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Barberton Board of Education

Special Meeting August 13, 2025 Administration Building

President Dave Polacek called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m

Roll Call

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda– Mr. Dave Polacek, President

(360/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Ludwig to approve the agenda for the Special Meeting, August 13, 2025 as presented.

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

Superintendent's Business – Mr. Jason Ondrus

(361/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Boyle to approve the bus routes for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

(362/2025) MOTION was made by Ludwig second by Sutton to approve the Partner & Use of Space Agreement with Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority, 100 W. Cedar St., Akron 44307 and Barberton City Schools effective as of August 1, 2024-July 31, 2025.

Ayes 4 Harnden, Polacek, Sutton and Boyle Abstain 1 Ludwig
MOTION CARRIED. 4-0

(363/2025) MOTION was made by Ludwig second by Sutton to approve the Member & Guest Code of Conduct with the Akron Area YMCA and Barberton City Schools for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

Personnel – Mr. Jason Ondrus

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

(364/2025) To approve the resignation(s) listed.

Jamie Luevano /
PRE Teacher Aide, Float, full time, effective 8/7/2025, REASON: Personal Reasons

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(365/2025) To approve the licensed personnel listed.

Olivia Sweigart /
BHS Literary Lab Teacher, Bachelor The University of Akron, Exp 0, $44,837.00/yr, 185 day calendar, full time, Regular Program, effective 8/14/2025
New Teacher Orientation, $30.41/hr, as needed, Summer 2025, Supplemental Program, effective 8/11/2025

Jan Kellar /
BPS First Grade Teacher, Bachelor The University of Akron, Exp 10, $66,601.00/yr, 185 day calendar, full time, Regular Program, effective 8/14/2025

Savannah Remenaric /
BPS Title I Tutor, Bachelor Grove City College, Exp 0, $31.33/hr 6.5 hrs/day, 182 day calendar, full time, Regular Program, effective 8/14/2025
New Teacher Orientation, $30.41/hr, as needed, Summer 2025, Supplemental Program, effective 8/11/2025

(366/2025) To approve the non certificated personnel listed.

Amy Lorentz /
BIS Cafeteria Manager, 8 hrs/day per school calendar, $21.03/hr + longevity, Regular Program, full time, effective 9/4/2025, From: L. Nickol

Haley McConnell /
BMS Cook VI, 3 hrs/day per school calendar, $17.30/hr + longevity, Regular Program, full time, effective 8/11/2025

Vickie Memmer /
BIS Teacher Aide, Float, 6.25 hrs/day per school calendar, $19.29/hr + longevity, Regular Program, full time, effective 8/11/2025

Ethan Arnold /
Substitute Cafeteria, where needed, as needed, $12.00/hr, Regular Program, 2025-2026, effective 8/18/2025
Substitute Custodian, where needed, as needed, $15.00/hr, Regular Program, 2025-2026, effective 8/18/2025

Michele Ciocca /
Substitute Secretary, Substitute Teacher Aide, where needed, as needed, $12.00/hr, Regular Program, 2025-2026, effective 8/18/2025

Patricia Groom /
Substitute Cafeteria, where needed, as needed, $12.00/hr, Regular Program, 2025-2026, effective 8/18/2025

Robin Harris /
Substitute Cafeteria, where needed, as needed, $12.00/hr, Regular Program, 2025-2026, effective 8/18/2025

Ashley Lillie /
Substitute Teacher Aide, where needed, as needed, $12.00/hr, Regular Program, 2025-2026, effective 8/18/2025

Kameron Wassam /
Substitute Teacher Aide, where needed, as needed, $12.00/hr, Regular Program, 2025-2026, effective 8/18/2025

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

Financial Business – Mr. Craig McKendry

(367/2025) MOTION was made by Sutton second by Harnden to approve the Resolution to declare student transportation impractical for the 2025-2026 school year.

BARBERTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION DECLARING TRANSPORTATION IMPRACTICAL

WHEREAS, **the Superintendent for the Barberton City School District has received a request for transportation for students enrolled in a nonpublic or community school, and**

WHEREAS, **the Superintendent has determined the listed students eligible but impractical to transport by public conveyance; and**

WHEREAS, **the Barberton City Board of Education (hereafter the "Board") has carefully considered transportation options for the eligible students listed in items A & B, under Ohio Revised Code Section 3327.01; and**

WHEREAS, **for each of the students listed, the Board has considered the following factors as enumerated in R.C. §3327.02:**

1) **The time and distance required to provide the transportation;**
2) **The number of pupils to be transported;**
3) **The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel and administration;**
4) **Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation;**
5) **Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules; and**
6) **Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available.**

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WHEREAS, **the option of offering payment in lieu of transportation is provided by the Ohio Revised Code.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED **by the Barberton City Board of Education as follows:**

Section 1

After fully and carefully considering each of the factors listed above, the Board hereby affirms the determination that it is impractical to transport the students listed in *items A & B* for the 2025-26 school year, and further hereby offers the parent(s)/guardian(s) payment in lieu of transportation. This decision was reached after considering the factors enumerated in R.C. §3327.02. Required reports will be made as directed by the Ohio Department of Education.

Section 2

The Board of Education finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board of Education, and that all deliberations of this Board of Education and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Section 3

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its adoption and shall supersede any prior resolution or act of this Board of Education that may be inconsistent or duplicative with the provisions of this resolution.

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

Mr. Mckendry, Treasurer, had a discussion on a potential CRA for a local business.

Adjournment

(368/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Ludwig to adjourn the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

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

David Polacek, President

Craig A. McKendry, Treasurer