RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Board of Education Meeting

May 6 2025

The Mansfield City Schools Board of Education met in a regular session on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Lowell T. Smith Boardroom at the Raemelton Administration Building. The following members answered the roll: Chris Elswick, present, Linda Golden, present, Gary Feagin, present, Jennifer Kime, absent, Leslie Ward, absent. Superintendent, Stan Jefferson and Treasurer, Tammy Hamilla were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

25 - 86 Resolution to Approve the Agenda

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Mrs. Golden, to approve the agenda

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mr. Feagin, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes

Presentation: Every Student, Every Day Champions – Award Winning Art Students and ACT Scholars

Mr. Rizzo and Mr. Greene introduced Quinn Hodapp and Aubreigh Spear, Juniors at Mansfield Senior High School, who recently scored exceptionally well on their ACT Test. Both ladies scored in the 30s on each section. Aubreigh scored a perfect score of 36 on her English test. Mr. Greene commented that not only do these students excel academically he also notices that they always have a smile and great attitude when they enter school in the morning. Mr. Green thanked them and their families for modeling a positive attitude and zest for learning.

Art Students - Artapolooza Winners and Governor's Statehouse Exhibitors

Mindy Duncan, Sr. High's lead Art Teacher of 31 yrs. presented the paintings of her students who were recognized and awarded at the 2025 Artapolooza Art Show and the Governor's State Exhibition in Columbus.

At the Artapolooza Show, Addison Langston won Best of Show, Hannah Nolan was awarded 1st place and Honorable Mention for 2 of her paintings, and Payton Sciaretta received an Honorable Mention.

Several of Mrs. Duncan's students submitted paintings to the 2025 Governor's show. Jan'Niyah Davis and Yeismar Toledo were chosen for the Governor's Show from Sr. High and their paintings are currently displayed in the Statehouse.

Mrs. Duncan thanked the board, Mr. Jefferson, Mr. Rizzo, and Dr. Christie for the support that they have given her and the Art department over the years. She has truly appreciated the opportunity to teach this year's and past year's talented students.

GEAR UP – 2025

Gear Up Presentation: Effie James, College Now Program Manager and Gear Up Site Director, introduced Mansfield Senior High's Gear Up Counselors, Malon Samuel and Eli Jordan. Mr. James and his counselors reviewed the many programs and activities that they have provided this year to engage Senior High students in exploring their options after graduation. Each year, participation in the Gear Up program has grown. This year, they have 81 students participating in Signing Day, which takes place this Thursday, May 8th. Mr. James thanked the Administration and Nikia Fletcher for their help and support.

PEACE ON MY BLOCK – Community Fair – May 22, 2025 – 5:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. – Arlin Field

Tom Hager, Malabar Intermediate School Principal and Community Fair Chairman, shared all of the events and activities that will be happening on May 22, 2025, at the Peace on my Block Community Fair. Our community partners have participated in the planning process and numerous businesses and agencies have donated funds and prizes for this special event. We're looking forward to a fantastic evening of fun for our K-8 students and their families.

25 – 87 Resolution to rescind prior board action(s) and adopt Special Education Model Policies and Procedures – v1.0 2025

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 3323.08 requires each school district to provide assurances to the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce ("DEW") that the district will provide for the education of children with disabilities within its jurisdiction and has in effect policies, procedures, and programs that are consistent with the policies and procedures adopted by DEW; and

WHEREAS, the DEW developed and released an updated document in December 2024 entitled "Special Education Model Policies and Procedures" ("2024 Model Policies"), which it notified educational agencies that they could adopt to fulfill the legal requirement described in the preceding paragraph; and

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2025, the Board approved Resolution 25 - 41 to adopt the DEW's 2024 Model Policies; and

