

Regular Board Meeting

Board Meeting

Lincoln Administrative Center

Thursday, July 10, 2025

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Present: Mrs. Lisa Thoman-Cha, Treasurer; Mr. Robert Britton, CEO/Superintendent ; Mr. Randy Blankenship, President; Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member; Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member; Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member; Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member

1 Call to Order

Minutes:

Mr. Blankenship called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Attachments:

1.1 Roll Call

Minutes:

All Board of Education members were present.

Attachments:

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Mr. Blankenship led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attachments:

2 Approval of Board Agenda

Minutes:

Mr Britton advised that the last change to the Board Agenda was 8.2.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Ms. Jenna Bollinger

Seconded: Mrs. Morgan Jones

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Randy Blankenship, President	X		
Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member	X		

Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member	X		
Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member	X		
Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member	X		

Attachments:

3 Approval of Board Minutes

Minutes:

Result: Approved

Motioned: Ms. Jenna Bollinger

Seconded: Mrs. Morgan Jones

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Randy Blankenship, President	X		
Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member	X		
Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member	X		
Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member	X		

Attachments:

[Proposed Minutes 6.18.25 - Regular Meeting](#)

4 Recognition of Visitors and Public Participation (Agenda Items Only)

(Please speak to the Treasurer prior to the start of this meeting.)

Minutes:

There was no public participation.

Attachments:

5 Public Participation (Any Topic)

Minutes:

There was no public participation.

Attachments:

6 Treasurer's Report and Recommendations

Lisa Thoman-Cha

Minutes:

Mrs. Thoman-Cha presented a fiscal year-end report to the board.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Morgan Jones

Seconded: Ms. Jenna Bollinger

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Randy Blankenship, President	X		
Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member	X		
Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member	X		
Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member	X		

Attachments:

[July 2025 Financial Report](#)

[FY25 END OF YEAR Financial Report](#)

7 Superintendent's Report

Robert A. Britton

Minutes:

Mr. Britton presented the bullying report, noting 17 reports for the first semester. He stated it will be published on the district website.

Mr. Britton also reported that the red van may need to be replaced, and the booster club plans to sell the music truck and purchase a trailer. A special board meeting may be needed in late July to approve an intervention specialist position.

Attachments:

7.1 Energy Optimizers Lighting Project Presentation

Minutes:

Rusty Bookman and Dave Burns from Energy Optimizers presented a proposed LED lighting retrofit project for all district buildings.

Attachments:

8 Personnel - Certified Staff

Minutes:

Motion passed 8.1 - 8.5.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Ms. Jenna Bollinger

Seconded: Mrs. Morgan Jones

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Randy Blankenship, President	X		
Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member	X		
Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member	X		
Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member	X		

Attachments:

8.1 Accept the following resignation per Exhibit.

Jessica Truck, Guidance Counselor Bucyrus Middle School - Supplemental Contract: 20 Extended Days Guidance Counselor

Minutes:

Attachments:

8.2 Employ the following personnel, pending completion of all State and Board requirements, including favorable background check, and salary pending the approval of the BEA negotiated agreement, effective August 13, 2025.

Lauren Wetzel, Middle School Guidance Counselor

Minutes:

Attachments:

8.3 Approve the following new teacher contract, as stated beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, as per approved salary schedule, pending certification and completion of all State and Board requirements.

Abbie Klotz, 4th Grade Self Contained Classroom Teacher

Elizabeth Derr, 1st Grade Intervention Specialist

Minutes:

Attachments:

8.4 Approve the following Limited Supplement Contracts as stated and pending certification and completion of all State and Board requirements.

Kevin Boggs, Head Varsity Boys & Girls Track Coach
Thaddeus Hensel, Head Varsity Baseball Coach
Nancy Fischer, Teacher Leader
Kris Knodell, Head Varsity Boys Tennis Coach
Lauren Wetzel, 10 Extended Days Guidance Counselor

Minutes:

Attachments:

8.5 Approve the Substitute Teacher List from the Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center, as per Exhibit.

Approve the ongoing updated list of certificated / licensed substitutes, screened / hired through the Mid-Ohio ESC, who have named Bucyrus as the employing district, and authorize the District Treasurer to pay the substitutes on the Mid-Ohio ESC list between meetings.

Minutes:

Attachments:

[25-26 MOESC SUB List - Bucyrus JULY](#)

9 Personnel - Classified Staff

Minutes:

Motion passed 9.1 - 9.8.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Ms. Jenna Bollinger

Seconded: Mr. Chad Redmon

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Randy Blankenship, President	X		
Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member	X		
Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member	X		
Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member	X		

Attachments:

9.1 Approve the Renhill Salary Schedules for 2025-2026 as per Exhibits.

Minutes:

The board approved adding five sick days, five calamity days, and three personal days to the Renhill aide schedule.

