

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MARTINS FERRY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

HELD: MONDAY

3:30 PM

August 24, 2026

The Martins Ferry Board of Education met in regular session in the Martins Ferry City School District Administrative Building Board Room with the following members present: Mr. Probst, Dr. Marangoni, Ms. Smay, Ms. Kapiskosky and Mr. Stankovich. Also present were Mr. Fogle, Superintendent, and Mrs. Skulich, Treasurer.

COMMENTS BY VISITORS

None

PRESENTATION BY SPEAKERS

Heather Austin – Superintendent – Belmont Harrison Career Center – Strategic Planning

Ms. Austin provided an overview of the services provided by the Bradley Payne Group at the Belmont-Harrison Career Center. She explained that the group developed a 10-year capital improvement plan by interviewing staff and meeting with various administrators to identify the facility's needs. She noted that having a complete plan was helpful in presenting the district's capital improvement needs to the Board, community, and staff. Ms. Austin also noted that there have been discussions with legislators regarding the possibility of mandatory capital planning requirements in the future, making the completed plan particularly beneficial.

RESOLUTION #1-109-26 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Stankovich and seconded by Dr. Marangoni to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2026, Regular Meeting as presented.

Ayes:	Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky	(5)
Noes:	None	(0)
Motion carried		

RESOLUTION #1-110-26 TREASURER'S REPORT/BILLS/TRANSFERS/3 YEAR FINANCIAL FORECAST/SUPERIOR DENTAL PROVIDER

A motion was made by Mr. Stankovich and seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the financial report, bills, transfers, 3-year financial forecast with notes and authorize the Treasurer to submit to the State and Superior Dental Care, A Medical Mutual Company as the new dental provider for the district as presented.

Transfers:

<i>From:</i>	<i>To:</i>	<i>Amount:</i>
Title I (572-9026)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$40,688.81
Title IIA (590-9026)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$ 4,482.43
Title IVA (584-9026)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$ 3,244.09
General Fund (001)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$162,752.00

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Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

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None

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mr. Joe Mamone updated the Board on the start of the 26-27 school year noting that staff returned on August 17, 2026, with students returning on August 19, 2026. The staff went through various sessions of professional development on their two in-service days and reported they all went very well.

Preliminary enrollment reported for the 26-27 school year is:

- Ayers Elementary – 470
- Middle School – 416
- High School – 380
- JVS – 29
- **Total – 1,266**

Mr. Mamone also provided updates on contracted IT services with ECO ESC, levy planning, OAPSE negotiations, the backflow regulator project, superintendent meetings, transportation, and Civics' use of the football field on Sundays.

RESOLUTION #1-111-26 CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RESIGNATIONS

Mr. Probst made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Stankovich to approve the following certified personnel resignations:

John Bennett	Assistant Track Coach	Effective Immediately
Nikki Baranski	Jr. High Volleyball Coach	Effective Immediately

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Noes: None

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RESOLUTION #1-112-26 CERTIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT

Mr. Probst made a motion, and it was seconded by Ms. Smay to approve the following certified personnel employment:

Megan Mamone	Volunteer Jr. High Volleyball Coach	Effective Immediately
Curtis Babiczuk	Substitute Teacher	Pending Certification and Background Check
Noelle Norman	Substitute Teacher	Effective Immediately
Peyton Hores	Substitute Teacher	Pending Certification
Bryan Mays	Substitute Teacher	Effective Immediately
James Dillard	Substitute Teacher	Pending Background Check
Sheryl Stankovich	Substitute Teacher	Effective Immediately
Eileen Kerns	Substitute Teacher	Effective Immediately
Whitney Czelusniak	Substitute Teacher	Pending Certification and Background Check
Danielle Reasbeck	Continuing Contract	Effective Immediately

Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Kapiskosky (4)

Abstain: Stankovich (1)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-113-26 NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RESIGNATIONS

Mr. Probst made a motion, and it was seconded by Dr. Marangoni to approve the following non-certified personnel resignations:

Sandra Timko	Retirement as ES Custodian	Effective August 31, 2026
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Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-114-26 NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT

Dr. Marangoni made a motion, and it was seconded by Ms. Smay to approve the following non-certified personnel employment:

Valtrena Manns	Elementary School Custodian	Effective September 1, 2026
Levi Furman	High School Custodian	Effective September 1, 2026
Maryellen Richards	High/Middle School Server	Effective August 17, 2026
Sydney Duncan	Jr. High Volley Coach	Pending Certification
Alicia Turner	Substitute Cafeteria Worker &	Pending Certification &

