

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
OAK HILLS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
JANUARY 13, 2025 – SPRINGMYER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
6:00 P.M. (RECORDS COMMISSION MEETS PRIOR TO BOARD MEETING)
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OAK HILLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT:
All students attending the Oak Hills Local School District achieve success by graduating with individual skills for career and college readiness and global competence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BUDGET HEARING

Mr. Bain reviewed the 2026 tax budget including tax rates and property valuations.

I.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Pro-Tempore, Mischelle Philpot, at 6:00 p.m.

II.

OPENING EXERCISE

III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Oath of Office administered to Newly Elected Board Members by Treasurer – not applicable.
- Mr. West nominated Mrs. Philpot to serve as the 2025 Board President, seconded by Mr. Haffey.

AYES - Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan
NAY - None

- Mrs. Mischelle Philpot will serve as the President of the Board of Education for the 2025 calendar year.
- Mr. Haffey administered the President Oath of Office to Mrs. Philpot.
- Mrs. Philpot nominated Mrs. Ibold to serve as the 2025 Vice President, seconded by Mr. Haffey.

AYES - West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot
NAY - None

- Mrs. Lisa Ibold will serve as the Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2025 calendar year.
- Mrs. Philpot administered the Vice President Oath of Office to Mrs. Ibold.

IV.

ROLL CALL BY APPROVED ROTATION

The roll was called and the following members were present: Rich Haffey, Lisa Ibold, Sam Yorgovan, Mischelle Philpot, Bart West

Also present: Jeff Brandt, Steve Bain

V.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

VI. 1-25

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of January 13, 2025, as submitted.

AYES - Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey
NAY - None
Motion approved.

VII. 2-25

SET COMPENSATION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Philpot moved, seconded by Mrs. Ibold, to approve the Set Compensation of Board Members as submitted. Members are to be paid according to Resolutions #85-173, #87-3 and #88-3 approved November 4, 1985; January 5, 1987; January 4, 1988, and #297-01 approved December 3, 2001 respectively; which state that compensation be paid at the maximum level authorized by the Ohio Constitution and Section 3313.12 of the Ohio Revised Code. These rates shall apply to all board meetings attended by a member of the Oak Hills Board of Education.

AYES - Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold

NAY - None

Motion approved

VIII. 3-25

RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORIZING FOR ADVANCE DRAW OF TAXES

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey, to approve the Resolution for Authorization for Advance Draw of Taxes as submitted.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code allows a taxing authority to request payment from the County Auditor funds derived from taxes or other sources to the County Treasurer, which may be held on account of a local subdivision;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Oak Hills Local School District of Hamilton County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Auditor and the Treasurer of Hamilton County, Ohio, in accordance with Section 321.34, Ohio Revised Code, be requested respectively to draw and pay to the Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Oak Hills Local School District upon the written request of Steven R. Bain, Treasurer to the County Auditor, funds due in any settlement of 2025 derived from taxes or other sources payable by law to the County Treasurer, to the account of the Board of Education of the Oak Hills Local School District and lawfully applicable for the purpose of the current calendar year 2025 which are due.

SECTION 2. That the Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Oak Hills Local School District forward to the County Auditor a certified copy of this resolution.

AYES - Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan

NAY - None

Motion approved

IX. 4-25

AUTHORIZATION OF FUND SIGNATURES

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the Authorization of Fund Signatures as submitted. This is for authorization of the President or Vice President, together with the Treasurer, as signatory required for the disbursement of district funds. Payroll clearing account checks require only the signature of the Treasurer.

AYES - West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot

NAY - None

Motion approved

X. 5-25

INVESTMENT OF INTERIM FUNDS BY TREASURER

Mrs. Ibold moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey, to approve the Investment of Interim Funds by the Treasurer as submitted. The Treasurer is authorized to invest Interim Funds at the most productive interest rate whenever Interim Funds are available. Said funds to be invested only with financial institutions which have complied with collateralization requirements set forth in the Ohio Revised Code.

