

BUCKEYE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 16, 2025
6:30 p.m.

“BUCKEYE – WE EDUCATE FOR SUCCESS.”

VISION STATEMENT

The Buckeye Local School District unifies individuals, communities and resources to create a **WORLD CLASS LEARNING COMMUNITY** that gives **ALL** students the opportunity to be successful in **THEIR** future.

GOALS

The Buckeye Local Board of Education has established the following goals:

1. The board of education will achieve excellence in learner-focused governance.
2. The board of education will conduct efficient and effective meetings.
3. The board of education will increase community and staff trust and satisfaction.

This meeting is a meeting of the board of education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting.

Board Policy # 0165.1, Item B

Buckeye Local Board of Education

Shannon Pike, President

Stephanie Patriarco, Vice President

Gregory Kocjancic

Chad Miller

Roman Vencill

Mr. Patrick Colucci
Superintendent

Mrs. Kassandra Brand
Treasurer

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING
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1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call of Members

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

C. Meditation

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Communications/Special Reports

1) Buckeye's November Students of the Month

Thank you to our sponsors:

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| • Ashtabula County YMCA | • Alana and Chad Miller |
| • Kids Only Learning Center | • Melaragno HVAC |
| • Applebee's (Ashtabula) | • Ringer Wholesale Imprints, Inc. |
| • CompTech PCS | • Steak 'n Shake (Ashtabula) |
| • Glotzbecker's Service Center | • The Kendall Foundation |
| • Hoffmans Pharmacy | • Thomas Fence Company |
| • Infield Chiropractic | |

Congratulations to the following students:

- Jaiven Pope, 12th grade, Edgewood High School
- Zulian Mendez Vargas, 6th grade, Braden Middle School
- Jenna Simmons, 3rd grade, Kingsville Elementary School
- Cora Rivera, 3rd grade, Ridgeview Elementary School

2) Administrative Presentation – Patricia Burnham, Transportation

F. Public Participation Relative to Agenda Items (Bylaw 0169.1) & the Following:

Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting. We welcome your comments and/or questions during this time. Statements shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Please keep comments brief and to the point. Do not reflect adversely on the political or economic view, ethnic background, character or motives of any individual.

G. Public Hearing

2026-2027 School Calendar Presentation, as presented in **Exhibit A**.

H. Correspondence

2. Treasurer's Report

Reports & Recommendations:

It is the recommendation of the Treasurer that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 2A – 2K:

A. Approve the November 19, 2025 BOE Regular meeting minutes as presented to the board on December 11, 2025.

B. Approve bills paid in November and the financial reports as presented to the board on December 11, 2025.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

C. Student Activity Appropriation Adjustments

Approve the Student Activity appropriation adjustments in the amount of \$14,051.42.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

D. EDGE Software License Renewal

Approve an agreement with EDGE Document Solutions for the renewal of the software license for Ultimate EDGE financial print software, effective January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, as presented in **Exhibit B**.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

E. Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Hearing, Organizational Meeting, and Regular Meeting Dates

o January 13, 2026

- 5:30 PM: FY27 Budget Hearing
- 6:00 PM: Organizational Meeting
- 6:30 PM: Regular Meeting

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

F. Appoint President Pro Tempore

Appoint a President Pro Tempore for the January 13, 2026 Organizational Meeting.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

G. Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. Proposal

Accept the proposal from WTI for the facade repair at Edgewood High School, as presented in **Exhibit C**.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

H. Then and Now Certificates

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer the following be approved:

WHEREAS, Section 5704.41 requires the fiscal officer of a school district to certify the amount required to make an expenditure has been lawfully appropriated and is in the school district's treasury, free from any previous encumbrances before the expenditure is made.

WHEREAS, there are exceptions to the requirement, and

WHEREAS, the exceptions are: an invoice that exceeds a purchase order by \$3,000, "then and now" certificates, and blanket certificates in the amount of \$50,000 or more;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BUCKEYE BOARD OF EDUCATION:

To approve the following Then and Now Certificates:

PO Number 260686, Vendor: Raptor Technologies LLC, Description: EmployeeSafe Suite Annual Subscription, Amount \$5,497.00.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

I. Training for Braden SRO Replacement

Authorize payment for on-site training to the replacement SRO at Braden Middle School, as presented in **Exhibit D**.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

J. BEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - High School and Middle School Concert Band

Approve the BEA MOU regarding compensation for high school concert band and middle school concert band, as presented in **Exhibit E**.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

K. BEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - Additional Extracurricular Activities

Approve the BEA MOU regarding the addition of one (1) Head Girls Flag Football Coach and one (1) Assistant Girls Flag Football Coach, as presented in **Exhibit F**.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

3. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's Reports & Recommendations

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 3A – 3D:

A. Board Policies and Guidelines - First Reading

Review the following board policies and guidelines as presented to the board on December 11, 2025:

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------|
| • po1422 | • po2431 | • po4123 | • po6152 |
| • po1422.02 (Rescind) | • po3122 | • po4362 (Rescind) | • po6830 |
| • po1623 | • po3122.02 | • po5130 | • po8300 |
| • po1662 | • po3123 | • po5136 | • po8305 |
| • po2260 | • po3130 | • po5200 | • po8400 |
| • po2260.01 | • po3362 (Rescind) | • po5223 | • po8462 |
| • po2266 | • po4122 | • po5780.01 | • po8640 |
| • po2430.02 | • po4122.02 (Rescind) | • po6109 | • po9270 |

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B. Kingsville Public Library (KPL) Trustee Appointment

To approve Renee Howell's reappointment to the KPL Board of Trustees, as presented in **Exhibit G**.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

C. Indoor Track

Approve the opportunity for high school students to participate in indoor track, effective December 8, 2025.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

D. Accept Gifts

- 1) Accept an anonymous donation of four (4) copies of the book "Bliss and Tragedy" to be distributed to each building's library, with an approximate value of \$36.00.
- 2) Accept a donation from KMB Photography, Inc. to the BLSD Athletic Department of \$317.79.
- 3) Accept a donation from Alana and Chad Miller in the amount of \$170.76 for Student of the Month.