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Amelia French-Warren	Substitute Educational Aide	Background Check
	Substitute Cafeteria Worker	
	Substitute Educational Aide	Pending Certification
	Substitute Secretary	Pending Test & Background Check
Curtis Babiczuk	Substitute Custodian & Cafeteria Worker	Pending Background Check
Jim Hood	Volunteer Football Coach	Pending Certification
Robert Vargo	8 th Grade Football Coach	Effective Immediately
Fred Owens	Volunteer Football Coach	Pending Certification
Dom Wallace	Volunteer Football Coach	Pending Certification
Patti Lucas	Elementary Custodian	Effective September 1, 2026
Tammy Covington	Substitute Educational Aide	Pending Certification & Background Check
Catey Straub	Substitute Educational Aide	Pending Certification & Background Check
Sherry Torok	Substitute Cafeteria Worker	Pending Background Check
Stacy Holler	Head Cook High/Middle School	Effective September 1, 2026
Jaynis Kirkpatrick	Substitute Custodian	Pending Background Check

Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #1-115-26 IRS MILEAGE RATE

Dr. Marangoni made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the IRS mileage rate of 76 cents per mile effective July 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

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RESOLUTION #1-116-26 REVISED BOARD POLICIES

Mr. Stankovich made a motion, and it was seconded by Ms. Smay to approve the following revised board policies:

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Revised Policy 6.12 pp. 1-2

Revised Policy 7.17 pp. 1-7

Revised Policy 6.42 pp. 1-2

Revised Policy 8.14 pp. 1-4

Revised Policy 6.49 pp. 1-4

Revised Policy 9.22 pp. 1-31

Revised Policy 6.52 pp. 1-2

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-117-26 DYNAMIX CONTRACT

Mr. Stankovich made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Probst to approve a contract with Dynamix LLC for the 2026-2027 school year as presented.

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-118-26 PANORAMA CONTRACT

Dr. Marangoni made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Stankovich to approve a contract with Panorama as presented.

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-119-26 HANNAH GROH, ECO ESC CONTRACT

Mr. Probst made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Stankovich to approve a contract with the ECO ESC for Hannah Groh, Math Coach as presented.

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-120-26 LATIN HONORS SYSTEM FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Probst made a motion, and it was seconded by Ms. Kapiskosky to approve the use of the Latin Honors System in the High School starting with next year's incoming freshman as presented.

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Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-121-26 JULIA WEEKS UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Mr. Stankovich made a motion, and it was seconded by Ms. Smay to approve 2 days of unpaid leave of absence for Julia Weeks as presented.

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building and Grounds

Mr. Stankovich conducted a walkthrough of the district's buildings and stated that everything looked great. He commended the staff for a job well done in maintaining the buildings.

Athletic

Mr. Probst suggested that the committee consider appointing a community member to serve on the Athletic Board, should the Board be willing to do so.

Curriculum

Dr. Marangoni stated that Wheeling University presented a 10-week tutoring program to be implemented at the elementary school. Wheeling University students participating in the program and working with district students will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement prior to working with students.

Finance

Dr. Marangoni spoke with Chase Rosser of the ECO ESC to discuss OT services. He stated that the contract is on an as needed basis and that our Superintendent/Treasurer can discuss any changes with the ECO ESC's Superintendent/Treasurer.

Safety

Mr. Probst suggested discussing the matter with the City of Martins Ferry to request that road lines be painted on the road leading to the school due to fog conditions and related safety concerns.

OTHER:

Mr. Chuck Probst asked that the district ensure all communications and materials issued by the district are updated to reflect Mr. Joe Mamone as Superintendent.

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Mr. Probst discussed with the Belmont County Auditor's Office the status of assigning a value to a property located on 1st Street in Martins Ferry. The Auditor's Office stated that they will work with the appraisers to have the property appraised and assign a value for tax purposes.

RESOLUTION #1-122-26 EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Probst and seconded by Mr. Stankovich to enter executive session at 5:16 P.M. with respect to a public employee or official's employment.

Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Kapiskosky, Stankovich (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried

The meeting was reconvened at 5:32 P.M. with the following members answering roll call:

Mr. Stankovich, Ms. Smay, Mr. Probst, Ms. Kapiskosky

RESOLUTION #1-123-26 EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Probst and seconded by Ms. Smay to enter executive session at 5:33 P.M. for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Kapiskosky, Stankovich (4)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried

The meeting was reconvened at 5:47 P.M. with the following members answering roll call:

Mr. Stankovich, Ms. Smay, Mr. Probst, Ms. Kapiskosky

RESOLUTION #1-124-26 KINDERGARTEN EARLY ENROLLMENT

Mr. Probst made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Stankovich to allow a student early enrollment in kindergarten given that all Board Policy requirements for the same are met.

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky (4)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-125-26 ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Mr. Probst and seconded by Dr. Marangoni to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 P.M.

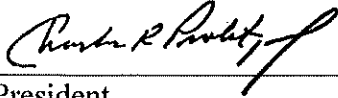
Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Kapiskosky

(4)

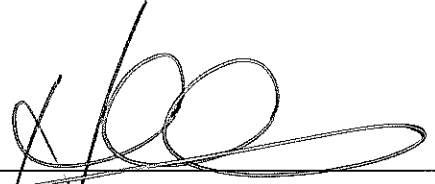
Noes: Stankovich

(1)

Motion carried.



Board President



Treasurer