

Regular

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At 5:30 P.M. Deborah Shaw called the meeting to order. The meeting was held at McDowell Education Center. Answering roll call were: Mike Agosta, Nikki Jackson and Heidi White. Matt Kim was absent. Also present were: Superintendent Tim Williams, Treasurer Steve McAfee, Hannah Gooley, Macy Greene, Marcus Riddle, Marsha Waidelich, Samantha Garey, Rylie Martin, Rilee Evans, Addie Smith, Harley Zander, Joanna Strawser, Kelton Bennington, Justin Marcum, Hank Palmer, Nemiah Waugh, Peyton Richendollar, Camden Ebert, Weston Brown, Gage Auflick, Jessie Martinez, Isaac Conkel and Dawson Farris.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to adopt the agenda as presented. Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve Minutes

A motion was offered by Nikki Jackson to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held November 11, 2024 and special meeting held November 20, 2024. Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Jackson, aye; White, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

Recognition of Guests and Public Participation

Camden Ebert – student parking concerns

Resolutions of Necessity for Levy Renewals

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to approve the following Resolution of Necessity for the Renewal of an Emergency Tax Levy:

WHEREAS, the School District currently has in existence an emergency tax levy to raise \$812,000 per year for a period of five years, approved by the voters of the School District on March 17, 2020, and first placed on the tax list and duplicate in 2020 for collection in years 2021 through 2025 (the "Existing Levy"); and

WHEREAS, the revenue that will be raised by all tax levies that the School District is authorized to impose, when combined with state and federal revenues, will be insufficient to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore necessary to levy an additional tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity of levying a renewal tax outside the ten-mill limitation pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.194 through 5705.197 must be passed and certified to the County Auditor of Pickaway County, Ohio (the "County Auditor") in order to permit the Board to consider the levy of such renewal tax, and must request that the County Auditor certify to the Board the current total taxable value of the School District and the estimated annual levy, expressed in mills for each \$1 of taxable value as well as in dollars (rounded to the nearest dollar) for each \$100,000 of the "county auditor's appraised value" (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01(P)), that will be required to produce the amount of stated revenue of such renewal tax throughout the life of such levy, assuming that the amount of the tax list of the School District remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Logan Elm Local School District, Pickaway and Hocking Counties, Ohio, a majority of all of the members thereof concurring, that:

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Section 1. It is necessary to renew all of the Existing Levy, which is a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District (the "Renewal Emergency Levy"). The amount of money necessary to raise for that purpose is \$812,000 for each calendar year that the millage of the Renewal Emergency Levy is in effect. The Renewal Emergency Levy shall be in effect upon the entire territory of the School District for a period of five years and shall include a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the 2025 tax year (commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026), if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 2. As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.194 through 5705.197, the question of levying the Renewal Emergency Levy to renew the Existing Levy shall be submitted to all of the electors in the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held on May 6, 2025. All of the territory of the School District is located in Pickaway and Hocking Counties, Ohio.

Section 3. The Treasurer of the Board is directed to immediately certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor with instructions for the County Auditor to calculate and certify to the Board the current total taxable value of the School District and the annual levy, expressed in mills for each \$1 of taxable value as well as in dollars (rounded to the nearest dollar) for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, that will be required to produce the amount of the Renewal Emergency Levy set forth in this Resolution throughout the life of the Renewal Emergency Levy.

Section 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Nikki Jackson seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; Jackson, aye; White, aye; Shaw, aye.

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to approve the following Resolution Requesting Certification of Alternative Tax Rates for a Renewal Income Tax:

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5748.02 authorizes school districts to impose voter-approved income taxes upon their residents; and

WHEREAS, the School District is currently levying a 1.00% per annum, five-year year income tax approved by the voters of the School District on March 17, 2020 (the "Existing Income Tax") for the purpose of providing for the current expenses of the School District, with the last year of collection of the Existing Income Tax being in 2025; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity to raise additional School District revenue must be passed and certified to the Tax Commissioner for the State of Ohio (the "Tax Commissioner") in order to permit the Board to consider the renewal of an income tax and to preserve the right to submit the question of levying such a renewal income tax to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on May 6, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Logan Elm Local School District, Pickaway and Hocking Counties, Ohio, a majority of all of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board determines that it is necessary to renew the Existing Income Tax at the May 6, 2025 election to raise annually the additional sum of

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\$3,399,243 for the purpose of providing for the current expenses of the School District (the "Income Tax") for a period of five years.

Section 2. The income that shall be subject to the Income Tax is the taxable income of individuals as defined in Ohio Revised Code Sections 5748.01(E)(1)(b).

Section 3. The Treasurer is directed to promptly certify a copy of this Resolution to the Tax Commissioner, not later than January 24, 2025, together with a request that the Tax Commissioner determine and certify to the Board the property tax rate that would have had to be imposed by the School District in the current year to produce the amount of money set forth above and the income tax rate that would have had to have been in effect for the current year to produce the amount of money set forth above.