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

4. Personnel

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following Personnel item as presented in 4A-4J (See item 4K as separate voting item):

Certified Staff:

A. Certified – Tutor

Megan Myers, Title I Tutor at Kingsville Elementary, 7.50 hours per day, \$27.06 per hour, effective January 5, 2026.

B. Certified – Resignation

Anthony Cardaman, III, Spanish Club Advisor, effective August 21, 2025.

C. Certified - Separation Agreement

Approve the separation agreement with Mr. James Sanchez as presented to the Board on December 12, 2025, with resignation for the purpose of retirement effective June 30, 2027.

D. Certified – Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

- 1) Sarah Wittreich, Guidance Counselor at Ridgeview Elementary, effective November 5, 2025, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
- 2) Sonni Summers-Dye, Teacher at Kingsville Elementary, effective January 5, 2026, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.

E. Certified – Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Chris Juncker	Asst. Boys Track	2025-26	2/23/26	7+	\$4,252.16
Beth Simpson	Asst. Girls Track	2025-26	2/23/26	7+	\$4,252.16
Ryan Neuman	Asst. 7/8 Girls Track	2025-26	2/23/26	7+	\$4,252.16

F. **SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT CERTIFIED / LICENSED NON-EMPLOYEE(S) TO SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION(S)**

WHEREAS, the Buckeye Local Board of Education strives to appoint qualified certified/licensed employees to fulfill supplemental contracts; and

WHEREAS, the board has offered the following supplemental position(s) to certified/licensed employee(s) of the district; and

WHEREAS, no such employee(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the position(s) was then advertised to certified/licensed individual(s) who are not employed by the board; and

WHEREAS, the board has deemed the following certified/licensed non-employee(s) as qualified to fill the supplemental position(s);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buckeye Local Board of Education, in compliance with O.R.C. 3313.53(D), awards the following supplemental contract(s), for the school year indicated below, to the following person(s):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Olajuwan Cooper	Flag Football	2025-26	1/01/26	7+	\$4,638.72

G. SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT NON-CERTIFIED / NON-LICENSED NON-EMPLOYEE(S) TO SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION(S)

WHEREAS, the Buckeye Local Board of Education strives to appoint qualified certified/licensed employees to fulfill supplemental contracts; and

WHEREAS, the board has offered the following supplemental position(s) to certified/licensed employee(s) of the district; and

WHEREAS, no such employee(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the position(s) was then advertised to certified/licensed individual(s) who are not employed by the board; and

WHEREAS, no such person(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the board has deemed the following non-licensed/non-certified individuals identified below as qualified to fill the supplemental position(s);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buckeye Local Board of Education, in compliance with O.R.C. 3313.53(D), awards the following supplemental contract(s), for the school year indicated below, to the following person(s):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
David Gaines	JV Asst. Boys Baseball	2025-26	2/23/26	0	\$3,479.04
Jason Aponte	JV Softball	2025-26	2/16/26	0	\$3,479.04
Gretchen Hill	7/8 Asst. Boys Track	2025-26	2/23/26	2	\$3,479.04
Chris Batanian	7/8 Asst. Boys Track	2025-26	2/23/26	3	\$3,479.04
Louis Murphy	7/8 Asst. Boys Tennis	2025-26	3/09/26	5	\$1,739.52
Tyler Welton	Asst. Flag Football	2025-26	1/01/26	7+	\$3,865.60

Classified Staff:

H. Classified – Substitute

Aidan Goodenow – Student Worker

I. Volunteer

- 1) Jake Fenton – Softball
- 2) Dustin Hamilton – Softball
- 3) Matthew Ianetta – Softball
- 4) Dave Johnson – Bowling
- 5) James Lamson – Softball
- 6) Joseph Measel – Baseball
- 7) Chad Paolillo – Softball
- 8) Christopher Sparduto - Baseball

J. One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor's Substitute Teaching License 2025-26 School Year

In accordance with the passage of Senate Bill 1 of the 134th General Assembly, the Ohio Department of Education has been granted the authority to issue a one-time, non-renewable One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor's Substitute Teaching License for the 2025-26 school year to applicants who do not hold a post-secondary degree but meet the employing school or district's educational requirements with board approval.

- 1) Olivia Fenton
- 2) Isabelle Nejbauer
- 3) Whitney Rodriguez

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following Personnel items as presented in 4K:

K. Volunteer

McKenna Vencill - Softball

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill

5. Visitor Participation Relative to New Items (non-agenda items)

Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting. Please limit your comments to three minutes or less.

6. Other Business – FYI

7. Adjournment

____Kocjancic ____Miller ____ Patriarco ____Pike ____Vencill