Attachments:

[Renhill Aide Salary \(match BOSS\) 2025-2026](#)
[Health Consultant/ School Nurse Renhill Salary 2025-2026](#)

9.2 Approve changes to Renhill Contract of Services, as per Exhibit.

Minutes:

Attachments:

[RENHILL Contract of Services - July 2025](#)

9.3 Approve FMLA leave for the following.

Mike Schupp - est. July 12, 2025 - 2-3 weeks, but up to 12 weeks as needed

Minutes:

Attachments:

9.4 Approve the following new Renhill hire, as stated and pending certification and completion of all State and Board requirements.

Hailey Amert, Educational Aide at Bucyrus Elementary

Minutes:

Attachments:

9.5 Approve the following personnel, pending completion of all State and Board requirements, including a favorable background check, to be paid per approved salary schedule, effective August 13, 2025:

Veronica Griffin, Food Service Assistant at Bucyrus Elementary, 4 hours per day, 5 days a week

Minutes:

Attachments:

- 9.6 Approve the SERS retirement pick-up for Maintenance Director Brian Mitchell
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Minutes:

Attachments:

- 9.7 Approve the following Limited Supplement Contracts as stated and pending certification and completion of all State and Board requirements.
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Mike Middleton, Head Varsity Softball Coach

Minutes:

Attachments:

- 9.8 Approve the following as Classified Subs for the 2025-2026 school year as per Exhibit.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Classified Sub List](#)

10 Business

Minutes:

Item 10.5 was removed and renumbered as Item 11 in Section 11. The remaining business items (10.1–10.4 and 10.6–10.10) were approved.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Ms. Jenna Bollinger

Seconded: Mrs. Morgan Jones

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Randy Blankenship, President	X		
Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member	X		
Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member	X		
Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member	X		

Attachments:

- 10.1 Approve the Service Agreement with Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center governing Board for the 2025-2026 School Year Services as per Exhibit.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Bucyrus FY26 District Contract Estimate](#)

- 10.2 Approve the annual dues for membership to the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding as per Exhibits.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Superintendent Letter](#)
[Coalition Dues Statement](#)

- 10.3 Approve the TIES Foundational Supports Estimate for 2025-2026 Professional Development as per Exhibit.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Foundational Support Estimate - Bucyrus](#)

- 10.4 Approve the following MOU with Pioneer Career & Technology Center to deliver a Career Coach Program at Bucyrus Middle & High School as per Exhibit.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Career Coach MOU - Bucyrus](#)

- 10.5 Approve the following Human Service Affiliation Agreement with NC State College as per Exhibits.
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Minutes:

Item 10.5 was pulled and moved to Section 11 as Item 11.

Attachments:

- 10.6 Approve the following service agreement with Wood County Juvenile Detention Center, Juvenile Residential Center of Northwest Ohio Agreement as per Exhibits.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Wood County ESC Letter](#)
[Wood County ESC JRC Agreement](#)

- 10.7 Approve the Service Agreement with LearnWell for 2025-2026 Virtual Learning Services as per Exhibit.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Learnwell Service Agreement 2025-2026](#)

- 10.8 Approve the recertification of the Bucyrus City Schools Emergency Operations Plan for 2025-2026 school year.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

- 10.9 Approve the Lighting Project Agreement with Energy Optimizers, USA as per Exhibit.
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Minutes:

Attachments:

[Energy Optimizers Agreement - Bucyrus](#)

- 10.10 Accept the following donations as stated:
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Bucyrus City School District Staff Scholarship Fund \$217.40
Academic Boosters Banquet - Moose Donation \$1924.00

Minutes:

Attachments:

[Financial Detail Report - June](#)

11 Approve the following Human Service Affiliation Agreement with NC State College as per Exhibits.

Minutes:

Result: Approved

Motioned: Ms. Jenna Bollinger

Seconded: Mrs. Morgan Jones

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mr. Randy Blankenship, President			X
Mrs. Christa Graves, Board Member	X		
Mrs. Morgan Jones, Board Member	X		
Ms. Jenna Bollinger, Board Member	X		
Mr. Chad Redmon, Board Member	X		

Attachments:

12 Discussion

Minutes:

Mr. Blankenship shared that a community member approached him and also spoke with Chad about honoring "Pudge" Jerry Hargis and Coach Sturgeon, possibly by naming the football field after them or consider other recognition options. While Randy wasn't sure exactly what the request should look like, he acknowledged their lasting impact on Bucyrus football. Mr. Britton said he would discuss the idea further with high school staff.

Christa asked if the banners had been hung, and Mr. Britton said he would follow up with Matt.

The district is still awaiting a site visit from the National Guard. Communication is ongoing, and preparations are in place.

Attachments:

13 Adjourn

Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Attachments: