

The Eastern Local Board of Education met in regular session on April 30, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present:

Edmund McVey
Adam W. Bolender
Deborah L. Forsythe
Lowell S. Richey
Kristi Kress Wilhelmy

Approval of Agenda as Amended, Res. No. 37-25

Mrs. Wilhelmy moved and Mr. Richey seconded the motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

Roll Call: Mr. Bolender, yes
 Mrs. Forsythe, yes
 Mr. McVey, yes
 Mr. Richey, yes
 Mrs. Wilhelmy, yes

Minutes and Financial Reports, Res. No. 38-25

Mr. Richey moved and Mrs. Forsythe seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 19, 2025 and to approve the financial reports as presented for the month ended March 31, 2025.

Roll Call: Mrs. Wilhelmy, yes
 Mr. Bolender, yes
 Mrs. Forsythe, yes
 Mr. McVey, yes
 Mr. Richey, yes

Hearing of the public – None. Opportunity was provided for public input as required for individuals (Beth Hauke and Bobbi Knabb) retiring and seeking to be rehired to the same position.

CTC report – None

Superintendent Michael presented the Legislative Report and provided an update on the biennial state education budget.

Mrs. Pinkerton, EHS Principal, shared about the current activities at the high school.

Amended Appropriations, Res. No. 39-25

Mrs. Wilhelmy made a motion and Mr. Bolender seconded the motion to approve the following changes to appropriations.

Fund	Description	Amount
200	Student Activity (Senior Class) - Increase from Unappropriated Cash	+ 1,153.92
451	Connectivity Grant – Increase in Allocation	+ 764.56
599	Title V-B – Increase in Allocation	+ 840.13

Roll Call: Mr. Richey, yes
 Mrs. Wilhelmy, yes
 Mr. Bolender, yes
 Mrs. Forsythe, yes
 Mr. McVey, yes

Accept Donation from OASBO Foundation, Res. No. 40-25

Mrs. Forsythe made motion and Mrs. Wilhelmy seconded the motion to accept a donation from the OASBO Foundation. Mark Sanders received the 2025 OASBO Foundation School Facilities Support Staff Award. He was recognized at the OASBO Conference and the District has received a \$1,000 award to be granted to a graduating Senior commemorating the Award. The scholarship is being granted to Pryce Murphy.

Roll Call:	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes

Accept Letters of Resignation, Res. No. 41-25

Mr. Richey made a motion and Mr. Bolender seconded the motion to accept the letters of resignation from the following individuals: Katie Renchen (Intervention Specialist) effective May 9, 2025, Jestin Stevenson (EMS Teacher) effective the end of the school year and Ashley Johnson (EHS Cross Categorical Teacher) effective the end of the school year.

Roll Call:	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes

Increase Summer School Certified Pay Rate (Tabled), Res. No. 42-25

Following discussion on this agenda item Mrs. Wilhelmy made a motion and Mr. Bolender seconded the motion to table this item in order to obtain further information. This will be discussed again at the May meeting.

Roll Call:	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes

Superintendent Michael introduced Tamatha Stricklett who is a candidate for a certified contract position. He also shared slides about many activities and student successes since the last board meeting.

Approve Updated Board Policies as Presented Res. No. 43-25

Mr. Bolender made a motion and Mr. Richey seconded the motion to approve the updates to Board Policies as presented.

Roll Call:	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes

Approval to Join “Vouchers Hurt Ohio” Lawsuit/Coalition for FY26, Res. No. 44-25

Mr. Richey made a motion and Mrs. Wilhelmy seconded the motion to approve the resolution as presented to join the “Vouchers Hurt Ohio” lawsuit / coalition for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Roll Call:	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes

Approve MOU for Summer Meal Program, Res. No. 45-25

Mr. Richey made a motion and Mrs. Wilhelmy seconded the motion to approve the MOU with UMCFOOD Ministry to provide free meals for children in the Eastern LSD attendance area during the Summer months.

Roll Call:	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes

Approval of EHS Membership from Key Club to HS Beta Club, Res. No. 46-25

Mr. Bolender made a motion and Mrs. Forsythe seconded the motion to change membership from the Key Club to the HS Beta Club.

Roll Call:	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes

Candidates for Graduation, Res. No. 47-25

Mrs. Forsythe made a motion and Mr. Bolender seconded the motion to approve the list of candidates for graduation as presented.

Roll Call:	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes

Field Trip and Facility Requests, Res. No. 48-25

Mrs. Forsythe moved and Mr. Richey seconded the motion to approve the field trip and facility requests as presented.

Roll Call:	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes

Mrs. Forsythe moved and Mr. Bolender seconded the motion to go into executive session to consider employment and compensation of personnel and security arrangements.

Roll Call: All yes
Executive Session: Time 8:07 P.M.

Present:
Board Members: Mr. McVey, Mr. Bolender, Mr. Richey, Mrs. Forsythe, and Mrs. Wilhelmy
Superintendent: Mr. Michael
Treasurer: Mr. Kendall
Others: Representatives from the Ohio Safety Council

Purpose: Listed in the motion above

Resume regular session. Time 8:55 P.M.

