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Barberton Board of Education

Special Meeting September 10, 2025 Barberton Intermediate School

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

Roll Call

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tina Ludwig

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Presentation

Mrs. Brittany Kefalos, Barberton Intermediate School Principal, welcomed everyone to the meeting and said it has been a great start to this school year. She spoke about some of the new programs and clubs that they have. She said her staff has been outstanding and working hard to get their new SFA program going.

Ms. Krista McCoy, Intermediate School teacher, gave an update on the launching of Success For All and the Getting Along Together lessons. She spoke about all of the work that everyone has put into the Success For All program and she said they have such an amazing staff.

Mrs. MaryElizabeth Norman, Barberton Intermediate Art Teacher, gave an update on the art grant for this year and the mural project from last year with help from Dara Harper. Tallece Parks and Morgan Allen, students from BIS, also helped give an update on the mural project that they did last school year.

Communications

The floor was opened for comments from the public.
Mr. Ricky Evans, Ms. Barb Karadin, Mr. William Graham and Mr. Jon Winkler spoke on transportation.

Agenda- Mr. Dave Polacek

(369/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Sutton to approve the agenda for the Special Meeting, September 11, 2024 as presented.

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

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Board Business- Mr. Dave Polacek

(370/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Boyle 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 & C 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.**

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, & C* 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 4 Harnden, Polacek, Sutton and Boyle
MOTION CARRIED. 4-0

Discussion on the recommendation for approval of the following new Board policy #5780.01.

Superintendent's Business – Mr. Jason Ondrus

(371/2025) MOTION was made by Harnden second by Boyle to approve the agreement between Templeton Transportation, LLC and the Barberton City School District for transportation services effective September 10, 2025 - June 20th, 2026.

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

Financial Business– Mr. Craig McKendry

(372/2025) MOTION was made by Boyle second by Sutton to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting August 13, 2025 and Regular Meeting August 27, 2025.

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

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Adjournment

(373/2025) MOTION was made by Polacek second by Boyle to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 pm.

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

Dave Polacek, President

Craig A. McKendry, Treasurer