
EAST KNOX BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Thursday, April 10, 2025, 6:00 PM - Elementary Cafeteria

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

This is a public meeting of the East Knox Board of Education for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

Board Members: Lindsay Bush - President, Randy Reese – Vice President,
Larry Campbell, Alan Huffman, Kathy Tate

A. Call to Order

The President calls the meeting to order.

B. Roll Call

The President calls the roll.

L. Bush
L. Campbell
A. Huffman
R. Reese
K. Tate

C. Approval of the Agenda

Recommendation to approve the agenda as presented.

L. Bush
L. Campbell
A. Huffman
R. Reese
K. Tate

D. Public Participation

- Please see Board Policy #0169.1

E. Treasurer Report

- Review of Student Success and Wellness Budget FY26, 27

F. Treasurer Recommendations

Recommendation to approve the minutes from the March 13, 2025 board meeting.

Recommendation to approve the March 2025 Financial Report as presented.

Recommendation to join membership with Sheakley in the BWC group retrospective rating program for the 2026 rate year at a cost of \$425.

Recommendation to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$10,000 from the general fund to the East Knox Athletic Fund to cover the cash shortage for the Spring 2025 athletic season.

Recommendation to approve the following budgetary amendment(s):

572	Title I	\$4,463.41
590	Title IIA	\$1,183.28
584	Title IVA	\$711.64

L. Bush
L. Campbell
A. Huffman
R. Reese
K. Tate

G. Building Reports

- Elementary

- Jr./Sr. High School

- Athletics

H. Superintendent Report and Board Discussion

- Updates/Discussion Items
 - Strategic Plan Update
 - Staffing for 2025-2026
- Ariel Atkinson – Student Board Representative

I. Superintendent Recommendations

Recommendation to approve the Program of Studies for JR/SR High for 2025/2026 school year as presented.

Recommendation to approve the purchase of one 61 passenger handicap accessible bus from Hill International Trucks for \$133,266. Total cost will be paid from Permanent Improvement Funds.

Recommendation to approve the Master Service Agreement with META for July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 for Core Services listed in Schedule I at an annual cost of \$19,713.50 and Schedule II at an annual cost of \$1,842.88.

~~Recommendation to approve the FFA overnight trip to Columbus for the State FFA Convention on May 1, 2025-May 2, 2025.~~

Recommendation to approve the FCCLA overnight trip to Columbus for the State FCCLA competition on April 24-25, 2025.

Recommendation to authorize the purchase of a 2025, 10-passenger van from Mathews Ford Marion for \$54,652 after trade in of 2016 Ford F-250 pickup truck.

Recommendation to approve an agreement with the Knox ESC for home instruction services for a student for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.

Recommendation to approve the quote from The Ohio Floor Company for re-finishing of the elementary gym floor for \$27,350. Cost to be paid from the permanent improvement fund.

Recommendation to approve a service contract with Elite Transportation Group to transport a student to the Knox Learning Center from home and back for the remainder of the for \$68.59 per day.

Recommendation to approve the quote from Dyslexia on Demand for student therapy services from April 2025 through September 2025, not to exceed \$6,000.

Recommendation to approve the 2026-2027 School Year Calendar as presented.

Recommendation to approve *Alexander Mathew Marshall* as a graduate, May 18, 2025.

Recommendation to issue a 2023 diploma to *Hunter Smiley*.

Recommendation to approve the following students as participants in the College Credit Plus program for the 2025-2026 school year. All students below have met the counseling requirements, attended the CCP meeting and returned the paperwork:

Adams, Daniel
Atkinson, Ariel
Baxter, Anthony John
Beltz, Collin
Bennett, Spencer James
Blackshear, Kayden
Bostie, Isabelle
Cline, Anna
Colopy, Miles
Cotsamire, Macy Kate Ann
Crawford, Jaxon Coy
Crawford, Savannah
Divan, Curtis
Fawcett, Logan Lance
Fawcett, Macie Lynn
Ferenbaugh, Reese
Gardner, Nathan
Holmes, Raja
Houston, William
Huffman, Madison
Huffman, Olivia
Kahoe, Brooklyn
Kapper, Ethan
Kelley, Isabella
Kidwell, Colton
Kidwell, Gavin Hunter
Kieber, Caylynn
Kirk, Jayden
Lashley, Shagmus

*Laymon, Autumn Pearl
Lester, Jaxon Dean
Mann, Charlotte
McDowell, Wyatt
McKean, Maddison
McNeely, Julia
Metcalf, Emma Marie
Mezic, Madelyn
Miller, Ryson Bernell
Moore, Kenlie
Norris, Emily
Opheim, Evelyn
Opheim, Gwenth
Page, Ava
Parker, Zoey Lynn
Pcek, Ryan Michael
Potter, Allivia
Priest, Hayden
Proudfoot, Ezekiel Jonathan
Ridenour, Caden
Riggie, Aidan
Rose, Quentin
Savage, Mason
Shank, Grace
Smith, Angel
Smith, Jasmine Marie
Stephens, Carver Brandon
Strzby, Malena
Tucker, Cloe
Tucker, John
Winkler, Imogen Nicole
Winkler, Rylan
Woods, Alton
Wright, Hayden*

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J. Executive Session

Recommendation to enter into executive session, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (1), for the sole purpose of:

- To consider the employment and or compensation of a public employee or official.