Approval for Renewal of Certified Contracts, Res. No. 49-25
Mr. Jordan Michael, local Superintendent, recommended renewal of the following certified (teacher) contracts be granted per specifications for the 2025-2026 school year.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CONTRACT TERM</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Olivia Balon	1 Year	Per Schedule
Melissa Eldridge	1 Year	Per Schedule
Sarah Boshears	1 Year	Per Schedule
Henry Burwinkle	1 Year	Per Schedule
Alexandria Davis-Belcher	1 Year	Per Schedule
William Stratton	1 Year	Per Schedule
Heather Lane	1 Year	Per Schedule
Andrew Pinkerton	1 Year	Per Schedule
Thomas Wessner	1 Year	Per Schedule
Preston Grooms	1 Year	Per Schedule
Jennifer Mootz	1 Year	Per Schedule
Mark Pierson	1 Year	Per Schedule
Drew Copas (Full-time sub)	1 Year	Per Schedule
Megan McFaddin	2 Years	Per Schedule
Taylor West	2 Years	Per Schedule
Mckenna Schaefer	2 Years	Per Schedule
Alexa Kelch	2 Years	Per Schedule
Kaylie Broughton	3 Years	Per Schedule
Rochelle Kelch	5 Years	Per Schedule
Danielle Kirk	5 Years	Per Schedule
Kristen Schweitzer	5 Years	Per Schedule

Mr. Richey made a motion and Mr. Bolender seconded the motion to approve the contracts as recommended.

Roll Call: Mr. McVey, yes
 Mr. Richey, yes
 Mrs. Wilhelmy, yes
 Mr. Bolender, yes
 Mrs. Forsythe, yes

Approval of New Hire Certified Contracts, Res. No. 50-25

Mr. Jordan Michael, local Superintendent, recommended renewal of the following new certified (teacher) contracts be granted per specifications for the 2025-2026 school year.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CONTRACT TERM</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Marah Call	EMS	1 Year	Per Schedule
Tamatha Stricklett	EHS	1 Year	Per Schedule

Mr. Bolender made a motion and Mr. Richey seconded the motion to approve the contracts as recommended

Roll Call:	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes

Approval of Classified Contracts, Res. No. 51-25

Mr. Jordan R. Michael, local Superintendent, recommended the renewal of the following Classified personnel contracts be granted per specifications.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CONTRACT TERM</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Connie Yockey	Aide	1 Year	Per Schedule
Bonnie Jodrey	Cook	1 Year	Per Schedule
Carole Burns	Bus Driver	1 Year	Per Schedule
Alexandria Tolliver	Custodian	2 Years	Per Schedule

Mrs. Forsythe made a motion and Mrs. Wilhelmy seconded the motion to approve the contracts as recommended.

Roll Call:	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes
	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes

Administrative Contract, Res. No. 52-25

Mr. Richey moved and Mrs. Forsythe seconded the motion to approve the following administrative contract per specifications.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CONTRACT TERM</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Drew Montgomery	Principal	Three Years	Per Schedule

Roll Call:	Mrs. Wilhelmy,	yes
	Mr. Bolender,	yes
	Mrs. Forsythe,	yes
	Mr. McVey,	yes
	Mr. Richey,	yes

Extended Day Contracts for FY26, Res. No. 53-25

Mrs. Wilhelmy moved and Mrs. Forsythe seconded the motion to approve the following extended day contracts.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CONTRACT TERM</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Alana Humphrey	Guidance Counselor	20 Extended Days	Per Diem
Amanda Barrow	Guidance Secretary	10 Extended Days	Per Diem
Krista Hayslip	Agricultural Instructor	55 Extended Days	Per Diem
Tim Hoagland	Band Instructor	30 Extended Days	Per Diem
Johnna Kattine	Elementary Counselor	10 Extended Days	Per Diem

Roll Call: Mr. Richey, yes
 Mrs. Wilhelmy, yes
 Mr. Bolender, yes
 Mrs. Forsythe, yes
 Mr. McVey, yes

Approval of Supplemental Contracts and Volunteers, Res. No. 54-25

Mrs. Forsythe moved and Mr. Bolender seconded the motion to approve the following supplemental contracts and volunteers.

(2024-2025 School Year)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Jennifer Day	High School Girls Track	Per Schedule
Jennifer Buckamneer	HS Track Assistant	Volunteer
Travis Casteel	HS Track Assistant	Volunteer

(2025-2026 School Year)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Shelby Igo	High School Cheer Team	Per Schedule
Amanda Barrow	HS Cheer Team Assistant	Volunteer

Roll Call: Mr. McVey, yes
 Mr. Richey, yes
 Mrs. Wilhelmy, yes
 Mr. Bolender, yes
 Mrs. Forsythe, yes

Mr. Richey moved that the board adjourn. Mr. Bolender seconded the motion.

Roll Call: All yes

8:59 P.M. meeting adjourned.

President

Treasurer