

Board of Education - Regular Meeting

Board of Education

Galion High School, Room 127

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Present: Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member; Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member; Dr. Jeffrey Hartmann, Superintendent; Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member; Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education Member; Ms Shannon King, Treasurer

Absent: Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member

1 PRELIMINARY ITEMS

1.1 Roll Call

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education Member	X		

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 * Adopt Agenda

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dennis Long

Seconded: Mr. Isaac Strickler

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education Member	X		

2 RECOGNITION & REPORTS

2.1 Acknowledgement of Guests

2.2 Student Recognition

Recognize the following students for demonstrating the Portrait of a Tiger trait, Empathetic:

- Darryon Gibson - 2nd Grade
- Robert Sharrock - 4th Grade
- Gabriella Mies - 7th Grade
- Lillyss Elder - 9th Grade

Recognize the following students for demonstrating the Portrait of a Tiger trait, Involved:

- Avery Daniels - 5th Grade
- Raegen Woodmansee - 8th Grade

2.3 Staff Recognition

Recognize the following staff members for demonstrating the Portrait of a Tiger Trait, Empathetic:

- Julie Human - Primary School
- Kelly Showecker - Intermediate School
- Sarah Smith - Middle School
- Ashley Hickman - Middle School
- Karli Ingle - High School
- Angie Owens - Central Office

2.4 Legislative Update

Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member

2.5 Superintendent's Update

Dr. Jeffrey Hartmann, Superintendent

2.6 Community Input

Attachments:

[Board Policy 0.169.1.pdf](#)

3 * CONSENT AGENDA

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dennis Long

Seconded: Mrs. Christi Eckert

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education Member	X		

3.1 Board of Education Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2025 Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Attachments:

[12.10.25 Regular Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

3.2 Superintendent's Recommendations - Certified Personnel

Recommend to approve a change in placement on the pay scale for Nicole Watkins, Middle School Teacher, from Bachelors + 24 to Masters, pro-rated and effective the the fourteenth pay of the current contract year, per Article X of the Negotiated Agreement.

3.3 Superintendent's Recommendations - Classified Personnel

Recommend to accept the retirement resignation of Guido Lane, Head Custodian, effective April 17, 2026.

Recommend to approve Josh McKee as Head of Maintenance, effective December 29, 2025.

Recommend to approve Christina Parsley as Head Custodian at the High School, effective January 5, 2026.

Recommend to approve employment of the following Classified Substitute Personnel, contingent upon state certification and/or requirements as applicable to the position, for the 2025-2026 school year:

- Terry Miller - Substitute Bus Driver
- Tanya Morningstar - Substitute Bus Driver

3.4 Superintendent's Recommendations - Unclassified Support Staff

Recommend to approve Kristina Lawson as Family Advocate, with salary to based upon the position for the 2025-2026 school year.

3.5 Superintendent's Recommendations - Certified Extra-Duty

Recommend to approve the following Certified Extra-Duty Assignments for the 2025-2026 school year, contingent upon state certification and/or requirements applicable to the position. Compensation to be based upon the Extra-Duty Pay Schedule as defined in the GEA Negotiated Agreement, if applicable:

High School:

- India Johnson-Bowers - Thursday School

Athletics:

- Calli Bauer - Softball Head Varsity

3.6 Superintendent's Recommendations - Pupil Activity Contracts

Recommend to approve the following Pupil Activity Contracts for the 2025-2026 school year, contingent upon state certification and/or requirements applicable to the position. Compensation to be based upon the Extra-Duty Pay Schedule as defined in the GEA Negotiated Agreement, if applicable:

- Beth Ann Jarvis - Spring Dramatics
- Rachel Jarvis - Dramatics - HS Asst (Vocal)
- Amy Jarvis - Dramatics - HS Asst (Instrumental)
- Makenzie Baker - Softball Volunteer
- James Nelson - Girls Basketball Volunteer
- Tom Pawsey - Boys Tennis Head Varsity

3.7 Superintendent's Recommendations - Substitute Teachers

Recommend to approve employment of the following Substitute Teacher Personnel, contingent upon state certification and/or requirements as applicable to the position, for the 2025-2026 school year:

- Scott Benco

3.8 Membership Renewals

Recommend to approve membership renewals Galion City Schools Board of Education district and administration for calendar year 2026 with the attached organizations and associations:

Attachments:

[Memberships for 2026.pdf](#)

3.9 School Board Recognition Month

Recognize January 2026 as Ohio School Board Recognition Month

3.10 Science of Reading - Stipend Payments

Recommendation to authorize the Treasurer to pay the Science of Reading Stipends of \$1,200 or \$400 according to the requirements set forth by House Bill 33, of the state operating budget to the staff members who complete the mandatory training.