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K. Personnel—(Subject to proper placement on the salary scale, contingent upon favorable report from the BCII/FBI, and receipt of proper certification.)

Recommendation to employ Shannon Sprang as the Jr./Sr. High School Principal on a three-year contract effective August 1, 2025, Step 13.

Recommendation to accept the resignation of Abbey Jones, long-term substitute teacher, effective May 23, 2025.

Recommendation to accept the resignation of Katie Kilgore, school social worker, effective May 9, 2025.

Recommendation to accept the resignation of Mallory Hysong, tutor, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Recommendation to accept the retirement of Trudy Westover, Intervention Specialist, effective June 1, 2025.

Recommendation to accept the resignation of Samantha Languis, Intervention Specialist, effective August 1, 2025.

Recommendation to employ Kristine Dougherty on a one-year limited teaching contract for the 2025-2026 school year, MA, Step 0.

Recommendation to employ Carolyn O'Brien on a one-year limited teaching contract for the 2025-2026 school year, MA, Step 10.

Recommendation to approve the summer school program for current first through 5th grade students will be Monday through Thursday, June 2-5, 2025 and Monday through Thursday, June 9-12, 2025 and Monday through Wednesday, June 16-18, 2025. Student summer school hours are 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with students and an additional one-hour prep per day per teacher. In addition, the teachers will have up to 6 hours total of additional prep time prior to the start of summer school. Third grade students who do not pass the Ohio State Assessment for Reading in the Fall or Spring or do not obtain the promotional score on NWEA Map will need to come in to take the summer test offered the week of June 23-27, 2025. The associated positions and rates of pay are as follows:

Summer School Teachers - 9 positions, \$30 per hour
Summer School Coordinator – 1 position, \$3,000 stipend
Summer School Aides – 6 positions, \$14 per hour

Summer School Food Service - 1 position at 2024-2025 hourly rate for up to 2 hours per day
Summer School Bus Drivers – 3 positions at 2024-2025 hourly rate for approx. 2 hours per day.

Recommendation to approve a summer school program to be offered to current 9-12 grade students to take Apex courses who attend the JR/SR building. All costs for summer school will be paid from grant funds. Dates of summer school will be June 2-June 26, 2025; Monday-Thursday. Student summer school hours are 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and an additional one-hour prep per day for the summer school teacher. (4 hours per day including prep, 4 days per week starting June 2, 2025 and ending June 26, 2025.) No Summer school on June 19, 2025

Summer School Teacher - 1 position \$30 per hour;
Jr./Sr. High School Summer School Coordinator – 1 position, \$1,000.

Recommendation to pay the following teacher stipends for proof of completion of the Science of Reading Training (full cost of stipend reimbursed by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce):

Leslie Gilbert	Pathway B	\$1,200
Kailee Wallace	Pathway E	\$400
Megan Bullock	Pathway C	\$1,200

Recommendation to approve the following elementary teachers for elementary summer school classes for the summer of 2025.

Mackenzie Rogers
Rebecca Gaines
Abby Beale
Ron Fannin
Kevin Oldaker
Jessica Bookmyer
Rachel Legros

Recommendation to approve up to 12 hours of ELA Wonders Professional Development for elementary teachers K-6 for May, June, July, August, 2025.

Recommendation to approve the following KCESC board approved substitute teacher(s) for 2024-2025 school year:

Deana Floro

Recommendation to approve the following KCESC board approved aide(s) for 2024-2025 school year:

Annabell Kershner

Recommendation to approve the following as classified substitute(s):

Carrie Lynn Welu

Recommendation to non-renew, as an annual course of action, for the 2024-2025 school year non-teaching contracts as follows:

Varsity Cheerleading	Tammy Lemley
Jr High Cheerleading	Lindsey Jensen
Assistant Marching Band Director/Percussion	Aaron Vance

Assistant Marching Band Director/Percussion
Flag Advisor
Majorette Advisor
Junior Class Advisor
Testing Coordinator

Ethan Royer
Nyssa Luckey
Olivia Campbell
Fawnda Bible-Stahl
Annette Wozniak

Recommendation to approve the following job descriptions as presented:

Principal
Academic Coach
School Counselor
Intervention Specialist

Recommendation to approve Heather Bostic as a Volunteer Track Coach for the 2024-2025 school year.

Recommendation to approve the parental leave request from Cara Owens for the 2024-2025 school year.

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Recommendation to approve the transfer of Krista Reese from the position of Nurse Aide to Elementary Building Secretary per the job description, board approved on October 17, 2024.

Recommendation to approve the contract for services between Clear Fork Valley Local School District and East Knox Local School District from March 12, 2025-July 31, 2025 for transition and transfer of duties of Superintendent.

L. Bush
L. Campbell
A. Huffman
R. Reese-abstain
K. Tate

L. Adjournment

Recommendation to adjourn the meeting at _____ p.m.

L. Bush
L. Campbell
A. Huffman
R. Reese
K. Tate