

**MINUTES**  
**OHIO COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT # 505**  
**OHIO, IL 61349**

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education Ohio High School District #505 was held on Tuesday, August 18, 2026.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

**1.1 Roll Call**

**High School Board members present:** Kaecker, Albrecht, Hacker, Deery, Campbell, Reka, Forristall  
**Administrators:** Superintendent Donnelly and Principal Wilt  
**Board Recording Secretary:** Kelly Becker  
**Other attendees:** Kristen Ryan, Tina Anderson

**1.2 Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Deery, seconded by Forristall to approve the agenda as presented.  
The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried.

**II. CONSENT ITEMS IN ENCLOSED IN PACKET**

- 2.1 Approval of Minutes from July 21, 2026 Regular Meeting.
- 2.2 Approval of Treasurer's and Activity Account Reports
- 2.3 Approval of Payment of July Bills (\$37,731.52) which were prepared 8/12/26 at 10:23 AM, additional bills (\$39,411.00) prepared on 7/23/2026 at 9:17 AM, and additional bills (\$2,096.00) prepared on 8/18/26 at 12:39 PM and Payroll (\$65,396.31).  
Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Campbell to approve the consent items.  
Roll call: Yay: Albrecht, Hacker, Deery, Campbell, Reka, Forristall, Kaecker  
Nay: none. Motion carried.

**III. PUBLIC SESSION**

Mrs. Anderson gave a brief recap of the Greece trip she and two students, one a recent graduate and the other a current student, participated in this summer. She was very impressed with the students' leadership during the trip. When the students were divided into smaller groups, one of the students naturally stepped into a leadership role and took responsibility within his group.

**IV. OLD/NEWS BUSINESS**

None

**V. PRINCIPAL REPORT**

- 5.1 Back to School Update- Back to School Night was held, August 10th from 5:00-6:00. We had a great turnout and are excited to welcome back all of our students and staff. Principal Wilt thanked Midland Bank for supplying food and drink for this event.

- 5.2 Sports Update: Football; We have Luke Forristall participating and the first game is 8/29 for varsity and 9/1 for fresh/soph; Volleyball; Quinnley Piper and Lily Sieghartner

## **VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- 6.1 Enrollment: K-8: 78 High School: 20 Total = 98 6.2 As of right now we have 5 Preschoolers enrolled.
- 6.2 Building Project Update: E & H Restoration LLC wrapped up the masonry work on the front of the building on August 10, 2026. This concludes our summer projects
- 6.3 School Maintenance Project Grant (SMPG): The SMPG is a dollar-for-dollar state matching grant program that will provide awards up to \$50,000 to grantees exclusively for the maintenance or upkeep of buildings or structures for educational purposes. The SMPG application opens on September 28, 2026 and is due January 29, 2027. Mrs. Donnelly will reach out to the Building Committee to schedule a meeting to discuss potential projects.
- 6.4 Mrs. Donnelly and Ms. Maynard have been conducting interviews. We have one candidate who has accepted our offer as a co-curricular driver, and she is willing to work towards getting her First Division Bus Driver Permit. We hope to have more candidates to bring to the board in the near future.
- 6.5 Curricular Transportation: Superintendent Donnelly discussed guidelines for high school co-curricular transportation that was in place when she became the Superintendent. The Board discussed whether to continue providing co-curricular transportation in accordance with the existing guidelines or consider making changes. The Board also discussed the transportation provided at the grade school level for practices, games, Saturday practices, and tournaments. Superintendent Donnelly will update the transportation guidelines and distribute them to athletes and parents so they are aware of the expectations and any changes.
- 6.6 FY27 Tentative Budget: Mrs. Donnelly will review the FY27 Tentative Budget.
- 6.7 Mrs. Becker handed out Board Election Timeline paperwork for Board members that are up for re-election. The Elections will be on Tuesday, April 6, 2027.

## **VII. CLOSED SESSION**

None

## **VIII. ACTION ITEMS**

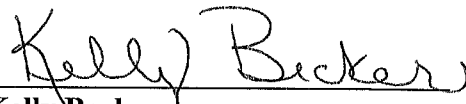
- 8.1 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Forristall to approve FY 27 Tentative Budget for display in the District Office Wednesday, August 19th 2026.  
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.2 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Campbell to approve Budget Hearing – Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 7:00 PM; immediately followed by the Hearing for the Resolution Authorizing Permanent Interfund Transfers for Debt Service and Capital Projects, and then immediately followed by the Regular Board Meeting.  
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.3 Motion by Campbell, seconded by Deery to approve Qualified Evaluators (Donnelly and Wilt).  
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- 8.4 Motion by Forristall, seconded by Hacker to approve Bus Driver Contacts with Jackie Stewart and Lori Kennedy.  
Roll call: Yay: Hacker, Deery, Campbell, Reka, Forristall, Kaecker, Albrecht  
Nay: none. Motion carried.
- 8.5 Motion by Reka, seconded by Hacker to approve the the Second and Final Policy Updates for June 2026, #122.  
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.6 Motion by Forristall, seconded by Reka to accept the resignation of Tina Anderson as (2027) Senior Class Sponsor.  
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.7 Motion by Hacker, seconded by Deery to approve the employment of Nora Ogan as the (2027) Senior Class Sponsor.  
Roll call: Yay: Deery, Campbell, Reka, Forristall, Kaecker, Hacker, Albrecht  
Nay: none. Motion carried.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

- 9.1 Motion by Deery, seconded by Forristall, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM.  
The motion was carried unanimously, and the meeting was declared adjourned.  
The Budget Hearing for FY27 will be held on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 7:00 PM, followed immediately by the Hearing for Authorizing Permanent Interfund Transfers for Debt Service and Capital Projects. The regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will immediately follow the hearings.

  
Brock Kaecker  
President

  
Kelly Becker  
Secretary