Section 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Financial Reports, Reconciliations and Investments

A motion was offered by Nikki Jackson to approve the financial reports, reconciliations, and investments as presented. Mike Agosta seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Jackson, aye; Agosta, aye; White, aye; Shaw, aye.

Donations

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to accept the following donations as presented:

- \$179.48 to LEave Your Legacy
- \$2,000 from Athletic Boosters to various teams (bingo)
- \$55 each from Athletic Boosters to Football and Cheerleading (rally up)
- \$200 from Pritchard Auctioneering to Girls Basketball
- \$1,000 from American Legion to Industrial Arts
- \$144 each from Hugh White Honda, Hocking Hills Wellness and Don Davis Farms to Girls Basketball

Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Superintendent's Report

- Calendar Discussion – student days 177 to 176 for the 2025-26 school year
- Substitute Teacher Discussion – Non-Bachelor – Sub License
- Strategic Planning – Core Values
- OSBA Media Award – Litter Media

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Approve Sunday Activity Resolution

A motion was offered by Heidi White to approve the following resolution to permit Sunday activities during the 2024-25 school year:

WHEREAS it may be necessary to play on Sunday to make up a tournament game; and

WHEREAS it may be necessary to practice on Sunday to prepare for a Monday tournament game; and

WHEREAS the Board will permit activities after 12:00 p.m. for the above reasons;

WHEREAS the coach must submit the request in writing to the High School Principal and Athletic Director for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Logan Elm Local Board of Education hereby approved this resolution.

Nikki Jackson seconded this motion. Upon vote call: White, aye; Jackson, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve Chamber of Commerce Membership

A motion was offered by Heidi White to renew membership with the Pickaway County Chamber of Commerce for 2025. Nikki Jackson seconded this motion. Upon vote call: White, aye; Jackson, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve Intervention Programs

A motion was offered by Nikki Jackson to approve intervention programs at Logan Elm Elementary, on an as needed basis. Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Jackson, aye; White, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve High School Testing Dates

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to approve a two-hour delay for testing at the high school on the following dates: April 15, 16, 23, 24, 30, and May 1, 2025. Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve College and Career Readiness Day

A motion was offered by Nikki Jackson to approve a college and career readiness day on February 25, 2025. Freshman and Seniors can choose to job shadow, participate in a college visit, or online career exploration. Juniors will take the ACT and sophomores will take the practice ACT. Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Jackson, aye; White, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve FCA Retreat

A motion was offered by Heidi White to approve an FCA retreat at Koinonia Farm's camp on April 12-13, 2025, at no cost to the Board. Mike Agosta seconded this motion. Upon vote call: White, aye; Agosta, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve Ohio School Board Association Membership

A motion was offered by Heidi White to renew membership with the Ohio School Board Association. Nikki Jackson seconded this motion. Upon vote call: White, aye; Jackson, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

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Approve High School Course Update

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to approve adding Communication II to the High School course handbook. Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Accept Resignations

A motion was offered by Nikki Jackson to approve the following resignations:

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| Rob Griffith | Boys Golf |
| Cindy Holzschuh | For the purpose of retirement – effective December 31, 2024 |
| Belinda Wolfe | For the purpose of retirement – effective at the conclusion of the 2024-25 school year |

Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Jackson, aye; White, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

Employ Classified Personnel

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to approve the following individual on a one (1) year classified contract for the 2024-25 school year, pending all documents qualifying her for the position:

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| Cindy Holzschuh | Accounts Payable Clerk |
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Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve Volunteer

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to approve the following individual as a volunteer for the 2024-25 school year, pending receipt of all documents qualifying her for the position:

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| Jennifer Kesner | Middle School Girls Wrestling |
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Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Employ Classified Substitute

A motion was offered by Nikki Jackson to employ the following individual as a classified substitute for the 2024-25 school year, pending all documents qualifying her for the position:

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| Brooke McConahay | Aide, daily rate \$130 upon obtaining educator's license |
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Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Jackson, aye; White, aye; Agosta, aye; Shaw, aye.

Approve Supplemental Contracts

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to approve the following individuals on supplemental contracts for the 2024-25 school year, pending all documents qualifying them for the position:

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| Josh Arledge | 7 th Grade Baseball |
| Tracy Barnes | HS Spring Faculty Manager |
| Jeffrey Postage | HS Winter Faculty Manager |
| Jason Snyder | Middle School Girls Wrestling |

Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

Next Board Meeting

A motion was offered by Mike Agosta to set January 13, 2025 @ 5:00 P.M. for the 2025 organizational meeting followed immediately by a regular meeting; Deborah Shaw to preside until a president is elected. Heidi White seconded this motion. Upon vote call: Agosta, aye; White, aye; Jackson, aye; Shaw, aye.

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Adjourn

Mike Agosta motioned to adjourn. Nikki Jackson seconded this motion.

Deborah Shaw, President

Steve McAfee, Treasurer