

Barberton Board of EducationSpecial MeetingApril 9, 2025Administration Building

President Dave Polacek called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Presentation

Brenda Sincel, Barberton Preschool Director, gave an update on the Preschool building and all of the amazing things happening at the building.

Barberton Preschool teacher Sheila Velo and her students, Della Crosier, Kolton Kujawa, Ezra Owen and Oliver Sieker gave an early literacy lesson. Heather Sharp, Preschool teacher and her students, Arrow Johnson, Grayson Laney, Luna McClane, Kaiden Myers, Eilah Nachampasak, Oliver Reed, Aria Sharp, and Adelaide Smith did a Three Little Pigs presentation.

Erin Stecich and Julie Wible from Success For All, gave a presentation on the success of their program.

The Board loved the presentations and thanked everyone for coming.

Agenda- Mr. Dave Polacek, President

(127/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Ludwig to approve the agenda for the Special Meeting, April 9, 2025 as presented.

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

Board Business - Mr. Dave Polacek

(128/2025) MOTION was made by Boyle second by Harnden to approve the following Proclamation acknowledging April 2025 as School Library Month.

WHEREAS, the school library/media center is to ensure that students and staff are effective users of ideas and information; and

WHEREAS, the school library media specialist and library tutor's role is to provide the leadership and expertise necessary to ensure that the school library/media center is an integral part of the instructional program of the school; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has entrusted the school library media specialist and library tutor to teach the skills of locating and using information through traditional resources and new technologies, to provide literature appreciation activities, and to guide and encourage content and recreational reading to every student; and

WHEREAS, lifelong learning begins and is systematically developed through the school library/media center curriculum of the Barberton City Schools; and

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WHEREAS, the school library/media center contributes to the individual growth and development of all students, while fostering both excellence and equity in education; and

WHEREAS, the school library media specialist and library tutor of the Barberton City School District have dedicated themselves to work for quality school libraries/media centers for all students in the Barberton City Schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Barberton City Schools does hereby proclaim April 2025 as School Library Month and calls upon school administrators, teachers, and students to recognize and support this action and to participate throughout the month of April in the celebration of School Library Month.

Ayes 5 Harnden, Ludwig, Polacek, Sutton and Boyle

MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

Superintendent's Business - Mr. Jason Ondrus

MOTION was made by Ludwig second by Sutton to approve the Superintendent's Business listed.

(129/2025) To approve the agreement between LLA Therapy, 150 N. Miller Rd, #150A, Akron 44333 and Barberton City Schools for Therapy services to students for the 2025-2026 school year.

(130/2025) To approve the agreement between Wings of Change Therapy, 1909 3rd Street, Cuyahoga Falls 44221 and Barberton City School District for the 2025-2026 school year.

(131/2025) To approve the submission of a grant by Shelly Habegger titled "*Comprehensive Literacy State Development*" for \$2,918,923.97 to the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce.

(132/2025) To approve the submission of a grant by Brittany Fox titled "*Kindergarten T-shirt Project*" for \$2,000.00 to the Barberton Community Foundation.

Ludwig, Polacek, Sutton, Boyle and Harnden

MOTION CARRIED. 5-0

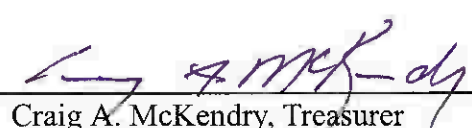
Adjournment

(133/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Sutton to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 pm.

Ayes 5 Polacek, Sutton, Boyle, Harnden and Ludwig

MOTION CARRIED. 5-0


Dave Polacek, President


Craig A. McKendry, Treasurer