

**LOGAN ELM LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
DECEMBER 9, 2024
REGULAR MEETING –5:30 P.M.
MCDOWELL EDUCATION CENTER**



Debbie Shaw
Matt Kim
Michael Agosta
Nikki Jackson
Heidi White

Tim Williams, Superintendent
Steve McAfee, Treasurer

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings of the Board 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 30 minutes of public participation will be permitted at each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board will give his name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board.

Complaints against staff members must be made in executive session.

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The date of the next regular Board meeting to be determined.

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DECEMBER 9, 2024

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order - Roll Call

Michael Agosta _____
Nikki Jackson _____
Matt Kim _____
Debbie Shaw _____
Heidi White _____

2. Adoption of Agenda

M_____ S_____ V_____

3. Approval of Minutes -

Regular Meeting – November 11, 2024
Strategic Planning Meeting – November 20, 2024

M_____ S_____ V_____

4. Recognition of Guests and Public Participation

5. Treasurer's Report and Recommendations

- A. Recommend the Board 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:

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.

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- B. Recommend the Board 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 \$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.

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- C. Recommend the Board approve the financial reports, reconciliations, and investments as presented.

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- D. Recommend the Board 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

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6. ***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

7. Major Items of Business

The Superintendent makes the following recommendations to the Board of Education:

- A. Recommend the Board 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.

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- B. Recommend the Board renew its membership with Pickaway County Chamber of Commerce for 2025.

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- C. Recommend the Board approve intervention programs at Logan Elm Elementary, on an as-needed basis.

M_____ S_____ V_____

- D. Recommend the Board 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.

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- E. Recommend the Board 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.

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- F. Recommend the Board approve an FCA retreat at Koinonia Farm's camp on April 12-13, 2025, at no cost to the Board.

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G. Recommend the Board renew its membership with Ohio School Board Association.

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H. Recommend the Board approve adding Communication II to the High School course handbook.

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8. Personnel

The Superintendent makes the following recommendations to the Board of Education:

A. Recommend the Board approve the following resignations:

Rob Griffith
Cindy Holzschuh

Boys Golf
For the purpose of retirement –
effective December 31, 2024
For the purpose of retirement –
effective at the conclusion of the
2024-25 school year

Belinda Wolfe

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B. Recommend the Board 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.

Cindy Holzschuh

Accounts Payable Clerk

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C. Recommend the Board approve the following individual as a volunteer for the 2024-25 school year, pending all documents qualifying her for the position.

Jennifer Kesner

Middle School Girls Wrestling

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D. Recommend the Board approve the following individual as a classified substitute for the 2024-25 school year, pending all documents qualifying her for the position.

Brooke McConahay

Aide

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E. Recommend the Board approve the following individuals on supplemental contracts for the 2024-25 school year, pending all documents qualifying them for the position.

Josh Arledge

7th Grade Baseball

Tracy Barnes
Jeffrey Postage
Jason Snyder

HS Spring Faculty Manager
HS Winter Faculty Manager
Middle School Girls Wrestling

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9. Next Regular Meeting

Survey the Board to establish a date for the 2025 Organizational meeting and name a member to preside until a president is elected.

10. Adjourn

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