

Regular Meeting

August 20, 2026

Call To Order & Roll Call	The Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, August 20, 2026, at the Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education Building. President Warner called the meeting to order. The following members responded to roll call: <table><tr><td>Mr. Warner, President</td><td>Present</td></tr><tr><td>Ms. Griffith, Vice President</td><td>Present</td></tr><tr><td>Mrs. Blankenship, Member</td><td>Present</td></tr><tr><td>Mrs. Bonnie Rusch, Member</td><td>Present</td></tr></table>	Mr. Warner, President	Present	Ms. Griffith, Vice President	Present	Mrs. Blankenship, Member	Present	Mrs. Bonnie Rusch, Member	Present
Mr. Warner, President	Present								
Ms. Griffith, Vice President	Present								
Mrs. Blankenship, Member	Present								
Mrs. Bonnie Rusch, Member	Present								
Pledge	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.								
14622-26 Approve B. Glover	Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rusch to approve Brian Glover as a new board member. Mr. Glover is replacing Mrs. Rebecca Sanderson, who resigned in July 2026. Roll call: Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Rusch, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea. President Warner declared the motion carried.								
Oath of Office	Mr. Hawk administered the oath of office to Mr. Glover prior to taking his board position during August 20, 2026 board meeting. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOGNITIONS The Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education likes to acknowledge and honor prior staff who dedicate their time and effort in working for the Lynchburg-Clay School District. For this reason, Mr. Zink was happy to introduce retired teachers Mrs. Mary Stanforth and Mrs. Alice Soale. Mr. Zink read a short biography on each one, giving a brief history of their educational career. The Board of Education thanked them for their service and honored them by presenting them with a bronze Mustang plaque. The Board of Education and administration thanked them for their time while teaching in the district and helping prepare students for their future. GREAT OAKS REPORT Mrs. Blankenship started the Great Oaks report by informing everyone that longtime Great Oaks Board Member and Hillsboro City School Board member Beverly Rhoads was in the hospital. Mrs. Rhoads is well-known in Highland County for serving as the Hillsboro City School District Treasurer for 41 years and as a board member since her retirement. Mrs. Blankenship reported that Great Oak CEO Harry Snyder, along with 12 board members, and 70 staff attended the 2026 Statewide ACTE Conference held in Columbus, Ohio. Mr. Snyder was honored with a lifetime achievement award and Welding Instructor Josh Wolf, was the CTE speaker for the ACTE Event. The Great Oaks Board approved new instructional resources and curriculum maps for 2026/2027. The board also approved to enter into an agreement with MSA Design for maintenance and consultation services on existing facilities.								
14623-26 Approve Minutes	Mrs. Rusch made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on July 9, 2026 and the special meetings on August 5 and August 13, 2026. Voice vote. All members voted yea. President Warner declared the motion carried.								

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TREASURER'S REPORT

14624-26 Financial & Investment Ms. Griffith made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to approve the financial and investment reports as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call: Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mrs. Rusch, yea; Mr. Glover, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14625-26 Approve Bills Ms. Griffith made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to approve the list of bills as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call: Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mrs. Rusch, yea; Mr. Glover, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

14626-26 Accept Donations Ms. Griffith made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to accept the donations as presented by the treasurer.

Voice vote. All members voted yea. President Warner declared the motion carried.

14627-26 Approve 4 Year Forecast Mrs. Blankenship made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rusch to approve the 4 year forecast as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call: Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mrs. Rusch, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mr. Glover, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Zink read each recommendation on the consent agenda and gave a brief explanation for each recommendation he is making. New staff recommendations were to replace former staff members that resigned their positions for the 2026/2027 school year.

Mr. Zink explained what club sports are and how they are becoming more popular in middle school. Mr. Zink stated club sports were created as an extra option for the middle school students to participate in sports and stay active. The intent is to get more students interested in playing sports in high school when they reach that age.

Mr. Zink discussed the service contract with Bachman's that was approved in the July board meeting. Bachman's came to provide maintenance on the high school and elementary chillers as approved, but Mr. Sandlin was in disagreement with some of the charges the district was billed for. Mr. Sandlin has found a new HVAC company (PCI) out of Cincinnati, Ohio that he would like to work with. Mr. Sandlin has contacted a couple other school districts in the area that have used PCI and those districts gave this company a good recommendation.

