

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
OAK HILLS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
FEBRUARY 2, 2026 – J.F DULLES 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.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Rich Haffey, at 6:00 p.m.

II. OPENING EXERCISE

III. ROLL CALL BY APPROVED ROTATION

The roll was called and the following members were present: Sam Yorgovan, Shane Krugler, Bart West, Rich Haffey

Absent: Lisa Ibold

Also present: Steve Bain and Dan Beckenhaupt

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

- Mr. Beckenhaupt
 - Thanks to the maintenance & custodial staff for their efforts with snow removal
 - Thanks to the Bridgetown staff, students & parents for the response to a threat
- Mr. Bain communicated that all tax forms (W2's, 1099's, etc) have been sent to recipients. Thank you to the Treasurer's Office staff for completing this by the deadline.

V. 24-26 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan, to approve the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of February 2, 2026, as submitted.

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler

NAY - None

Motion approved.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Bain communicated the financial forecast:

- Financial Forecast presented:
 1. Revenue - Impacts of Uncontrollable Variables
 2. Expenditures
 3. Fiscal Stress - Projections & Comparative Districts
 4. Permanent Improvement Fund
 5. Bond Issue – Building Our Future
 6. Transparency & Stewardship
- The district's general fund is projecting significant financial stress in the forecast driven by a multitude of factors including: changes in legislation, historical sluggish state revenue (well below inflationary increases), and increased staffing levels largely driven by federal law. The district continues to advocate with local legislators. Recent legislation will have an adverse effect on the district's financial position.

- Deficits are projected in the forecast and immediate action should be planned as communicated in previous forecasts publicly presented. Despite spending lower than all but 1 district in Hamilton County (out of 23 districts), OHLSD will need to reduce spending and/or seek additional funding likely through a levy.
- The presentation is available on the website along with over 60 actions the district has taken since 2013 (the last levy) to preserve the cash balance.
- As compared to other districts seeking a levy, OHLSD is in a worse financial position.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

-Beth Riesenberger (Principal - JF Dulles), introduced teacher Victoria Aviles-Brooks to discuss the Safety Patrol initiative at JF Dulles. Students in the safety patrol program assist other students, including special education students, with daily tasks such as getting off the bus, assisting students with their lockers, walking students to breakfast or lunch, or simply interacting with students. Five students shared their personal experiences with the safety patrol program.

**VIII. DIRECTOR REPORTS
NO REPORT.**

IX. CONSTITUENTS MAY ADDRESS THE BOARD

(Limit of five minutes per constituent for a total of thirty minutes)

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. If the board agenda allows, constituents may address the board at the end of the meeting, not to exceed ten minutes.

X. OLD BUSINESS

NO REPORT

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Treasurer's Recommendations

1. 25-26 Minutes

Mr. West moved, seconded by My Yorgovan to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 12, 2026 according to ORC 3313.26 and Text 6.06 as attached.

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler

NAY - None

Motion approved.

2. 26-26

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

Donations

- | | | |
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| a) | From: Oak Hills Presbyterian Church
To: AAH | \$1,000.00
018-1822-9231-500 |
| b) | From: Howard & Linda Becker
To: Springmyer Students | \$2,000.00
018-1822-9582-550 |

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler
NAY - None
Motion approved.

3. 27-26 Appropriation Adjustments

Mr West. moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey to approve the following appropriation adjustments as submitted. (Funds 001, 002, 003, 004 - tax supported / all other funds non-tax supported)

a) 2025 Bond Issue Building Fund \$68,500,000 Fund 004

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler
NAY - None
Motion approved.

4. 28-26 Five Year Forecast

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan to approve the five year forecast as attached.

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler
NAY - None
Motion approved.

5. 29-26 Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Original Board of Revision Complaint

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey to approve the resolutions authorizing the filing of an original board of revision complaint as attached.

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler
NAY - None
Motion approved.

6. 30-26 OHLSD Board Liaisons & Representatives

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

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler
NAY - None
Motion approved.

B. Superintendent's Recommendations

1. 31-26 OHLSD Student Trips

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. West to approve the following Oak Hills Local School District Student Trips as attached.

Oak Hills HS

Date: 4/17-18/26	Group: Varsity Softball	Destination: Northeast (Galion), OH
Date: 2/12-17/26	Group: Oakettes	Destination: Orlando, Fl
Date: 2/13-15/26	Group: OH Juniors Dance	Destination: Louisville, KY
Date: 3/27-30/26	Group: Varsity Baseball Team	Destination: Somerset, KY

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler
NAY - None
Motion approved.

2. 32-26 Architect Agreement

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. West to approve the A/E agreements with SHP as attached.

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler

NAY - None

Motion approved.

