

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MARTINS FERRY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

HELD: TUESDAY

7:30 AM

July 14, 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

RESOLUTION #1-100-26 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Stankovich and seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2026, Regular Meeting with changes as requested by Dr. Marangoni.

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

RESOLUTION #1-101-26 TREASURER'S REPORT/BILLS/TRANSFERS

A motion was made by Mr. Stankovich and seconded by Ms. Smay to approve the financial report, bills, and transfers as presented.

Transfers:

<i>From:</i>	<i>To:</i>	<i>Amount:</i>
Title I (572-9026)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$47,761.63
Title IIA (590-9026)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$ 5,261.60
Title IVA (584-9026)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$ 3,807.99
General Fund (001)	Schoolwide Pool (598-9026)	\$191,042.71

Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky (5)
Noes: None (0)
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PRESENTATION BY SPEAKERS

None

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

None

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RESOLUTION #1-102-26 CERTIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT

Dr. Marangoni made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Stankovich to approve the following certified personnel employment:

Patricia Creamer	Substitute Teacher	2026-2027 school year
Dominic Martin	Substitute Teacher	2026-2027 school year
Amy Orzolek	Continuing Contract	Effective Immediately
Paul Matuska	Head Varsity Track Coach	Effective Immediately
Christine Lewis	Assistant Track Coach	Effective Immediately

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

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-103-26 NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT

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

Darlene Wilson	4-Hour Server HS/MS	Effective August 17, 2026
Jessica D'Achille	Reserve Volleyball Coach	Pending Background Check & Certification

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

Abstain: Stankovich (1)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #1-104-26 MFEA CONTRACT 2026-2027

Dr. Marangoni made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the ratified MFEA contract effective September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2027.

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

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

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**RESOLUTION #1-105-26 VOLUNTEERS FOR BRINGING LITERACY TO LIFE
THROUGH PLAY PROGRAM FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR**

Ms. Smay made a motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Stankovich to approve the following volunteers for the program Bringing Literacy to Life Through Play: Elementary Reading and Phonics Partnership for the 2026-2027 school year:

Remy Badla
Kally Banal
Angelina Farlano
Kameron Galloway
Kallysta Hayduke
Autumn Kerchner
Kaileo Love
Peyton Massey
Layla Merriweather
Mac Pettigrew
Carson Swanson
Daud Thorne
Joshua Wesneski

Professors:
Shawna Safreed
Cindy Burke

Ayes: Probst, Smay, Stankovich, Kapiskosky, Marangoni

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #1-106-26 EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Probst and seconded by Ms. Smay to enter executive session at 7:40 A.M. with respect to matters to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Kapiskosky, Stankovich

(5)

Noes: None

(0)

Motion carried

The meeting was reconvened at 8:00 A.M. with the following members answering roll call:

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

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RESOLUTION #1-107-26 EDWARDS ABSOLUTE KINETICS, LLC CONTRACT

Mr. Probst made a motion, and it was seconded by Ms. Smay to approve a contract with Edwards Absolute Kinetics LLC from August 1, 2026, through August 1, 2027, as presented.

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

Abstain: Marangoni (1)

Noes: None (0)

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Athletic

Mr. Probst announced that the Athletic Board would meet immediately following the Board meeting on July 14, 2026.

Curriculum

Dr. Marangoni will contact Principal Nick Stankovich to discuss potential PTO assistance for the tutoring program.

Strategic Planning

The committee plans to meet before the start of the new school year. The committee meeting is scheduled for August 3, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

Finance

Dr. Marangoni requested that Treasurer Skulich provide him with the contract language for the ECO-ESC agreement. He also requested that a meeting be scheduled after the start of the school year to discuss alternative options for the occupational therapy (OT) contract.

Safety

Ms. Smay stated that she would begin researching the air quality and environmental impacts associated with potential data center developments in Belmont County. She will schedule a future committee meeting to discuss her findings and related issues.

OTHER:

Mr. Joe Mamone discussed the potential adoption of a new GPA scale that would transition from the current valedictorian system to a Latin honors system. He explained that, if the district decides to move forward following additional discussions, the new GPA scale would be implemented beginning with the incoming freshman class. The proposed change was prompted by concerns regarding the weighting of Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses and issues that have arisen under the current GPA and class ranking system.

Ms. Smay suggested that the district begin the levy planning process and hold bi-weekly planning meetings. It was recommended that Ms. Smay and Mr. Probst serve as the Board

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representatives on the committee, with regular updates provided to the remaining Board members throughout the process.

RESOLUTION #1-108-26 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Probst and seconded by Dr. Marangoni to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 A.M.

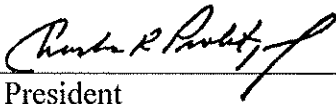
Ayes: Marangoni, Probst, Smay, Kapiskosky

(4)

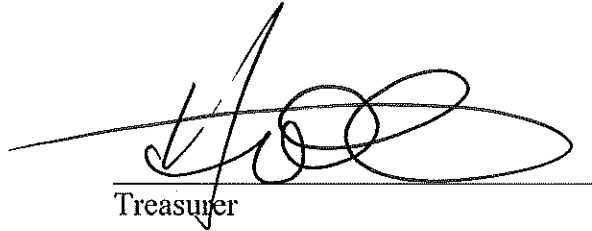
Noes: Stankovich

(1)

Motion carried.



Board President



Treasurer