

Board of Education - Regular Meeting

Board of Education

Galion High School, Room 127

Tuesday, August 11, 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 Vice President; Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member; Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President; Ms Shannon King, Treasurer

1 PRELIMINARY ITEMS

1.1 *Roll Call

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Minutes:

Dennis Long absent

Result: Approved

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 * Adopt Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda: _____

Second: _____

Any discussion? _____

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Mike Mateer
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. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

2 RECOGNITION & REPORTS

2.1 Acknowledgement of Guests

2.2 Booster Report

Minutes:

Boosters presented briefly and provided a financial update.

2.3 Gridiron Report

Minutes:

Gridiron Club spoke briefly about changes in their organization and gave a brief financial update.

2.4 Legislative Update

Mr. Dennis Long, Board of Education Vice President

Minutes:

No report - Dennis was absent.

2.5 Superintendent's Update

Dr. Jeffrey Hartmann, Superintendent

2.6 Community Input

Attachments:

[Board Policy 0.169.1.pdf](#)

3 * CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to open the consent agenda: _____
Second: _____
Any discussion? _____
(Roll call at the end of section 3)

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Isaac Strickler

Seconded: Mr. Mike Mateer

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

3.1 Board of Education Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2026 Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes:

Attachments:

[July meeting minutes 1 .pdf](#)

3.2 Superintendent's Recommendations - Certified Personnel

Recommend to approve a change of placement on the pay scale for Lucinda Edgell, from Bachelors to Bachelors +24.

Recommend to approve a change of placement on the pay scale for Aleta Rowe, from Masters +15 to Masters +30.

3.3 Superintendent's Recommendations - Classified Personnel

Recommend to accept the resignation of McKenzie Baker, Middle School Educational Aide, effective July 8,2026.

Recommend to accept the resignation of Christina Neal, Cook, effective August 5,2026.

Recommend to approve employment of the following Classified Personnel, Julie Boles - 7 hour cook, Judy Hickman - 4 hour cook, Chloe Rupp - 4 hour cook and Kristen Stafford - 4 hour cook,

Recommend to approve employment of the following Classified Personnel, Saira Carpenter Middle School Educational Aide

Recommend to approve employment of the following Classified Substitute Personnel, contingent upon state certification and/or requirements as applicable to the position, for the 2026-2027 school year:

- Kristine Collier-Substitute Cook and Substitute Secretary
- Joretta Evans-Substitute Cook
- Janet Hart-Substitute Cook
- Sharon Lee-Substitute Cook
- Vicki Jobe-Substitute Cook
- Larry Alspach-Substitute Custodian

- Skylar Beachy- Substitute Custodian
- Lowell E. Kincade-Substitute Custodian
- Jeff Mason-Substitute Custodian
- Vickie Adams-Substitute Secretary
- Cathy George-Substitute Educational Aide
- Marianne Goss-Substitute Educational Aide and Substitute Secretary
- Mary Ellen Pauly-Substitute Educational Aide
- Dawn Schaffner-Substitute Educational Aide and Substitute Secretary
- Cassandra Smith-Substitute Educational Aide
- Margaret Sulser-Substitute Educational Aide
- Madyson Tinch-Substitute Educational Aide
- Danielle Toney-Substitute Educational Aide
- Janice Tuscan-Substitute Educational Aide and Substitute Secretary
- Mary Bash-Substitute Van Driver

3.4 Superintendent's Recommendations - Certified Extra-Duty

Recommend to approve the following Certified Extra-Duty Assignments for the 2026-2027 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:

- Maura Hartley- Safety Patrol
- Alisha Griffin- Student Council
- Jamie Valentine-Tech

3.5 Superintendent's Recommendations - Pupil Activity Contracts

Recommend to approve the following Pupil Activity Contracts for the 2026-2027 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:

- Lucas Conner - Middle School Cross Country

3.6 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 2026-2027 school year:

- Vickie Adams
- Brittany Bowron
- Cheryl Butler
- Jordan Eichorn
- Stephanie Elder
- Julia Evak
- Ronald Fox
- Kristina Franks
- Suzanne Garber
- Cathy George
- Marianne Goss
- Holden Hunter

- Jaci Lugo
- Rodney D. Miller
- Chris Rothhaar
- P. Michael Schaffner
- Margaret Sulser
- Terry Thornsberry
- Madyson Tinch
- Heath Watkins
- Lois Weston

3.7 CEP Program for the 2026-2027 School Year

Recommend to approve participation in the Community Eligibility Program (CEP), which will provide free school breakfast and lunches to all Galion City School students for the 2024-2025 school year.

