

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
MARTINS FERRY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING  
HELD: THURSDAY

7:01 PM

FEBRUARY 20, 2025

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The Board of Education met in regular session at the high school cafeteria with the following members present: Mr. Bruney, Mr. Nagel, Mr. Agnew, Mr. Probst and Dr. Marangoni. Also present were Mr. Fogle, Mr. King and Mrs. Skulich.

**COMMENTS BY VISITORS**

Mayor John R. Davies – Addressed the Board about proposed 4 mill levy increase. He discussed the amount of property taxes the hospital owes the school. He stated that they do their best to attempt to bring businesses into Martins Ferry. He then went on to address various questions that himself, along with the residents of Martins Ferry had for the Board including: How long has the five-year forecast been in trouble? Does the Board receive a check/depository register each month? After a 4 mill transfer, will the school continue to be in debt? Why would the administrators/teachers receive a raise in August if the school was in financial trouble? Did the teachers discuss a pay freeze or administrative pay cut? If the 4-mill levy is passed, are you going to put turf on the ball fields? How many coaches are paid?

Shannon Kosky – Addressed the Board about the proposed 4 mill levy increase. She expressed concerns that the school has already spent more on repairs and improvements to the school than they initially did when the school was built. She explained that she has a son that goes to school at Martins Ferry and doesn't want to see staff and programs get taken away from the students. She also expressed concerns about protecting the elderly and suggested the Board to check other avenues of funding.

Paul Matuska – Addressed the Board regarding teachers, class size and enrollment. He expressed his concerns around the negative impact that the loss of teachers and programs would have on the school. He stated that the school has the best teachers and they all care about their students.

Holly McCormack – Addressed the Board regarding community and school. She commented on the positive impact of the music program and the community support for that program along with the negative impact that the loss of this program would have.

Julian Funari – Addressed the Board regarding his love of Martins Ferry. He talked about his time at Martins Ferry and the love for his teaching job and the students at Martins Ferry. He mentioned the unfortunate bad timing of the millage proposal but was in support of saving jobs at Martins Ferry.

Heather Skender – Addressed the Board regarding the educational process. She explained that she has children in school and is in support of the school. She discussed family, community and the school all working together to support the school.

Natalie Zambori – Addressed the Board regarding programs at Martins Ferry and support of the passage of the 4 mill levy. She explained that the programs at Martins Ferry are the foundation of student achievement. She discussed how larger classes leads to less time available for

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interaction with individual students. Natalie stated that programs at Martins Ferry were critical in shaping students' lives.

Melinda Brothers – Addressed the Board regarding matters beyond the classroom. She stated her love for her community, students, co-workers and administrators. She discussed matters around the importance of classroom aids and classroom size and their effects on the students. She suggested the Board consider the students in their decision.

**RESOLUTION #1-20-25 MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Bruney and seconded by Mr. Nagel to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2025 Organizational and Regular Meetings; the January 30, 2025 Special Meeting; the February 7, 2025 Special Meeting; and the February 12, 2025 Special Meeting as presented.

Ayes: Agnew, Bruney, Nagel, Marangoni, Probst (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #1-21-25 TREASURER'S REPORT/BILLS/TRANSFERS/THEN&NOW**

A motion was made by Mr. Bruney and seconded by Mr. Nagel to approve the financial report, bills, transfers, and Then and Now purchase orders as presented.

Transfers:

From:	To	Amount
Title I (572-9025)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9025)	\$57,954.64
Title IIA (590-9025)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9025)	\$7,815.70
General Fund (001)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9025)	\$245,753.72

Then and Now:

PO	Vendor	Amount
#194288	Liberty Distributors, Inc.	\$6,150.00

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Marangoni, Probst (5)

Noes: None (0)

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**PRESENTATION OF SPEAKERS:** None

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Mr. Fogle reported enrollment is 1,317.

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**RESOLUTION #1-22-25 CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RESIGNATIONS**

Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Bruney to approve the following resignations:

Rescind Ken Woodford's retirement letter from December 10, 2024 board meeting stating retirement at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Ken Woodford	Assistant High School Principal	Effective end of current contract
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Rescind Clay Sheldon's retirement letter from December 10, 2024 board meeting stating retirement at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Clay Sheldon	High School Science Teacher	Effective end of current contract
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Rescind Kathy Proya's retirement letter from October 8, 2024 board meeting stating retirement at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Kathy Proya	High School Teacher	Effective end of current contract
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Ayes: Nagel, Bruney, Agnew, Marangoni, Probst (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-23-25 CERTIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT**

Mr. Bruney made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Marangoni to approve the following employment:

Dalton Hoover	Substitute Teacher	Effective Immediately
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Dasyn Hores	Substitute Teacher	Effective Immediately
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John Bennett	Assistant Track Coach	Effective Immediately
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Meghan Jackson	Assistant Track Coach	Split Pay	Effective Immediately
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George Shreve	Assistant Track Coach	Split Pay	Effective Immediately
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Ayes: Nagel, Bruney, Agnew, Marangoni, Probst (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-24-25 NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RESIGNATIONS**

Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Agnew to approve the following resignations:

