

Barberton Board of EducationSpecial MeetingJanuary 8, 2025Administration Building

President Dave Polacek called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m.

Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Boyle, Thomas Harnden, Tina Ludwig, Dave Polacek and Cindy Sutton

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Presentation

School Board Recognition Month - Mr. Jason Ondrus, Superintendent, read the Proclamation recognizing the month of January as School Board Recognition Month. Barberton Primary School student Richard McPherson also assisted Mr. Ondrus in reading the Proclamation. The board members were presented with a gift for their service to Barberton City Schools.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our community values a quality education as a vital step along the pathway to success for our children; and

WHEREAS, Pat Boyle, Thomas Harnden, Tina Ludwig, Dave Polacek and Cindy Sutton contribute greatly to this community through their service on the Barberton City Schools' Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, these local decision-makers set the policies and procedures to govern all aspects of school district operation; and

WHEREAS, the school board keeps attention focused on progress toward the school district's goals and maintains a two-way communications loop with all segments of the community; and

WHEREAS, these school board members are serving our community with integrity, honor and a commitment to our children's futures;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jason Ondrus, Superintendent of Barberton City Schools, do hereby declare my appreciation to the members of the Barberton City Schools' Board and proclaim the month of January 2025, as

SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH. I urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the dedication and hard work of local school board members and in working with them to mold an education system that meets the needs of both today's and tomorrow's children.

Agenda- Mr. Dave Polacek, President

(014/2025) MOTION was made by Ludwig second by Sutton to approve the agenda for the Special Meeting, January 8, 2025 as presented.

Ayes 5 Boyle, Harnden, Ludwig, Polacek and Sutton
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

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(015/2025) MOTION was made by Sutton second by Harnden to approve the Resolution to Proceed on a renewal tax levy for current expenses of the Barberton Public Library.

Ayes 5 Harnden, Ludwig, Polacek, Sutton and Boyle
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

(016/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Boyle to approve the new Board Policy #2265.

Ayes 5 Ludwig, Polacek, Sutton, Boyle and Harnden
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

Personnel – Mr. Jason Ondras, Superintendent

MOTION was made by Ludwig second by Boyle to approve the following personnel items as listed.

(017/2025) To approve the following resignations.

Matt Filo /

BHS Math Teacher, Regular Program effective 3/1/2025, REASON: Personal Reasons

(018/2025) To approve the licensed personnel listed.

Grace Garra /

Athletic Game Worker, per athletic schedule, as needed, 2024-2025sy, Supplemental Program, effective 8/1/2024

Kevin Pletcher /

Athletic Game Worker, per athletic schedule, as needed, 2024-2025sy, Supplemental Program, effective 8/1/2024

John Sabol /

Athletic Game Worker, per athletic schedule, as needed, 2024-2025sy, Supplemental Program, effective 8/1/2024

(019/2025) To approve the off staff hiring listed.

Sharon Redhead /

Athletic Game Worker, per athletic schedule, as needed, 2024-2025sy, Regular Program, effective 8/1/2024

Ayes 5 Polacek, Sutton, Boyle, Harnden and Ludwig
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

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Financial – Mr. Craig McKendry

(020/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Boyle to approve the following FY 2024-2025 change fund:

Change Fund

- Carrie Bengtson - change fund for BHS concession stand - \$200.00

Ayes 5 Sutton, Boyle, Harnden, Ludwig and Polacek
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

(021/2025) MOTION was made by Boyle second by Ludwig to approve the Overtime Ratification Resolution for OAPSE wages.

Ayes 5 Boyle, Harnden, Ludwig, Polacek and Sutton
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

(022/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Boyle to approve the Resolution for the Alternative Tax Budget for FY26.

Ayes 5 Harnden, Ludwig, Polacek, Sutton and Boyle
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

(023/2025) MOTION was made by Ludwig second by Harnden to approve a resolution authorizing the advance of local taxes by the county Fiscal officer for the tax year 2024 and payable in 2025, pursuant to Section 321.34 of the Ohio Revised Code.

WHEREAS, Section 321.34 of the Ohio Revised Code states in part; When the local authorities by resolution so request, the county auditor or fiscal officer shall pay the treasurer of any board of education any money that may be in the county treasury to the accounts of the local authorities, respectively, and lawfully applicable to the purpose of the current fiscal year in which the request is made.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Barberton City School District, Summit County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. **Board Declarations.** That the Board declares the necessity of receiving advances of local taxes for the prompt and efficient operation of the school district and directs the County Fiscal Office to make such tax advances for tax year 2024, and payable in 2025, per Section 321.34 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 2. **Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements.** This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

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Section 3. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Ayes 5 Ludwig, Polacek, Sutton, Boyle and Harnden
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

Executive Session - O.R.C. §121.22

(024/2024) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Sutton to enter into Executive Session to discuss employment.

Ayes 5 Polacek, Sutton, Boyle, Harnden and Ludwig
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

Madams Ludwig and Sutton, Messrs. Boyle, Harnden, Polacek, Andric, McKendry and Ondrus entered into Executive Session at 5:54.

(025/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Ludwig to re-enter into the Special Meeting.

President Polacek reconvened the Special Meeting at 6:18 pm.

Ayes 5 Sutton, Boyle, Harnden, Ludwig and Polacek
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

Adjournment

(026/2025) MOTION was made by Ludwig second by Sutton to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 pm.

Ayes 5 Boyle, Harnden, Ludwig, Polacek and Sutton
MOTION CARRIED. 5-0



Dave Polacek, President

Craig McKendry, Treasurer