

**OHIO COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT #505**

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Ohio High School District #505 was held on Tuesday, May 19, 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: Brock Kaecker, Harold Albrecht, Cindy Hacker, Janice Campbell, Courtney Forristall

High School Board Member Not Present: Chad Deery, Reka Albrecht

Administrator Present: Superintendent Donnelly, Principal Wilt

Board Recording Secretary: Kelly Becker

Other Attendees: Megan Hellrung, Tina Anderson

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Albrecht, seconded by Hacker to approve the agenda as presented.
The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried.

II. CONSENT ITEMS IN ENCLOSED IN PACKET

2.1 Approved the minutes of the April 21, 2026 Regular meeting with correction and approved to retain the Closed Session minutes.

2.2 Approval of Treasurer's and Activity Account Reports

2.3 Approval of Payment of April Bills,(\$31,196.49) which were prepared 5/7/2026 at 9:08 PM, Additional bills (\$6,110.41) prepared 5/12/26 at 3:25 PM and Payroll (\$60,256.82).

Motion made by Hacker, seconded by Albrecht to approve consent items in packet as presented.

Roll call; Yes; Albrecht, Hacker, Campbell, Forristall, Kaecker

Nay: none. Motion Carried.

III. PUBLIC SESSION

None

IV. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

None

V. PRINCIPAL REPORT

5.1 Attendance Update: Our attendance average went up to 94.5% for April. EOY average is sitting at 94.1.

5.2 Grad walk for our seniors was on May 15th at 2:00 PM. Grade School Promotion was

May 16th at 1:00 PM and High School Graduation was May 16th at 2:00.

Congratulations to our graduates!

- 5.3 6-12 Awards/NHS Program will be held on Wednesday, May 20 at 8:15 AM and last day of school will be the 21st with an early dismissal (noon).
- 5.4 Sports wrap up; Senior Jillian Anderson qualified for state in high jump and 4x1 relay at sectionals. She will be running tomorrow. We wish her the best of Luck~~Jillian also was named the Elks Teen of Month in our region. Congratulations!!

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- 6.1 Enrollment: Pre-K thru 8: 85 HS: 18 Total: 103
- 6.2 Joint Annual Conference: Joint Annual Conference will be November 20, 21, 2026. Registration and housing will open on Monday, June 1, 2026. Registration fees are \$540.00 for the three-day event plus a \$200 housing deposit (which is not refundable). Please let Mrs. Donnelly or Mrs. Becker know if you are interested in attending.
- 6.3 Local Revenue: The 2025 tax extension reports have been received (payable in FY 2027) and the total (both HS & GS Districts) tax rate for 2024 is 5.19. This is the lowest historical rate since we started tracking in 2004. Also, it is a reduction of .10 from our previous year.
- 6.4 Summer Project Update: Summer projects are scheduled to begin June 1st We will be raising the balcony banister, fixing water damage in a couple of our classrooms, inside Electrical work, tuck pointing, painting and fixing and painting the outside stairs by the gym.
- 6.5 Amended Budget: After carefully reviewing the budget and consulting with our auditor, it was determined that a budget amendment is needed. All funds will be reviewed and updated so the amended budget will reflect the most accurate amounts based on our current information.
- 6.6 Staffing Update: After conducting interviews, Mrs. Donnelly is recommending Sandra Malahy for the bookkeeper position. Positions that still need to be filled include: K-12th Music Teacher, School Nurse/Main Office Administrative Assistant, Part-Time Spanish Teacher, and Paraprofessional/After School Coordinator.
Our School Counselor, Sierra Storm, will be in Ohio on Wednesdays and Fridays starting during the 26-27 school year. This is an increase from only Fridays. There is an action item to approve the updated Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Bureau Valley.
- 6.7 Negotiations: Negotiations with the Union are underway. The next meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2026.

VII. CLOSED SESSION

None

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- 8.1 First reading of Policy Updates March 2026 Issue #121.
No action needed until the June Board meeting.
- 8.2 Motion by Forristall, seconded by Albrecht to approve 2026/2027 Board Meetings dates and times.
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.3 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hacker to approve Tentative Amended Budget for public display.
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- 8.4 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Forristall to approve to accept the resignations of Olivia Lennon and Alex Fehlhafer as Student Council Sponsors.
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.5 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Campbell to accept the resignation of Elijah Firoini as the Sophomore Class Sponsor.
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.6 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hacker to approve Amended Tentative Budget for public display.
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.7 Motion by Forristall, seconded by Campbell to approve Bookkeeper contract with Sandra Malahy effective July 1, 2026.
Roll call; Yes; Hacker, Campbell, Forristall, Kaecker, Albrecht
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.8 Motion by Hacker, seconded by Albrecht to approve Part-time Social Science Teacher Contract with Christopher Buikema for the 2026-2027 school year.
Roll call; Yes; Campbell, Forristall, Kaecker, Albrecht, Hacker
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.9 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Campbell to approve Tina Anderson as Student Council and Junior Class sponsor for 2026-2027.
Roll call; Yes; Forristall, Kaecker, Albrecht, Hacker, Campbell
Nay: none. Motion Carrie
- 8.10 Motion by Foristall, seconded by Campbell to approve IGA with Bureau Valley School District for shared School Counselor services for the 2026-2027 school year.
Roll call; Yes; Kaecker, Albrecht, Hacker, Campbell, Forristall
Nay: none. Motion Carried.

XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

- 9.1 Motion made by Forristall, seconded by Hacker to adjourn this meeting at 7:27 PM.
The vote was unanimous, whereupon the meeting was declared adjourned. The Amended Budget Hearing will be held Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at 7:00 PM with the regularly scheduled Board Meeting immediately following in the District Office.


Brock Kaecker
President


Kelly Becker
Secretary