

The Liberty-Benton Board of Education held a regular board of education meeting January 15, 2025 at 6:12 p.m. with the following members answering roll call: Ms. Heather Franks, present; Mr. Brian Christiansen, present; Mr. Steve Benson, present; Mr. AJ Granger, present; Mr. Jim Mace, absent.

Board Vice President Brian Christiansen welcomed the following visitors: Chad Hirschy.

Board Vice President offered the audience an opportunity to address the Board of Education. No one in attendance responded.

(1 5 25) A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 23, 2024 REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING.

A motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Granger to approve the minutes from the December 23, 2024 regular board of education meeting.

Votes: Ayes: Benson, Granger, Franks, Christiansen. Nays: None.

The Board Vice President declared the motion carried.

(1 6 25) A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Granger seconded by Mr. Benson to approve the consent agenda to include the following items:

1. Listing of bills, expenditures and investments through December 31, 2024 and monthly financial report of the Treasurer
2. Approve appropriation modifications for January, 31, 2025
3. Approve unpaid leave of absence for Karen Thomas for 12/18/2024
4. Accept the following donations from the Veterans of Foreign War of Ohio Charities VFW Post 5645; \$4400 Military Honor Wall, \$1000 Field of Flags, \$2000 Purple Star Celebrations, \$1600 Honor Flight, \$1000 Veteran's Day Breakfast
5. Approve the Ocean Focus trip to Florida from Monday, June 2, 2025 through Tuesday, June 10, 2025
6. Approve extra curricular/co curricular staff pending approval of all necessary documents and certification:
 - Sydney Chortie, Softball JV Assistant
 - Scott Snider, Softball Assistant High School
 - Jack Slezak, Volunteer
7. Approve Tournament Site Agreement as presented for OHSAA District Boys Basketball tournament February 25 (2 games) and March 1 (1 game) for OHSAA District Boys Basketball tournament to be held at Liberty-Benton High School
8. Approve tournament positions as presented, including Scott Garlock as Tournament Manager for the February 25 (2 games) and March 1 (1 game) for OHSAA District Boys Basketball tournament to be held at Liberty-Benton High School

Votes: Ayes: Granger, Benson, Franks, Christiansen. Nays: None.

The Board Vice President declared the motion carried.

(1 7 25) A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAMS FOR THE 2025 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by Mr. Benson, seconded by Mr. Granger to approve participation in the College Credit Plus Programs for the 2025 2026 school year.

Votes: Ayes: Benson, Granger, Franks, Christiansen. Nays: None.

The Board Vice President declared the motion carried.

(1 8 25) A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE ORDER PROPOSAL #2 ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD AND CHARLES CONSTRUCTION TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT THE NEW TRANSPORTATION AND MAINTENANCE FACILITY ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE BOARD ON TERMS AS PRESENTED INCREASING THE CONTRACT SUM GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$1950), REPRESENTING AN ADJUSTMENT IN CONTRACT TIME BY AN ADDITIONAL FOURTEEN (14) DAYS INCLUDING THE INSTALLATION OF METAL SIDING, LINER PANEL AND TRIM AS PART OF THE PROJECT.

A motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Ms. Franks to approve the following Change Order Proposal #2 associated with the contract between the Board and Charles Construction to design and construct the new transportation and maintenance facility on property owned by the Board on terms as presented increasing the Contract Sum guaranteed maximum price in the amount of one thousand nine hundred fifty dollars (\$1950), representing an adjustment in contract time by an additional fourteen (14) days including the installation of metal siding, liner panel and trim as part of the project.

Votes: Ayes: Benson, Franks, Granger, Christiansen. Nays: None.

The Board Vice President declared the motion carried.

(1 9 25) A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT MONITORING 4 GOVERNANCE PROCESS.

A motion was made by Mr. Granger and seconded by Mr. Benson to accept monitoring 4 Governance Process.

Votes: Ayes: Granger, Benson, Franks, Christiansen. Nays: None.

The Board Vice President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Granger, seconded by Mr. Benson to adjourn to executive session at 6:50 p.m. for the purpose of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of an employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official, licensee or student requests a public hearing and the purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of property at competitive bidding, preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees.

Votes: Ayes: Granger, Benson, Franks, Christiansen. Nays: None.

The Board Vice President declared the motion carried.

The Board reconvened to the regular meeting at 7:37 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Benson seconded by Mr. Granger to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 8:01 p.m.

Votes: Ayes: Benson, Granger, Franks, Christiansen. Nays: None.

The Board Vice President declared the motion carried.

Board Vice President 

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