3.11 Board Bylaws and Policies

Recommend to approve the first and final read of the attached policy:

Attachments:

[po2370.pdf](#)

3.12 Field Trips

Recommend to approve the following field trips for the 2025-2026 school year:

High School:

- January 28, 2026 - Selected 10th grade students to visit Pioneer Career & Technical Center in Shelby, OH
- April 26, 2026 - After-prom bus to run from 12:45 am to 4:00 am between GracePoint church, Victory Lanes and Planet 14

3.13 Resolution Authorizing Required Third Grade Assessments in Paper Format

Recommend to approve a resolution allowing the required Third Grade Assessments to be administered in a paper format for the 2026-2027 school year, as attached:

Attachments:

[3rd grade paper testing resolution SIGNED.pdf](#)

3.14 Memorandum of Understanding - GEA & OAPSE Spring Weight room Coordinator

Recommend to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Galion Board of Education, Galion Educational Association and Ohio Association of Public School Employees regarding the supplemental position of Spring Weight Room Coordinator for the 2025-2026 school year, as attached:

Attachments:

[Hart J. Spring Weightroom Coord MOU 25-26 1 .pdf](#)

4 TREASURER'S CONSENT AGENDA

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dennis Long

Seconded: Mr. Doug Jutz

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education Member	X		

Attachments:

[Cash Summary Report - December FINAL.pdf](#)
[January Meeting Packet.pdf](#)

4.1 Donations

- Recommend to accept the following from the Arthur J Freese Charitable Trust - \$3,077 for Elementary Music, \$3,998 for Galion Preschool and \$3,918 for the Primary Cross Curricular program - Receipt # 260804
- Recommend to accept the following from the Arthur J Freese Charitable Trust - \$3,000 for HS Athletics - Receipt 260790
- Recommend to accept \$118.54 from Friends of Marsha Yunker for Mayor, to the Primary Library - Receipt #260797
- Recommend to accept \$400 from Heather Nicholson for 8th grade Washington DC trip - Receipt #260791
- Recommend to accept \$336.80 from Kyle Martin for 8th grade Washington DC trip - Receipt #260791
- Recommend to accept \$250 from McDonald's for HS Athletics - Receipts #260793

Attachments:

[Yunker Letter.pdf](#)

4.2 ADDENDUM ITEM - Absence Without Pay

Approve the following payroll deductions:

12/19/25 payroll:

- Matt Eusey - 5 days

1/5/26 payroll:

- Matt Eusey - 3 days
- Sarah Fraizer - 5 days

4.3 4.3 ADDENDUM ITEM - Fund to Fund Transfer

Recommend to approve a \$17,567.03 transfer from General Fund (001) to Energy Conservation Improvement Bonds Fund (002)

5 * NEW BUSINESS

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dennis Long

Seconded: Mr. Isaac Strickler

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education Member	X		

5.1 * 2026-2027 District Calendar

Recommend to approve the final read of the 2026-2027 Galion City Schools district calendar, as attached:

Attachments:

[Calendar B.pdf](#)

6 EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session is requested for one or more of the following matters to:

- ___a. consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official;
- ___b. consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, "regulated individual," or student; unless the person being investigated of charges or complaints requests a public hearing;
- ___c. consider the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding, or sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete, unfit-for-use property if the premature disclosure of the information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest;
- ___d. confer with the public body's attorney for the purpose of considering disputes if a court action concerning the dispute is either pending or imminent;
- ___e. prepare for, conduct, or review negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms or conditions of employment;
- ___f. consider matters required by federal laws, or rules, or state statutes to be kept confidential;
- ___g. consider details of security arrangements and emergency response protocols where disclosure might reveal information that could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the District's security;
- ___h. consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance or negotiations with other politics subdivisions regarding requests for economic development assistance (provided statutory conditions are met).

RECESS TIME: PM

RECONVENE TIME: PM

7 ADJOURN

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:24 PM

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Dennis Long

Seconded: Mr. Doug Jutz

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education Member	X		