lisa Schwall (triple – 3 mentees) with 7 years of experience
- 2. Meghan Shafer (double – 2 mentees) with 11 years of experience
- 3. Trevor Shafer with 10 years of experience
- 4. Aaron Walker with 9 years of experience
- 5. Marilyn Wills with 7 years of experience
- 6. Cheryl Woodward with 12 years of experience

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes;
Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes.
Motion approved.

(101-26) Motion by Mr. Alex Saunders seconded by Ms. Lynn Angell to approved Jared Denney as Teacher Based Team Leader at Category 7

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Alex Saunders, yes Ms. Lynn Angell, yes;
Ms. Meghan Denney, abstained; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes. Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
Motion approved.

(102-26) Motion by Ms. Meghan Denney seconded by Mr. Alex Saunders to approve Andrew Dittenhofer as a Volunteer Football Coach for the 2026-2027 school year

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes;
Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes.
Motion approved.

(103-26) Motion by Ms. Jennifer Easter seconded by Ms. Lynn Angell to approve:

- A. Memorandum of Understanding with Gallipolis OAPSE Local #349 for the 2026-2027 school year

SUPPLEMENTAL
CONTRACTS

VOLUNTEER

OAPSE MOU

B. Professional services agreement with Community Therapy of Southeast Ohio LLC to provide rehabilitative and therapeutic care for students beginning August 19, 2026 through June 30, 2027 C. Purchase services agreement with Hopewell Health Centers Inc. beginning August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027 D. Service agreement with Athens-Meigs ESC for Occupational Therapy beginning August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027 ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes. Motion approved.	OT/PT CONTRACT HOPEWELL OT
(104-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to approve agreement with Holzer Health System for the provision of therapy services beginning August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027 ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, abstained. Motion approved.	OT/PT POLICY
(105-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Jennifer Easter to approve: A. Policy GDR – Preschool Staff B. Early Childhood Program Parent Handbook for the 2026-2027 school year C. Green Elementary Parent Handbook for the 2026-2027 school year ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes. Motion approved.	PRESCHOOL HANDBOOK GREEN HANDBOOK
As per Resolution 4-26 E.1., “Authorize the superintendent to post positions and approve substitutes and/or supplemental contracts as needed”, the following were approved: A. Wesley Henry as Temporary Summer Help effective July 23, 2026 B. Linda Hunt as Substitute Cook effective August 14, 2026 C. Fara McCarty as Substitute Aide effective August 17, 2026 pending permit D. Noah Vanco as Substitute Teacher effective August 17, 2026	SUBSTITUTES
Ms. Lynn Angell reported Washington is offering Friday morning coffee which is operated by students.	BUILDING REPORTS
Ms. Jennifer Easter reported Rio Grande Elementary held a ribbon cutting for the new playground during Meet the Teacher. Ms. Easter complimented Principal Miranda Fortner.	
Superintendent Craig Wright gave an update on the stadium project. Brick sales will end mid-October. President Morgan Saunders commended Superintendent Wright for his efforts on the stadium project. Superintendent Wright recognized Stoney Johnson and Adam Clark for their assistance.	STADIUM

President Morgan Saunders announced the next regular meeting will be held September 16, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at Gallia Academy Middle School Library.

NEXT MEETING

(106-26) Motion by Ms. Jennifer Easter seconded by Ms. Lynn Angell at 7:12 p.m. to move into executive session for consideration of the following: the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation of an employee and/or matters required to be kept confidential by Federal law or State statute.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Ms. Lynn Angell, yes;
Ms. Meghan Denney, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
Motion approved.

Meeting reconvened at 7:38 p.m with the following present: Ms. Lynn Angell;
Ms. Meghan Denney; Ms. Jennifer Easter; Mr. Alex Saunders; Mr. Morgan Saunders;
Mr. Craig Wright, Superintendent; Ms. Bethany Lewis, Treasurer.

RECONVENE

(107-26) Motion by Ms. Lynn Angell seconded by Ms. Meghan Denney to adjourn the regular meeting

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Lynn Angell, yes; Ms. Meghan Denney, yes;
Ms. Jennifer Easter, yes; Mr. Alex Saunders, yes; Mr. Morgan Saunders, yes.
Motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

ADJOURN

The foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the Record of Proceedings from the August 19, 2026 regular meeting of the Gallipolis City School District Board of Education.



Morgan Saunders, President
Gallipolis City School District

9-16-26

Date



Bethany M. Lewis, Treasurer
Gallipolis City School District

9-16-26

Date

Records Committee met following the August 19, 2026 Board meeting.

Committee members in attendance included:

Superintendent Craig Wright

Treasurer Bethany Lewis

Board Member Alex Saunders

The Committee reviewed the current RC-2.

No changes needed.

The Committee adjourned.