Mr. Zink added that if approved, PCI will be in the district during fair week to provide maintenance to the chillers in an attempt to keep the high school chiller operating for the next three or four years and the elementary chiller operating until a new chiller can be ordered and delivered by the spring of 2027.

Mr. Zink asked the board to approve leaves of absence (FMLA) for five staff members. These five staff members will be out during August and September 2026 for different reasons, including child birth and/or surgery.

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Consent Agenda

1. Recommendation to approve Southern Ohio ESC sub teacher list for July and August.
2. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Codi Hatten, High School Intervention Specialist, 504 Coordinator, and Sophomore Class Advisor, effective July 10, 2026.
3. Recommendation to approve Zack Burnett for School Security Officer Events for the 2026-2027 school year.
4. Recommendation to approve Dawson Osborn as the Volunteer Middle School Soccer Coach for the 2026-2027 school year.
5. Recommendation to approve Lexi Waits as the Volunteer Middle School Soccer Coach for the 2026-2027 school year.
6. Recommendation to approve service agreements for HVAC from PCI Services.
7. Recommendation to accept the resignation of High School Sub. Teacher Coordinator, Deanna Oaks-Feiss.
8. Recommendation to approve Amy Furbee for the High School Sub. Teacher Coordinator position for the 2026-2027 school year.
9. Recommendation to approve Caitlyn Collins as a Volunteer Coach for High School Girls Soccer for the 26-27 school year.
10. Recommendation to approve Janis Bennington as a Teacher Mentor to Cailee Croy.
11. Recommendation to approve Carrie Bohrer as a Teacher Mentor to Coty Barnhart.
12. Recommendation to approve Carrie Pfister as a Teacher Mentor to Linzie Sears and Tessa Bosier.
13. Recommendation to approve Kara Fawley as the Elementary School ADA Compliance/504 FBA Coordinator.
14. Recommendation to approve Heather Creech as a sub. bus driver.
15. Recommendation to approve the attached Lynchburg Town Stops for the 2026-2027 school year.
16. Recommendation to approve Edmond Brown as a sub. bus driver.
17. Recommendation to switch two days on 27-28 school calendar: August 16 is teacher workday and open houses. August 17 is the all staff inservice day.
18. Recommendation to approve Michelle Truman as the Sophomore Class Advisor for the 26-27 school year.
19. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Rick Seeling, Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective immediately.
20. Recommendation to approve an overnight golf trip on September 10-11 for tournament preparation.
21. Recommendation to approve Jason McLaughlin as a Teacher Mentor for Kayleigh Stapleton for the 26-27 school year.
22. Recommendation to approve to add Chelsey Partin to the sub worker list, pending background checks.
23. Recommendation to approve James O'Connor as the Head Varsity Volleyball Coach.
24. Recommendation to approve Kara Cluxton as the JV Volleyball Coach.
25. Recommendation to approve Missy O'Connor as the Varsity Assistant Volleyball Coach.
26. Recommendation to approve a Title IX position (\$2000).
27. Recommendation to approve Dan Croy as the Title IX Investigator.
28. Recommendation to approve Destiny Sky Reynolds as an early graduate.
29. Recommendation to approve the following leaves of absence:
 - a. Jessica Browning
 - b. Kylie Hamilton
 - c. Tim Bell
 - d. Deanna Oaks-Feiss
 - e. Sydney Mycroft

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14628-26
Consent
Agenda

Mrs. Rusch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Glover to approve the Superintendent's Consent Agenda.

Mrs. Rusch, yea; Mr. Glover, yea; Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Zink asked the Board of Education to approve placing the second (PILOT) solar payment from Hecate, now known as Desri Solar, into the district's permanent improvement fund. Mr. Zink and Mr. Hawk explained these funds will be accumulating over the next four or five years in this fund for use of construction of a new middle school and/or to replace capital assets as they start to fail with age.

Mr. Zink asked the board to remove the second item under new business, Mr. Zink had the company request a last-minute change which increased the quote on a new chiller and we now need more time to evaluate other quotes before making a recommendation.

14629-26
Approve
Solar Payment

Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rusch to approve Hecate Solar Project payment #2, to be posted to the permanent improvement fund.

Roll call: Ms. Griffith, yea; Mrs. Rusch, yea; Mr. Glover, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried.

Next
Meeting

The next meeting will be on September 24, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the Lynchburg-Clay Elementary School.

14630-26
Adjourn
Meeting

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Mr. Glover to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote. All members voted yea.

President Warner declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

President

Treasurer