AYES - Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot, West

NAY - None

Motion approved

XI. 6-25

PAYMENT OF BILLS TREASURER

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the Payment of Bills by the Treasurer as submitted. The Treasurer is authorized to pay all bills within the limits of the Appropriations Resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise has been received in good condition.

AYES - Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey
NAY - None
Motion approved

XII. 7-25

ADOPTION OF BUDGET FOR FY26

Mrs. Ibold moved, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the Adoption of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 as submitted.

AYES - Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold
NAY - None
Motion approved

XIII. 8-25

OHLSD BOARD LIAISONS / REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mrs. Philpot, to approve the Oak Hills Local School District's Board Liaisons and Representatives as submitted.

AYES - Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan
NAY - None
Motion approved

XIV. 9-25

ANNUITY COMPANIES

Mrs. Ibold moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the Annuity Companies as submitted. (Those eligible for deductions by Oak Hills employees.)

403b/457b

American Fidelity Assurance Co
American Funds
Aspire Financial
AXA Equitable Life Insurance Co
Fidelity Investments
FTJ Fund Choice / Orion
GALIC / Great American
Great West Life Assurance Co.
Lincoln National Life Ins
MetLife
Midland National
National Life Group
North American Company for Life
Ohio Deferred Compensation
Invesco Oppenheimer Funds
Putnam Funds
ReliaStar Life
VOYA / OASBO

AYES - West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot
NAY - None
Motion approved

XV. 10-25

RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASING AGENT

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mrs. Yorgovan, to approve the Resolution for Appointment of Purchasing Agent as submitted.

The Superintendent is appointed as the Purchasing Agent for the school district.

WHEREAS the Superintendent is the Chief Executive Officer for the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS the acquisition of supplies, equipment and services is centralized in the Superintendent's Office and through whose office all purchasing transactions are conducted; and

WHEREAS the Superintendent is authorized to employ legal, consultant and contracted services during the year and until the organizational meeting of 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED under the provisions of ORC 3313.47 and ORC 3319.01, the Board assigns the Superintendent the responsibility for the quality and quantity of purchases; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED under the provisions of ORC 3313.47 and ORC 5705.41, the Superintendent or his/her designee is hereby designated Purchasing Agent and authorized to approve purchases within the appropriated amounts in so far as such purchases are consistent with the approved educational goals and programs of the district.

AYES - Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot, West

NAY - None

Motion approved

XVI. 11-25

LICENSURE VERIFICATION

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mrs. Philpot, to approve the employee licensure verification as a shared responsibility of the Superintendent's Office, Treasurer's Office, and Human Resources Office as submitted.

AYES - Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey

NAY - None

Motion approved

XVII. 12-25

PUBLIC RECORDS DESIGNEE

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mrs. Philpot, to approve the Treasurer as the public records designee (ORC109.43B, 149.43E, HB9) as submitted.

AYES - Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold

NAY - None

Motion approved

XVIII.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Brandt communicated the following:

- Thank you custodial staff for their efforts clearing the snow.

A. OSBA Board of Education Appreciation Month

B. Athletic Recognition

1. GMC & Div 1 Coaches of the Year

- a. Shellie Hageman - GMC Girls' Cross Country Coach of the Year
- b. Kevin Spraul - GMC & Div 1 Girls' Soccer Coach of the Year
- c. Brenna Lonneman, Div 1 Girls' Soccer Assist Coach of the Year
- d. Ally McCarthy - GMC Girls' Volleyball Coach of the Year
- e. Chase Pearson - GMC Girls' Tennis Coach of the Year