Attachments:

[Increased price letter.pdf](#)

3.8 Elementary Music MOU

Attachments:

[MOU Elementary Music 8.11.26.pdf](#)

3.9 2026-2027 Extra-Curricular Photographers

Recommend to approve granting the following non-compensated photographers the authorization to take photographs at extra-curricular activities for the Galion City School District, effective for the 2025-2026 school year:

- Maria Winemiller - Photos by Maria
- Kathy Anatra - Anatra Graphic Art, Inc.
- Erin Miller - Images by Erin
- Lynne Foust - Treasured Memories
- Mark Baer - MLBaer Photography

3.10 2026-2027 Reading Improvement Plan

Recommend to approve the Reading Improvement Plan for the 2026-2027 school year, as attached.

Attachments:

[2026-2027 GCS Reading Improvement Plan.pdf](#)

3.11 Mid-Ohio ESC - Title IX Services Agreement

Recommend to approve the agreement between the Galion City School District and Mid-Ohio Education Service Center, effective August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027, for the purpose of providing services to the District to comply with the Title IX grievance process, as attached.

Attachments:

3.12 2026-2027 NEOnet Agreement

Recommend to approve the attached agreement between Galion City Schools and NEOnet for the 2026-2027 school year:

Attachments:

[NEONET Contract FY2027.pdf](#)

3.13 Appoint Designees

Recommend to appoint Board Counsel as the Board designee to hear any student expulsion appeals for the 2026-2027 school year.

Recommend to appoint Jeff Hartmann as the Board designee to hear any student suspension appeals for the 2026-2027 school year.

3.14 Roll Call

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Result: Approved

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

4 *TREASURER'S CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to open Treasurer's consent agenda: _____

Second: _____

Any Discussion? _____

(Roll call at the end of section 4)

Motioned: Mr. Isaac Strickler

Seconded: Mr. Doug Jutz

Attachments:

[Cash Summary Report - JULY 2026 FINAL.pdf](#)

[Bank Reconciliation - July 2026.pdf](#)

[Cash Reconciliation as of July 31 2026.pdf](#)

[Actual Fund Balances as of July 31 2026.pdf](#)

4.1 Donations

- Recommend to approve \$360 donation from Galion Building & Loan from Tiger Debit Card - Receipt 270011
- Recommend to approve \$750 donation from Kiwanis to Athletics for Kiwanis Invitational track awards - Receipt 270024
- Recommend to approve \$17,999 donation from Galion Booster Club to Athletics /Operations for uniforms, HUL and Turf Tank - Receipt 270026
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4.2 FIVE YEAR FORECAST - AUGUST 2026

Recommend to approve the Five Year Forecast and submit to the State of Ohio for August 31, 2026 submission deadline.

Attachments:

[Galion.pptx](#)
[Galion_044024.docx](#)

4.3 Roll Call

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

5 * NEW BUSINESS

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Minutes:

No new business!

6 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of: _____.

Action WILL X WILL NOT _____ follow:

Second: _____

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

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

 X 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: 7:27 PM

RECONVENE TIME: 7:31 PM

Motion to adjourn from Executive Session: _____

Second: _____

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Minutes:

Mike Mateer motioned and Isaac Strickler seconded to enter Executive Session.

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Mike Mateer

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. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

7 Executive Session Action

7.1 Approve Treasurer Contract Addendum

Motion to adjourn: _____

Second: _____

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mr. Mike Mateer

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. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

Attachments:

[Treasurer Contract Addendum.pdf](#)

7.2 Approve Superintendent Contract Addendum

Motion to adjourn: _____

Second: _____

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Christi Eckert

Seconded: Mr. Mike Mateer

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		

Attachments:

[Superintendent Contract Addendum.pdf](#)

8 Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: _____

Second: _____

Roll Call: Christi Eckert _____ Dennis Long _____ Mike Mateer _____ Isaac Strickler _____ Doug Jutz _____

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:35 PM

Result: Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Christi Eckert

Seconded: Mr. Mike Mateer

Voter	Yes	No	Abstained
Mr. Isaac Strickler, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Doug Jutz, Board of Education Member	X		
Mr. Mike Mateer, Board of Education Member	X		
Mrs. Christi Eckert, Board of Education President	X		