The mission of the Barberton City School District is to create a welcoming, dynamic, and challenging learning environment that empowers every student to achieve their highest potential.

BARBERTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
633 Brady Ave
Barberton OH 44203

Regular Meeting
September 23, 2026
Administration Building
633 Brady Ave.
5:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER - Mr. Thomas Harnden, President

- ❑ Roll Call
  - ❑ Pat Boyle
  - ❑ Kenneth Cheatham
  - ❑ Thomas Harnden
  - ❑ Brenda Rickenbacker
  - ❑ Cindy Sutton

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Perfect Attendance - Mr. Michael Andric, Assistant Superintendent

The following staff members had perfect attendance for the 2025-2026 school year. These employees received a certificate and a plaque and/or a 2025-2026 school year tag.

Jon Apati*
Kristi Avant
Mary Balint*
Janel Baughman
Victoria Beard
Matt Burkett
Mindy Cardinal*
Rick Cardinal
Terrance Carson
Doug Cook
Sandra DeMarino
Debra Dickerhoof
Sara Dotlich
Andrew Doyne
Anita Gilman
Melissa Gochenour
Doris Graham
Denise Jenkins
Amber Kramer
Jonathan Kuhns
William Lane
Holly McInerney
Jen Monroe*
Ruthanne Nary
Amanda O'Brien
Dan Orzech
Melissa Osborne
Diana Papp
Deborah Patonai
Sherri Petroff
Pam Rockich*
Patricia Roese
James Thomas
Tyler Thompson
Thomas Townsend
Jon Travis*
Sara Travis
Heather Weeks*

*In attendance

IV. PRESENTATION

Dr. Shelly Habegger, Curriculum Director & Annette Wesolowski, BHS Principal - District State Report Card

V. INFORMATIONAL

Dates to Remember:

Sep 24	BMS Volleyball vs Brecksville-Broadview Heights
Sep 25	BHS Football vs Copley *Homecoming Game
Sep 26	BHS Homecoming
Sep 26-27	Mum Festival
Sep 28	BHS Volleyball vs Garfield
	BIS Fall Concert @ 6:00 pm
Sep 29	BHS Volleyball vs Twinsburg
	BHS Boys Soccer vs Aurora
Sep 30	BHS Cross Country vs Chippewa
	BMS Volleyball vs Highland
Oct 1	BMS Volleyball vs North Royalton
Oct 3	BMS Volleyball vs TBA (Suburban League Tournament)
	BHS Boys Soccer vs Triway
	BHS Magical Marching Band Spectacular Show @ 7:00 pm
Oct 5	BHS Girls Soccer vs Hillsdale
Oct 7	BHS Girls Soccer vs Kenston
Oct 8	BHS Volleyball vs Kenston (Senior Night)
Oct 9	NEOEA Day - No School
	BHS Football vs Revere (Youth Night)
Oct 12	BHS Volleyball vs Northwest
	BHS Girls Soccer vs Brooklyn (Senior Night)
Oct 14	BBOE Work Session
Oct 15	BMS Fall Sports Banquet
Oct 16	BHS Football vs Aurora (Senior Night)
Oct 20	BHS Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct 22	BMS Parent/Teacher Conferences

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Comments from the Public - Public Comments: comments should be held to 3 minutes or less. This session is to give the community an opportunity to address the Board on items that are relevant and for the good of the district. The Board will not enter into debate or discussion on any matter brought forward. Instead the information will be taken into the minutes and assigned to the proper individual for follow up.

V. Comments from Board Members - Board Comments: Board comment session is to allow Board members an opportunity to publicly address the Board and community on items that are relevant and for the good of the district. The Board comment session should not be used as a platform for advancement of self or political views.

VII. AGENDA - Mr. Thomas Harnden, President

To approve the Regular Meeting agenda for September 23, 2026.

MOTION:

SECOND:

Comments or Questions:

Boyle A/N Cheatham A/N Harnden A/N Rickenbacker A/N Sutton A/N
Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Other Action _____

VIII. BOARD BUSINESS - Mr. Thomas Harnden, President

A. To approve the appointment of Jolese Rogers to fill a currently vacant term, to end June 30, 2030 to the Barberton Public Library Board of Trustees who was approved at the Barberton Public Library Special Meeting on September 15, 2026. (Board members received copies.)

B. To approve the appointment of James Phillips to fill the unexpired term which ends on June 30, 2028 to the Barberton Public Library Board of Trustees who was approved at the Barberton Public Library Special Meeting on September 15, 2026. (Board members received copies.)

MOTION:

SECOND:

Comments or Questions:

Cheatham A/N Harnden A/N Rickenbacker A/N Sutton A/N Boyle A/N
Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Other Action _____

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S BUSINESS - Mr. Jason Ondrus, Superintendent

A. To approve the submission of a grant titled, *Adaptive Mobility & Outdoor Play Equipment for Multiple Disabilities Unit* by Allyson Mast, BMS Teacher for $17,525.51to the Barberton Community Foundation. (Board members received copies.)

