

BOARD NOTES

To help aid in communication, we were asked to post some notes of what took place at each board meeting. These are *not* the official meeting minutes as they will be approved at the next board meeting. This, however, is the running notes from each meeting.

Meeting Date: February 10, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Utica Middle School

The meeting in February is a regular business meeting. The board started on time at 6:00 p.m. Superintendent's report included items concerning winter weather and the number of calamity days available. The board also heard an update on discussions with the superintendent and congratulating Randy Felumlee for receiving the "You Made a Difference Award". Treasurer's report discussed the forecast and state of the district finances. The athletic general account and food service spreadsheets were provided. Work session provided an opportunity to review the first read of two policies.

In the consent agenda, for personnel, the board approved the retirement of Jeff Hindel, middle school teacher; approved a couple of supplemental positions; employed Tina Hull for food service, and approved three non-degree substitutes.

In the finance consent agenda, the board acted on items for payment of bills and purchase orders. They also discussed and acted on a resolution for Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission.

In other board action, an agenda adjustment to include a request from FFA for an overnight trip on February 27, was added and approved. Coaching volunteers were approved by the board. The board approved a resolution concerning school calendars for the 2025-2026 through 2027-2028 school years. We had a request for a non-senior graduate that the board acted on. Board committees were changed to administrative committees. The board also added Strategic Planning, and Capital Improvement Committees as board committees. The board acted on an MOU with OAPSE concerning Articles 17 and 28 of the negotiated agreement. The board also approved the classified salary schedule.

In board discussion the board heard about the Knox County grant for student driving instruction, FFA advisory, shop equipment, College Credit Plus, OHSAA reply to the board letter, and after school snack programs. The board also discussed options for strategic planning and set up a special meeting on February 26 for further work.

The meeting concluded at 6:53 p.m. The next meeting is on March 17, 2025 at Utica Elementary School starting at 6:00 p.m. There is a special meeting on February 26, starting at 10:00 a.m. in the high school conference room.