2. Teams

- . Girls' Soccer - GMC Champions, 3rd straight year

 - a. Girls' Tennis - GMC Champions
 - b. OHHS Competition Cheer - GMC Champions

3. Individuals

- . Presley Pennekamp, Girls' Soccer, GMC Div 1 Player of the Year & 1st Team

 - a. Mady Linenkugel, Girls' Soccer Div 1, 1st Team
 - b. Leni Sullivan, Girls' Soccer Div 1, 1st Team
 - c. Ayva Moore, Girls' Soccer Div 1, 1st Team
 - d. Renee Harper, Girls' Tennis, GMC Player of the Year & 1st Team
 - e. Cannon Chirumbolo McKee, Boys' Soccer Div 1 1st Team & Div 1 Boys' Soccer All-Ohio
 - f. Aleah Coster, Div 1 Girls' Cross Country State Qualifier (4th place)
 - g. Renee Harper & Brooke Lint, Div 1 Girls' Tennis Doubles State Qualifiers (top 8 finish)
 - h. Presley Pennekamp, Mady Linenkugel, Div 1 Girls' Soccer All-Ohio
 - i. Presley Pennekamp, Girls' Soccer USC All-Central Region, National Award

XIX.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Bain communicated the following:

- December financial report
- The Joint Committee on Property Tax Review and Reform
 - The Joint Committee on Property Tax Review and Reform released its final report on Thursday January 2nd after spending the past year studying Ohio's property tax system over eight hearings and receiving testimony from 60 witnesses, issuing 21 recommendations while acknowledging some proposals may contradict others.
 - The report is 835 pages long.
 - The 136th General Assembly will review the 21 recommendations which include evaluating reappraisal cycles, changing which types of levies impact the 20 mill floor, and having a means test which may provide property tax relief if citizens have tax bills that exceed a percentage of their income.
 - Oak Hills LSD local representative (Senator Bill Blessing) commented that he is supportive of reform that would hold school districts harmless, for which Oak Hills is grateful.

XX.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Principal's Report

- Mark Winters (Principal – Springmyer Elementary) reviewed the history of Springmyer Elementary and core beliefs. Teachers, Ms. Combs and Ms. Waits, illustrated how the growth model was being implemented and students were present to review their progress, improvement, and goal setting.

XXI.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) Update – The district is waiting to receive the assessment from OFCC and will report out upon receiving.

XXII.

CONSTITUENTS MAY ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA (Limit of five minutes per constituent for a total of thirty minutes)

- None

Public Participation at Board Meetings

All meetings of the board and board-appointed committees are open to the public. In order for the board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of thirty minutes (maximum of five minutes per person) of public participation may be permitted at each regular meeting. The board reserves the right to limit public comments to residents of the district and to terminate abusive language, profane or disruptive speech. Staff members or others may be invited to address the board. Each person addressing the board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted five minutes until the total of thirty minutes is used. Repetitive comments are discouraged. No person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Agendas are available to all those who attend board meetings. The first section on the agenda for public participation shall be indicated and is reserved only for comment on items listed on the meeting agenda. The second section on the agenda for public participation shall be indicated and is open for any public comment. Noted within each agenda shall be a short paragraph outlining the board's policy on public participation at board meetings.

XXIII.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

XXIV. 13-25

MINUTES

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. West, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 9, 2024, according to ORC 3313.26 and Text 6.06 as submitted.

AYES - Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan

NAY - None

Motion approved.

XXV. 14-25

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Mrs. Ibold moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the Monthly Financial Statement for December 2024 according to ORC 3313.26 and Text 6.06 as submitted.

AYES - West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXVI. 15-25

DONATIONS

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the following Donations as submitted.

