RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Board of Education Meeting

March 17 2026

The Mansfield City Schools Board of Education met in a regular session on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Lowell T. Smith Boardroom of the Raemelton Administration Building. The following members answered the roll: Chris Elswick, present, Linda Golden, present, Deena Hamilton, present, Jennifer Kime, present, Leslie Ward, present. Superintendent Stan Jefferson was also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

26 - 54 Resolution to approve the Agenda

Mr. Eslwick moved, seconded by Ms. Ward, to approve the agenda

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

Presentation: Outstanding Tygers Recognition:

Superintendent Stan Jefferson presented a proposal to the Board of Education outlining plans to expand the district's STEM school from serving grades K–6 to include 7th grade, with the potential to extend to 8th grade in the future. The presentation highlighted growing student interest in STEM programming, the benefits of providing a continuous pathway into middle school, and the need to support advanced learning opportunities. Considerations such as staffing, facilities, curriculum alignment, and budget impact were also discussed as part of the phased expansion plan.

26 - 55 Resolution to approve the Central Ohio Behavioral Consulting LLC

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Ms. Ward, to approve the Central Ohio Behavioral Consulting LLC.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

26 - 56 Resolution to approve the Bus Donations

Mrs. Kime moved, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, to approve the bus donation to the Shelby and Shiloh Fire Department

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

26 - 57 Resolution to approve the Mediation Agreement

Ms. Ward moved, seconded by Mrs. Kime, to approve the Mediation Agreement.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Abstain; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

Public Hearing for Kimberly Brookins-Lindsay

Public Meeting on the issue of the re-employment of Kimberly Brookins-Lindsay during her SERS service retirement. Members of the public are invited to provide input to the Board on the issue of re-employing Kimberly Brookins-Lindsay as an In-School Intervention Paraprofessional, during her service retirement. Speakers are limited to four (4) minutes each, and all public comments will be closed after thirty (30) minutes. A sign-up sheet will be used, if necessary, to determine the order in which persons will address the Board.

Superintendent's Report:

On March 10, 2026, we participated in the United Way of Richland County banquet program. United Way held its annual dinner. Mansfield City Schools was recognized as a Top 25 Company. This year, the district collected $9,713 in contributions from the employees of Mansfield City Schools. All buildings and departments donated something to the campaign this year. United Way of Richland County invests in over 40 programs and 15 agencies in Richland County. Many of our tyger families receive support from these programs and agencies.

Mansfield City Schools partners with many agencies and programs receiving important funds.

Salvation Army CACY, YMCA, Mid-Ohio Youth Mentoring, Friendly House, Catholic Charities Independent Living Center, Catalyst, Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center, Girl Scouts, Third Street Family Health Services, The Domestic Violence Center, American Red Cross, Community Health Accreditation Partner (CHAP), Wayfinders Ohio Homeless Shelter.

On March 12, 2026, we had Tyger Family Night at Mansfield Senior High. Families and students from all of our schools were there for games, activities, food, and a wonderful speaker. I'd like to thank Dr. Holly Christie for her work on this project.

Today, Tuesday, Enisia Lee and I attended a Rotary meeting. The meeting focused on the 4-way Speech Test.

Boys Basketball - Let's take a look at the overall season of the boys basketball team
OCC - Conference Champions, Sectional Champions, District Champions, Regional Runner Ups

This is a tremendous feat for Coach Sykes, his staff, and his team, but more than that, it helped galvanize the Mansfield City School community.

It was a successful weekend for the Mansfield Senior High Key Club! 9 students traveled to Columbus for the weekend for the Ohio Key Club District Leadership Conference. The weekend was filled with fellowship and service, with plenty of fun rolled in. We came away with two awards: 1st place in Digital Poster and 3rd place in Talent. Our very own Amelia Raphael also served her first year as Lieutenant Governor of District 10, with another year to be served. And our two senior Key Club members, Adriana Martinez-Hernandez and Tilia Ames, were honored for their time serving in Key Club.

26 - 58 Resolution to approve Treasurer's recommended agenda items:

A. Gifts to the District

Crossroads Church	$3,000
Park National Bank	$500
Robert P. SPreng Amvets Post #26	$1,000
Schmidt Security	$250

A donation of $1,000.00 was made by Scott & Margo Cardwell to the S.A.F.E. Program.

The Phoenix Brewing Co. donated their tips in the amount of $1,323.25 and a bucket of toys to the S.A.F.E. Program.

Blackbird Bakery donated $288.00 to the kindergarten class at Springmill Elementary.

Beyond Esthetics donated a gift card, an UGG blanket, a Stanley tumbler, a gift box, and candy valued at $285.00 for the Teacher of the Month program at the Middle School.

Denise Provchy of DP Therapeutic Massage donated 100 complimentary massage certificates for staff at Mansfield Senior High.

Mary Weeks donated $100.00 for the Musical at Mansfield Senior High.

B. Financial Report

Ms. Ward moved, seconded by Mrs. Kime, to accept the gifts to the district, as well as the financial report.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

26 - 59 Resolution to approve Superintendent's Recommended Contracts:

Mrs. Golden moved, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, to approve the Speech Therapy Service Contract.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

26 - 60 Resolution to approve Superintendent's Recommended Personnel Actions:

Mr. Eslwick moved, seconded by Mrs. Golden, to approve the Superintendent's personnel actions.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

A. Appointments

Name	Position	Building	Eff. Date	
Certified				
Bessick, Renee	First Grade Teacher	Springmill STEM	3/18/26	Master's+15, Step 10, $66,255
Non-Certificated				
Abarca, Hermalinda	Paraprofessional	Multiple, MS/SE	3/18/26	Step 0, $15.49 per hour, Degree
Smith, Ivy	Paraprofessional	Sherman	3/18/26	Step 0, $14.82 per hour, college experience

B. Resignations

Certified				
Rickert, Deb	Transportation Supervisor	District	8/1/26	
Rescind/Adjustment to Resignation effective date				
Name	**Position**	**Building**	**Eff. Date**	
Lawless, Pamela	Science Teacher	Senior High	2/25/26	

C. Retirements

Rescind/Adjustment to Resignation effective date				
Name	**Position**	**Building**	**Eff. Date**	
DeYarmon, Dawn	Intervention Specialist	Malabar	7/1/2026	

D. Substitutes - 2025-2026

Name	Position
Jones, Keyona	Bus Aide

E. Supplementals – 2025-2026

Paraprofessionals performing delegated nursing procedures; $500.00			
Rapp, Mark			

Future Meetings: Regular Board of Education Meeting - April 7, 2026: 5:30 P.M.

26 - 61 Resolution to adjourn to executive session

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Ms. Ward, to Adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime,Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

26 - 62 Resolution to adjourn

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Mrs. Kime, to Adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mrs. Hamilton, Yes; Mrs. Kime, Yes; Ms. Ward, Yes;

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Chris Elswick, President Tammy Hamilla, Treasurer

School District Board of Education, Certificate Section 5705.412, Ohio Revised Code It is hereby certified that the Mansfield City Richland County, Ohio, has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of day's instruction was or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.