Tom Probst	Varisty Assistant Baseball Coach	Effective Immediately
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Ayes: Nagel, Bruney, Agnew, Marangoni (4)

Abstain: Probst (1)

Noes: None (0)

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Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-25-25 NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL RESIGNATIONS**

Mr. Bruney made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Nagel to approve the following employment:

Justin Hill	Substitute Bus Driver	Pending certification and background check
Anthony Catalano	Assistant Track Coach	Split Pay      Effective Immediately
Lauren Dickerson	Assistant Track Coach	Split Pay      Pending Certification

Ayes: Nagel, Bruney, Agnew, Marangoni (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-26-25 PERSONNEL CONTRACT RENEWALS/NON-RENEWALS**

Dr. Marangoni made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Nagel to approve the following continuing teacher contracts for the 2025-2026 school year:

Michael Bandi	Alicia Long	Breanna Beck	Maci McEndree
Melinda Brothers	Rhonda Malloy	Kaylee Closser	Lynne Mamone
Jessica Pramik	Megan Furbee	Brittany Reasbeck	Gregory Kumse
George Shreve	Angelina Lipperman	Heather Skender	

Ayes: Nagel, Bruney, Agnew, Marangoni (4)

Noes: Probst (1)

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-27-25 PERSONNEL CONTRACT RENEWALS/NON-RENEWALS**

Mr. Agnew made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Nagel to approve the following continuing teacher contracts for the 2025-2026 school year:

Derek Edwards

Ayes: Nagel, Bruney, Agnew (3)

Abstain: Marangoni (1)

Noes: Probst (1)

Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION #1-28-25 BOARD COMMITTEES**

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Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Dr. Marangoni to approve the following Board Committees for 2025:

Athletic Board – Dave Bruney, Chairperson Jim Agnew  
Finance/Audit – Jon Nagel, Chairperson Allen Marangoni  
Negotiations – Chuck Probst, Chairperson Jon Nagel  
Personnel – Dave Bruney, Chairperson James Agnew  
Public Liaison – James Agnew, Chairperson Dave Bruney  
Building/Grounds – Allen Marangoni, Chairperson Chuck Probst  
Curriculum – Allen Marangoni, Chairperson Chuck Probst  
Safety – Chuck Probst, Chairperson Jon Nagel

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Marangoni, Probst (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-29-25 FEDERAL PROGRAMS**

Mr. Bruney made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Nagel to approve the following federal programs;:

Title I  
Title I Non-Competitive  
Title IIA  
Title IVA  
IDEA-B (Special Education)  
IDEA Early Childhood Special Education  
Schoolwide Pool  
School Lunch Program  
Non-Public Auxiliary Services  
Expanding Opportunities for Each Child Grant  
Early Childhood Education (State)

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Marangoni, Probst (5)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-30-25 PUBLIC HEARING**

Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Bruney to approve a public hearing to consider the proposed school calendar for school year 2025-2026.

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Marangoni, Probst (5)

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Noes: None (0)  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-31-25 MEMBERSHIP WITH OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

Mr. Bruney made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Agnew to approve continued membership with the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2025-2026 school year.

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Marangoni, Probst (5)  
Noes: None (0)  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-32-25 UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE LISA REASBECK**

Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Bruney to approve 1 day of unpaid leave of absence for Lisa Reasbeck.

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Marangoni, Probst (5)  
Noes: None (0)  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-33-25 APPROVAL OF REVISED POLICY**

Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Bruney to approve the following revised policy:

Policy 2271

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Marangoni, Probst (5)  
Noes: None (0)  
Motion carried.

There was a motion to approve a resolution pertaining to converting 4 inside mills from a current operating expense allocation to a permanent improvement allocation by Mr. Bruney with no second, motion failed.

**RESOLUTION #1-34-25 APPROVAL OF ODEW FISCAL RECOVERY WRITTEN PLAN WORKBOOK AND NARRATIVE**

Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Bruney to approve the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce fiscal recovery written plan workbook and narrative.

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney (3)  
Abstain: Probst, Marangoni (2)

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Noes: None

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Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #1-35-25 BOARD MEETING WITH MFEA & OAPSE**

Mr. Nagel made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Bruney to request to have a meeting with MFEA and OAPSE regarding the reduction in force.

Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Bruney, Probst, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Dr. Marangoni reported the Elementary, Middle and High School testing schools and where improvements were made with these scores. He stated that overall scores were looking good.

**RESOLUTION #1-36-25 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Bruney made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Nagel to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.

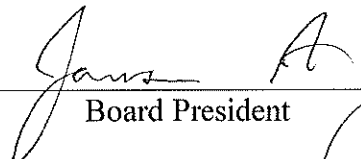
Ayes: Nagel, Agnew, Marangoni, Bruney, Probst

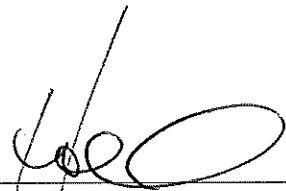
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Noes: None

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Motion carried.

  
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Board President

  
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Treasurer

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on March 20, 2025 at 5:00 PM at the High School Library.