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|----|---|-------------------|
| a) | From: Linda & Howard Becker | \$2,000 |
| | To: Springmyer Elementary - Caring & Sharing | 018-1820-9582-550 |
| b) | From: Kids Cops N Firefighters Inc. | \$6,000 |
| | To: OHHS Adopt-A-Highlander | 018-1820-9231-500 |
| c) | From: Kelly A. Brown (Lisa Schlomer Memorial) | \$500 |
| | To: OHHS Adopt-A-Highlander | 018-1820-9231-500 |
| d) | From: Martha Holden Jennings grant | \$2,780 |
| | To: J.F. Dulles (Sarah Singer - ukuleles) | 018-1820-9579-540 |
| e) | From: Martha Holden Jennings grant | \$2,925 |
| | To: Delhi MS (Theresa McKnight - class concert) | 300-1820-9586-530 |

AYES - Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot, West

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXVII. 16-25

APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS

Mrs. Ibold moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the following appropriation adjustments as submitted (Funds 001, 002, 003 – tax supported / all other funds non-tax supported)

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|----|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| a. | IDEA-B | \$-8,961.02 | 516-9225 |
| b. | ECSE - Early Childhood Special Ed | \$431.02 | 587-9225 |

AYES - Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXVIII. 17-25

BOARD POLICY

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mrs. Ibold, to approve the following policy revisions as submitted.

- Po8640 Transportation for Field Trips and Other District-Sponsored Trips

AYES - Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXIX. 18-25

RESOLUTION FOR FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE FOR OAK HILLS HIGH SCHOOL ACT TESTING

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the Resolution for Flexible Schedule for Oak Hills High School ACT Testing as submitted.

Testing for the Class of 2026 on February 25, 2025.

AYES - Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXX. 19-25

OAK HILLS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MAIN EVENT – MOU (ALCOHOL EXEMPTION)

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey, to approve the Oak Hills Athletic Boosters MOU as submitted.

AYES - West, Haffey, Ibold,,Yorgovan, Philpot

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXXI. 20-25

OHLSD STUDENT TRIPS

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mrs. Ibold, to approve the following Oak Hills Local School District Student Trips as submitted.

Oak Hills High School

Date: 1/16-18/25

Group: Wrestling Team

Destination: Oregon, OH

Date: 2/5-10/25

Group: Gr. 9-12 Cheer Team

Destination: Orlando, FL

National Competition

AYES - Haffey, Ibold,,Yorgovan, Philpot, West

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXXII. 21-25

RESOLUTION-2025 OAK HILLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the Resolution to Set Dates, Times and Locations for 2025 Oak Hills Board of Education Meetings as submitted.

WHEREAS the Board of Education is required to establish dates, times and locations of its regular board meetings; and

WHEREAS changes or additional meetings may be made if determined necessary, in addition to special meetings as provided for in ORC 3313.16 and governed by ORC 121.22.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that under the provisions of ORC 3313.15, the Board of Education shall hold its Regular Meetings and Development Sessions for 2025 as submitted.

Regular Meetings (6:00 p.m.)

January 13

Springmyer Elementary School

February 3

Delshire Elementary School

March 3

J.F. Dulles Elementary School

April 7

Bridgetown Middle School

May 5

Rapid Run Middle School

June 2

Oak Hills District Office

July 14

Oak Hills District Office

August 4

Oak Hills District Office

September 8

Oak Hills High School

October 6

C.O. Harrison Elementary School

November 3

Oakdale Elementary School

December 8

Springmyer Elementary School

Board Development Sessions (4:00 p.m.)

January 27

District Office

February 24

District Office

March 17

District Office

April 28

District Office

May 19

District Office

August 18

District Office

September 22

District Office

October 20

District Office

November 17

District Office

AYES - Ibold,,Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey

NAY - None

Motion approved

XXXIII. 22-25

PERSONNEL

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mrs. Ibold, to approve the following Personnel actions

(a. - n.) as submitted. Employment is conditional upon a satisfactory criminal records check as required by law. These persons are deemed employed only on a conditional basis until the satisfactory criminal records check has been performed by the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (or the Federal Bureau of Investigation in cases where the

individuals have not resided within the State of Ohio during the previous five years), and the District has received a certified copy of the satisfactory records check. For those individuals whose employment would be considered as casual, on an as-needed or volunteer basis, approval is similarly contingent upon a satisfactory criminal records check. By making this recommendation, I have confirmed with the Human Resources Department that all names listed have proper licensure (permits, etc.) to perform their duties as required by the Ohio Department of Education & the State of Ohio. By making this recommendation, I have confirmed with the Human Resources Department that all names listed have proper licensure (permits, etc.) to perform their duties as required by the Ohio Department of Education & the State of Ohio.