B. To approve the submission of a grant titled, *Positive Behavior Incentive Initiative* by Mindy Cardinal, BHS Teacher for $1,500.00 to the Barberton Community Foundation. (Board members received copies.)

MOTION:

SECOND:

Comments or Questions:

Harnden A/N Rickenbacker A/N Sutton A/N Boyle A/N Cheatham A/N
Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Other Action _____

X. PERSONNEL - Mr. Jason Ondrus

A. To approve the following resignation(s). Att. 1

B. To approve the licensed personnel listed. Att. 2

C. To approve the following Resolution.
Part I. WHEREAS the Barberton City School District Board of Education has offered the following positions:

BHS Head Baseball Coach 12 - 17%

To licensed employees and no such employee who qualified to fill the positions applied or accepted.

Part II. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the non-licensed individuals listed in Att. 3 be recognized as a volunteer and/or extended a contract for the 2026-2027 school year for the above named positions contingent upon receipt of BCI & FBI background check according to Ohio Revised Code.

D. To approve the following off staff hiring. Att. 3

E. To approve the non-certificated personnel listed. Att. 4

F. To approve the leave of absence listed. Att. 5

MOTION:

SECOND:

Comments or Questions:

Rickenbacker A/N Sutton A/N Boyle A/N Cheatham A/N Harnden A/N
Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Other Action _____

XI. FINANCIAL BUSINESS - Jennifer Sudhoff, Interim Treasurer

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting August 26, 2026 and the Special Meeting September 9, 2026. (Board members received copies.)

B. To approve the Financial Statements of August, 2026. (Board members received copies.)

C. To approve the ODEW monthly monitoring report. (Board members received copies.)

D. To approve the Contracts-POs-Then & Now for September 2026. (Board members received copies.)

E. To approve the Permanent Appropriations for FY27. (Board members received copies.)

F. To approve the .25 increase for adult meal prices for breakfast to $3.25 and for lunch to $5.25.

G. Recommend the Board approve the following donations.

- Donation of school supplies for every student at BPS and BIS from Magics Ready to Learn. Value: priceless.
- Donation of boxes of tissues from the Barberton Kiwanis to BPS. Value: priceless.
- Donation of 4 boxes and 3 bags of school supplies from Community Gospel Tabernacle to BIS.
- Donation of mini bundt cakes from Nothing Bundt Cakes to the BMS staff. Value: priceless.
- Donation of $100.00 from Barberton All Sports Boosters to the BHS Boys & Girls Soccer Goalie, Glove and Game Ball Sponsor.
- Donation of $500.00 from Fred Martin Superstore to the Barberton Sparkles Cheer team.
- Donation of $500.00 from Barberton Tree Service to the Barberton Sparkles Cheer team.
- Donation of $250.00 from Campfield-Hickman-Collier to the Barberton Sparkles Cheer team.
- Donation of $1,000.00 from Terry & Sally Avant to the Pay to Participate for the BCS Marching Band.
- Donation of $50.00 from Blake Insurance Group to the BHS Girls Soccer Goalie, Glove and Game Ball Sponsor.
- Donation of 3 pairs of camo pants valued at $66.00 from an anonymous donor to BMS.
- Donation of $10,000.00 from the VFW Post 1066 to the BHS Wrestling team.
- Donation of a POW-MIA flag valued at $64.00 from Andrea & Nate Falkenstein to Sharkey Stadium.
- Donation of Papa Roni's pizza & salad valued at $300.00 to the BMS Staff.
- Donation of $300.00 from Tim & Michelle Sovacool to the BHS Volleyball team.
- Donation of $500.00 from Sweet Henries to the BHS Volleyball team.
- Donation of pop and water from Grace Church, 629 Wesleyan Ave. to the BMS staff.
- Donation of pants and shorts from Cindy Marshall to the BPS clinic.
- Donation of a bag of coats, gloves, clothing and a box of toiletries from Main Street Barberton, % Melanie Amato to the BHS Magic Closet.
- Donation of 16 tote bags of school supplies from Frank Ave. Worship Center to BHS.
- Donation of $15,719.00 from the VFW Post 1066 to the BHS Fire Safety program.

MOTION:

SECOND:

Comments or Questions:

Boyle A/N Cheatham A/N Harnden A/N Rickenbacker A/N Sutton A/N
Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Other Action _____

F. Discussion on the Barberton Student Activities Advisor Handbook.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

SECOND:

Comments or Questions:

Harnden A/N Rickenbacker A/N Sutton A/N Boyle A/N Cheatham A/N
Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Other Action _____

Sincerely,

Jason Ondrus
Superintendent