3. 33-26 Resolution for Flexible Schedule for Oak Hills High School Students

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

WHEREAS the American Institute of Research End of Course Assessment (AIR EOC) is aligned to Ohio academic standards, which were adopted by the State Board of Education in language arts (reading and writing), mathematics, science and social studies; and

WHEREAS in order for students to graduate from high school, they must meet the EOC requirements set forth by the Ohio Department of Education for their graduating class; and

WHEREAS students take the AIR EOC Test as a part of their graduation requirement; and

WHEREAS Oak Hills administration and staff are taking a proactive approach by preparing high school students for the AIR EOC tests.

THEREFORE, all students who are enrolled in a tested content for the AIR EOC Test will participate in testing during the span of April 8th, through April 29, 2026. Students who are not required to participate in the state testing will be on an abbreviated schedule during this span.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the scheduled dates for the AIR End of Course Tests for Oak Hills High School students are April 8 & 9, April 22 & 23, and April 28 & 29, 2026.

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler

NAY - None

Motion approved.

4. 34-26 Public Education Week Resolution

Mr. Krugler moved, seconded by Mr. West to approve the Public Education Week Resolution as submitted. February 23-27, 2026

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler

NAY - None

Motion approved.

5. 35-26 Personnel

Mr. Haffey moved, seconded by Mr. Yorgovan to approve the following Personnel actions (a-k) 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.

a) Unpaid Family Medical Leave - Classified

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Bobbie King	Instructional Asst.	RRMS	Medical	01/14/26-

Deanna Roberts	Instructional Asst.	COH	Medical	02/06/26 01/23/26- 02/20/26
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b) Appointment - Certified Administrative Contract - 02/01/26-07/31/27

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Laurie Banks	Director Special Programs	VIII-3-PHD

c) Appointment - Classified

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Brandon White	Instructional Asst.	II-4	01/22/26 7 hrs. per day/5 days per week
Steve Cheesebrew	Van Driver	IV-0	01/20/26 6 hrs. per day/5 days per week
Richard Harris	Van Driver	IV-1	01/20/26 6 hrs. per day/5 days per week
Charlene McAtee	Bus Aide	II-0	01/20/26 4 hrs. per day/5 days per week

d) Rescind Supplemental Contract - 2025-2026 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>
Shane Sowders	Head Middle School Girls Track Coach	RRMS

e) Supplemental Contracts - 2025-2026 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>
Parker Drake	Assistant Varsity Boys Tennis Coach	OHHS
Jared Seaman	Assistant Varsity Boys Lacrosse Coach	OHHS
Collin Duncan	Assistant Varsity Boys Lacrosse Coach (.5)	OHHS
Jacob Bush	Assistant Varsity Boys Lacrosse Coach (.5)	OHHS
Duane Wallace	Assistant Varsity Girls Softball Coach	OHHS
Kamryn McCool	Head 9th Gr. Girls Softball Coach (.5)	OHHS
Rachel Gabbard	Head 9th Gr. Girls Softball Coach (.5)	OHHS
Shay Hilsinger	Head Middle School Girls Track Coach	RRMS
Mark Fay	Assistant Varsity Girls Track Coach (.75)	OHHS
Jeanne Linenkugel	Assistant Varsity Girls Track Coach (.25)	OHHS
Kaitlyn Crean	Assistant Varsity Girls Track Coach (.5)	OHHS
Demario Pleasant	Assistant Varsity Girls Track Coach (.5)	OHHS
Katie Jacobs	Assistant Varsity Boys Track Coach	OHHS
Chloe Amlin	Assistant Varsity Boys Track Coach (.5)	OHHS
Jeanette De Witt	Assistant Varsity Boys Track Coach (.5)	OHHS

f) Online Health Facilitator Lead - To be paid \$500.00 as lead coordinator, January 22 - April 12, 2026.

<u>Name</u>
Chad Cornelius

g) Facilitator for Online Health Class - To be paid \$2000.00 each for 1 section for 2nd semester, January 22 - April 12, 2026.

<u>Name</u>

Chad Cornelius
Scott Zang
John Valerius
Ken Meibers
Ken Boatright
Fran Gilreath

- h) Special Programs Leadership Team** - To be paid \$1000.00 for work done November 1, 2025 - May 22, 2026.

Name

Deanna Wetch

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

Name

Nikolas Gemmell

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

Name

Angela Jones-Ray

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

Name

Angela Jones-Ray

AYES - Yorgovan, West, Haffey, Krugler

NAY - None

Motion approved.

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

BOARD DISCUSSION

XXI. 36-26

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey, to move into Executive Session at 6:55 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 - West, Haffey, Yorgovan, Philpot

NAY - None

Motion Approved.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:44 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.

ADJOURNED

XXIII. 37-26 ADJOURN

Mr. West moved, seconded by Mr. Haffey, to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

AYES - Haffey, Yorgovan, Krugler, West
NAYS - None

Motion approved.



President

ATTEST:



Treasurer

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