a. Unpaid Leave - Classified

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Amanda Hochscheid	Instructional Asst.	JFD	Child Care	01/27/25-03/07/25

b. Appointment - Certified

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Kasey Keesy	Teacher	III-0	01/06/25

c. Appointment - Classified

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Molly Phillips	Instructional Asst.	II-1	01/06/25 6.5 hrs. per day/5 days per week
Kyle Reiser	Instructional Asst.	II-5	01/06/25 3.25 hrs. per day/3 days per week
Brandon Huegel	Custodian	I-5	01/13/25 8 hrs. per day/5 days per week
Greg Abrams	Custodian	I-3	12/20/24 8 hrs. Per day/5 days per week

d. Rescind Supplemental Contract - 2024-2025 School Year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>
D'Andre Harris	High School Drill Team (Oakettes)	OHHS

e. Supplemental Contracts - 2024-2025 School Year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>
D'Andre Harris	High School Drill Team (Oakettes) (.5)	OHHS
Katie Cook	High School Drill Team (Oakettes) (.5)	OHHS

f. Event Worker - To be paid as submitted.

<u>Name</u>
Ruth Winch

g. Algebra 2 Curriculum Realignment, Assessment & Data Analysis - To be paid \$150.00 per day, up to 6 days, for work done 9/1 - 11/30/24.

<u>Name</u>
Jennifer Broxterman
Kimberly Collins
Nicole Deiser
Elizabeth Firsich
Jennifer Murphy (OHHS)
Greg Rolfes
Kyle Schnee
Holly (Wentz) Sparks
Cynthia Spires

h. Student Teacher Mentor

<u>Name</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Chris Floyd	Northern Kentucky University	\$40.00
Mary Sala	Northern Kentucky University	\$125.00
Maria Shorten	Northern Kentucky University	\$125.00

i. Substitute Food Service - To be hired on an as needed basis and paid per substitute food service hourly rate.

<u>Name</u>

Molly Fraley
Amanda Hines
Darleen Kallmeyer

j. **Substitute Bus Driver** - To be hired on an as needed basis and paid per substitute bus driver hourly rate.

Name

John Stegeman

k. **Substitute Crossing Guard** - To be hired on an as needed basis and paid per substitute crossing guard hourly rate.

Name

Bianca Page

l. **Substitute Secretary** - To be hired on an as needed basis and paid per substitute secretary hourly rate.

Name

Bianca Page

Amanda Hines

m. **Substitute Custodian** - To be hired on an as needed basis and paid per substitute custodian hourly rate.

Name

Bianca Page

Tyler Johnson

n. **Substitute Bus Aide** - To be hired on an as needed basis and paid per substitute bus aide hourly rate.

Name

John Stegeman

AYES - Yorgovan, Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold

NAY - None

Motion Approved.

XXXIV.

CONSTITUENTS MAY ADDRESS THE BOARD (Limit of five minutes per constituent for a total of thirty minutes)

- Lauren Schmidt – 6366 Rapid Run Rd., 45233 – Spanish Immersion future

XXXV.

BOARD DISCUSSION

- None

XXXVI. 23-25

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey, to move into Executive Session at

7:10 p.m. for the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employees or regulated individuals, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or regulated individuals unless such person request a public hearing.

AYES - Philpot, West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan

NAY - None

Motion Approved.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:24 p.m. and the President announced they had met for the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employees or regulated individuals, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or regulated individuals unless such person request a public hearing.

XXXVII. 24-25

ADJOURN

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. West, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

AYES - West, Haffey, Ibold, Yorgovan, Philpot

NAYS - None

Motion approved.



President

ATTEST:



Treasurer

SB/sls