

FRANKLIN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Franklin Local School District Board of Education

March 26, 2025

Opening Report

The Franklin Local Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at the Central Office. All members were present.

PUBLIC HEARING:

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Spotlight on Students and Staff:

Superintendent Kacey Cottrill and Board of Education members recognized and presented Certificates of Accomplishment and Philo Electric Pride Pins to the following:

Congratulations to the student athletes and coaches who received post season recognition.

Thank you to Konner Baker (4th Grade Student at DFE) for picking up trash around DFE.

Congratulations to Olivia Hilty (8th Grade Student at PJHS) for winning 1st place in the annual God, Flag and Country Speech contest at the MVESC.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

BOARD GOALS:

Clear and Concise Communication Within the Community and School.

PJHS Principal Shawn Harper and Assistant Principal Jennifer Woodard along with PJHS Teacher Kaitlin Deal and students presented on the happenings at PJHS. They presented on the PJHS VoAg program and all of the exciting projects that the program has been undertaking.

PJHS Gifted Teacher Traci Ehrick also presented on the God, Flag and Country Speech contest. PJHS Student Olivia Hilty performed her speech for the Board of Education.

Treasurer's Report

The Board reviewed the Monthly Financial Reconciliation and Investment Report, the Monthly Financial Report by Fund and the Report of Checks paid during the previous month.

The Board approved the monthly financial reports and lists of bills paid for February 2025.

The Board waived the reading and approved the minutes from the February 26, 2025 regular meeting.

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The Board approved a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

Treasurer Scott Paul discussed recent introduced legislation. He also stated that the annual audit performed by the Ohio Auditor of State has been completed for FY2024 and there were no report issues.

Superintendent's Report

RECOMMENDATIONS: Personnel Resignations:

The Board approved Kim Stackhouse's (PJHS Cook/Cashier) resignation due to retirement, effective June 1, 2025.

The Board approved April Greiner's (Preschool Intervention Specialist) resignation, due to staying at her position at Zanesville City Schools.

The Board approved Jeremy Mull's (PHS Science Teacher) resignation, effective at the end of the day on April 1, 2025.

Hires:

The Board approved the transfer of Taylor Vaughn (PJHS 6th Grade ELA Teacher) to PJHS 8th Grade Science Teacher, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Cadelyn Howard (coming back from a leave of absence) to PJHS 6th Grade ELA Teacher, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Kelsie Harrop (RES 5th Grade ELA/SS Teacher) to PJHS 6th/7th Grade ELA Teacher, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Marree Bendgen (PJHS STEM Teacher) to PHS Math Teacher, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Marissa Staker (RES Intervention Specialist) to RES 5th Grade ELA Teacher, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Jakob McElhaney (PJHS 7th/8th Grade Math Teacher) to PJHS STEM Teacher, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Eric Woodard (PJHS 6th Grade Math/Social Studies) to PJHS 7th/8th Grade Math Teacher, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Lisa Strong from Bus #5 (6.5hr/day) to Bus #15 (7.0/day), effective March 3, 2025.

The Board approved the transfer of Dakota Rush from Contracted Sub Bus Route (6.0hr/day) to Bus #5 (6.5hr/day), effective March 10, 2025.

The Board approved the transfer of Tamara Davis from (3.0hr/day) Cook/Cashier at PJHS to (7.0hr/day) Cook/Cashier at PJHS, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Heather Love from (6.5hr/day) Cook/Cashier at RES to Head Cook at RES (7.0hr/day) contingent upon completing required certifications, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

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The Board approved the transfer of Leea Finnerty from (7.0hr/day) Cook/Cashier at PHS to Head Cook at PHS (7.0hr/day) contingent upon completing required certifications, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the transfer of Genia Head from (7.0hr/day) at PHS to Head Cook at PJHS (7.0hr/day) contingent upon completing required certifications, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved Kayla Williamson as a Cook/Cashier (3.0hr/day) at PHS, effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved David Gibson for the Contracted Sub Bus Route (6.0hr/day), effective with the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board approved the following for classified sub positions, as noted, pending satisfactory completion of backgrounds and required certifications (including bus/van training and driving):

Amanda Baker Tabitha Starcher

All Positions

All Positions (except bus)
All Positions

Kathy Valentine

All Positions (except bus)

Lisa Strong (Bus Driver) All Positions

All Positions-including

Danielle Hurst

David Gibson

All Positions-including Non-Bachelor Teacher Substitute (except bus)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board approved the 2025-2026 Calendar for Little Bolts Preschool.

The Board approved the following Summer Programming for 2025:

- Camp Invention
- Virtual Classroom Summer School Program
- K-3 Summer Camps
- Be Wise

The Board approved replacing staff technology at a total project cost not to exceed \$300,000.00.

The Board approved replacing PHS student iPads and cases at a total project cost not to exceed \$235,000.00.

The Board approved a quote from ITSavvy for the purchase of wireless access points to replace all district units, contingent upon receiving E-Rate funding. The technology department will install and configure.

The Board approve a quote from ITSavvy for the purchase of network switches to replace all district units. The technology department will install and configure.

The Board approved declaring the currently used iPads at PHS, staff iPads, staff MacBook Airs, Aruba 505 and 515 wireless access points, and Aruba/HPE Network Switches outdated technology to be obsolete and/or not needed for school use and to approve the sale or disposal of the outdated technology.

The Board approved Stacy Vaughn (PHS Intervention Specialist) and Samantha Garber (PHS Intervention Specialist) to provide home instruction for two PHS students.

The Board approved the update to Policy 7.181 – Released Time for Religious Instruction.

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The Board approved Motion Electric to complete the Soccer Field Lights for \$123,670.00.

The Board approved Musick's Service Station Maintenance, Inc. to complete the removal of the underground fuel storage tank for \$50,125.30.

The Board approved Musick's Service Station Maintenance, Inc. to complete the installation of the above ground fuel storage tank for \$161,606.68.

The Board approved Garland/DBS to complete the roof repairs at RES using cooperative purchasing pricing. Base bid of \$149,010.00

The Board approved Garland/DBS to complete the roof repairs at DFE using cooperative purchasing pricing. Base bid of \$338,154.00

The Board approved Modern Glass, Paint & Tile Company to complete luxury vinyl flooring in 5 classrooms at DFE for a quote of \$24,175.00

The Board approved Phil Leak Co. for a Bus Garage lift for vans and vehicles for \$11,273.00.

SUPERINTENDENT OTHER: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board Members and Administration discussed band fees that are currently being charged to the students through the Band Boosters.

Dustan Henderson, Director of Instruction discussed scheduling and the math curriculum. In the near future, a new math curriculum will be presented to the Board for approval.

The Maintenance of Facilities Update was presented by Rob Preston, Assistant Superintendent. Mr. Preston provided information on the following:

- PJH VoAg facility security
- Spring project updates
- Soccer field update

Motion was made by Josh Baker and seconded by Jim Swingle to enter into executive session at 8:09p.m. to discuss matters concerning purchase or sale of property. Motion carried.

Meeting resumed at 8:16p.m.

The Levy Committee members gave an update on the renewal permanent improvement levy on the ballot in May.

Meeting adjourned.

OTHER:

The next monthly Board meeting will be held Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Office.