

**LOGAN ELM LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 13, 2025
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – 5:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING TO FOLLOW
MCDOWELL EDUCATION CENTER**



Debbie Shaw
Matt Kim
Mike 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.

This meeting is being recorded so that an accurate representation of the entire meeting can be kept on file.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held February 10, 2025, 5:30 p.m., at McDowell Education Center.

**LOGAN ELM LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order - Roll Call

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

2. Adoption of Agenda

M_____ S_____ V_____

3. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting – December 9, 2024
Strategic Planning – December 11, 2024

M_____ S_____ V_____

4. Recognition of Guests and Public Participation

5. Treasurer's Report and Recommendations

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

M_____ S_____ V_____

B. Recommend the Board accept the following donations as presented:

- \$5,179.48 to LLeave Your Legacy
- \$2,121 from Athletic Boosters to various teams from bingo
- \$3,200 from Athletic Boosters to various teams from Pumpkin Show
- \$900 from Athletic Boosters for Wrestling hospitality room
- \$150 from Zwicker House to Art Club
- \$500 from Healthcare Logistics to Girls Basketball
- \$50 from Colleen Rife to Girls Basketball
- \$1,829.80 from LEEF to LE Elementary (Lego Club)
- \$200 from Rotary to Choir
- \$1,200 from Thomas Lamb to OWLS club
- \$318.54 from Andrew Gobel to cover all outstanding lunch charges
- \$1,500 from Pickaway County Community Foundation to FFA
- \$3,550 from various sponsors to Wrestling

M_____ S_____ V_____

- C. Recommend the Board recognize the following organizations as booster organizations of Logan Elm Schools based upon submitted information:

3 Point Club
Athletic Boosters
Braves Bullpen Club
Diamond Club
Music Boosters
Ten Pin Club
Touchdown Club

M_____ S_____ V_____

- D. Recommend the Board approve the Alternative Tax Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2025 as presented.

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- E. Recommend the Board approve the following resolution to proceed with election on the question of the renewal of an emergency tax levy:

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2024, the Board passed a resolution (the "Resolution of Necessity") declaring the necessity, in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to renew all of existing emergency levy, which is a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation to raise the amount of \$812,000 for each year that said levy is in effect, for a period of five years, upon the entire territory of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor of Pickaway County, Ohio (the "County Auditor") has certified to the Board that, based on the School District's total taxable value of \$566,405,703, an estimated annual levy of 1.53 mills (the "Estimated Millage") for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$54 (the "Estimated Cost," 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)), will be required to produce the annual amount set forth in the Resolution of Necessity;

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 to proceed with the submission of the question of such renewal emergency tax levy (the "Emergency Levy") to all of the electors of the School District in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to raise the amount of \$812,000 for each year that said levy is in effect for a period of five years, which the County Auditor has certified at the Estimated Millage for each \$1 of taxable value and at the Estimated Cost for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value.

Section 2. As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.194 through 5705.197, the question of the Emergency 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 (the "Election Date"). All of the territory of the School District is located in Pickaway and Hocking Counties, Ohio.

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

Shall a levy renewing an existing levy be imposed by the Logan Elm Local School District, Pickaway and Hocking Counties, Ohio for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements in the sum of \$812,000, and a levy of taxes to be made outside of the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to average 1.53 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$54 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for a period of five years, commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026?

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed to promptly certify, not later than February 5, 2025 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Board of Elections of Pickaway County, Ohio (the "Board of Elections"), a copy of the Resolution of Necessity and a copy of this Resolution together with the certificate of the County Auditor certifying 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 is required to produce the annual amount of the Emergency Levy set forth in this Resolution throughout the life of the Emergency Levy.

Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall also certify to the Board of Elections that the Emergency Levy will be levied for a period of five years and will 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 6. 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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F. Recommend the Board approve the following resolution to proceed with the proposition of a renewal income tax:

WHEREAS, the Board at its meeting on December 9, 2024 determined that it is necessary to raise annually additional revenues of at least \$3,399,243 for the purpose of providing for the current expenses of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Commissioner of the State of Ohio has estimated and certified the property tax rate and the income tax rate required in order to produce such additional revenues; and

WHEREAS, the income tax rate, rounded to the nearest one-fourth of one percent as required by law, is 1.00% per annum; and

WHEREAS, such rate is not higher than the income tax approved by the voters of the School District on March 17, 2020 for five years (the "Existing Income Tax");

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 hereby determined to be necessary to proceed with the proposition of levying a renewal of the Existing Income Tax on the school district income of individuals residing in the School District. Such renewal income tax shall be at the rate of 1.00% per annum, shall be for the purpose of providing for the current expenses of the School District, shall take effect and begin to be levied on January 1, 2026, and shall be levied for five years (the "Income Tax").

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 question of levying the Income Tax shall be submitted to all of the electors of the School District at the election to be held on May 6, 2025. The entire School District is located in Pickaway and Hocking Counties, Ohio.

Section 4. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be as follows:

Shall an annual income tax of 1.00% on the earned income of individuals residing in the school district be imposed by the Logan Elm Local School District, Pickaway and Hocking Counties, Ohio to renew an income tax expiring at the end of 2025, for five years, beginning January 1, 2026, for the purpose of providing for the current expenses of the School District?

	FOR THE TAX
	AGAINST THE TAX

Section 5. The Treasurer of the School District is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections of Pickaway County, Ohio, not later than February 5, 2025.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted 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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- G. Recommend the Board approve the following resolution to sell the former Laurelville Elementary properties:

Whereas, abatement and demolition work has been completed at the former Laurelville Elementary properties and the Board wishes to sell those properties for \$1.00 as follows so they may be used for public purposes for the foreseeable future:

- Hocking County parcels 13-000491.6000 and 14-000060.6000 to the Village of Laurelville

Therefore, be it resolved the Board approves the Real Estate Purchase Contract drafted by legal counsel as presented and authorizes the Superintendent and Treasurer to present said contract to the buyer listed above for their review and approval. The Board also authorizes the Board President and Treasurer to enter into said contract and proceed with closing these transactions without further review by the Board as long as there are no material changes to the contract. Any prior actions taken that are consistent with this resolution are hereby ratified, affirmed and approved.

M_____ S_____ V_____

6. Superintendent's Report

- Communication Standards
- Communication Flowcharts
- Calamity Day Plan – Passed July 2024

7. Major Items of Business

- A. Recommend the Board increase the mileage reimbursement rate to 70 cents per mile for business miles driven. This rate is established by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and was effective January 1, 2025.

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- B. Recommend the Board direct the Treasurer to notify each administrator, whose contract expires this year, of their contract status and right to request a meeting with the Board, prior to action to renew or non-renew their contract.

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- C. Recommend the Board approve the updated Board Policy.

CCA – Organizational Chart

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8. Personnel

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

A. Recommend the Board accept the resignations of the following individuals:

Chad Kiser
Shelley Rhoads

Girls Basketball - effective December 26, 2024
effective May 30, 2025 – for the purpose of
retirement.

M_____ S_____ V_____

B. Recommend the Board approve the following individual as a classified substitute
for the 2024-25 school year, pending receipt of all qualifying documents:

Kelly Hardman Cook

M_____ S_____ V_____

9. **Next Regular Meeting** – February 10, 2025 – 5:30 p.m., at McDowell Education
Center

10. **Adjourn**

M_____ S_____ V_____