WHEREAS, the Board subsequently learned that the 2024 Model Policies that it adopted contained certain statements that are either unnecessary to comply with State and Federal law or conflict with existing State and Federal laws and/or applicable case law, and therefore approved on March 4, 2025, Resolution 25 - 57 to (a) rescind its original resolution adopting the 2024 Model Policies and (b) adopt a modified version of the DEW's 2024 Model Policies that expressly revised and/or deleted language from the DEW's original 2024 Model Policies to ensure the District's compliance with applicable state and federal laws and case law; and

WHEREAS, on or about April 4, 2025, the DEW released an updated Special Education Model Policies and Procedures – v1.0 2025 ("2025 Model Policies"); and

WHEREAS, the Board is interested in rescinding its earlier action(s) – i.e., Resolution 25 - 41 and Resolution 25 - 57 and, instead, adopting the DEW's 2025 Model Policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby rescinds Board Resolution(s) 25 -41 and adopts the DEW's 2025 Model Policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board acknowledges that the 2025 Model Policies, while comprehensive, do not include every requirement set forth in the IDEA, the regulations implementing the IDEA, the Operating Standards, the Ohio Revised Code ("ORC"), and/or the Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC"), and the Board recognizes its obligation to follow these laws, along with applicable case law, regardless of whether their provisions and/or interpretations are accurately restated and/or reflected in the 2025 Model Policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board directs the Director of Pupil Services to notify the DEW of the Board's adoption of the 2025 Model Policies through the DEW's Monitoring System by uploading a copy of this Board resolution within the timeframes set forth by the DEW.

Mrs. Golden moved, and Mr. Elswick seconded the motion that the above Resolution be adopted.

February 4, 2025

Upon roll call and the adoption of the Resolution, the vote was as follows:

Roll Call: Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mr. Feagin, Yes

ADOPTED this 6th day of May, 2025

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Treasurer/CFO

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting held on the 6th day of May, 2025, together with a true and correct extract from the minutes of said meeting to the extent pertinent to the consideration and adoption of said Resolution.

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Treasurer/CFO

25 – 88 Resolution to Approve of Settlement Agreement

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Mrs. Golden, to approve the submitted Settlement Agreement

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mr. Feagin, Yes

Superintendent's report:

April 29th, 2025 - Springmill STEM held a choir event at the Senior High Auditorium.

Outstanding performance by the students and the director. A tremendous audience of parents who were in attendance.

May 1st, 2025 - CTE Stakeholder meeting - Nikia Fletcher held a meeting with our Career Tech instructors and our community stakeholder leaders. The meeting was a presentation of our Career Tech programs and discussed various career pathways.

May 1st, 2025 - Our Middle School held a social for 8th-grade students. The 8th grade social sold 130 tickets for the event, resulting in tremendous participation by all staff and students in a wonderful event orchestrated by Ms. Glorioso.

May 3rd, 2025 - The Senior Prom was held at Kingwood Center. Approximately 240 tickets were sold for a great event put on by our senior class and their advisor. I would like to give thanks to the advisor, volunteers, and the senior high administration for organizing such a great event.

25 – 89 Resolution to approve Superintendent's Recommended Contract

A. Catalyst Life Services - Contract 25-26

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Mrs. Golden, to approve the contracts with Catalyst Services for the 2025-2026 school year (as needed).

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes; Mr. Feagin, Yes

25 - 90 Resolution to approve the Superintendent's recommended Personnel Actions

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Mrs. Golden, to approve the Superintendent's recommended Personnel actions.

A. Retirements

Name	Position	Building	Eff. Date	
Non-Certified				
Cornell, Sherri	Food Service - General Help	Spanish Immersion	6/1/25	
Adjusted retirement effective date upon request of the employee				
Brumenshenkel, Chris	Second Shift Custodian	District	6/1/25	

B. Resignations

Name	Position	Building	Eff. Date	
Certificated				
Kirschenbaum, Robert	Intervention Specialist	Senior High	5/16/25	
McLeod, Terri	Speech Pathologist	District	6/2/25	
Non-Certified				
Koehler, David	Bus Driver	Transportation	4/28/25	
Narcho, Jessica	Substitute Bus Aide	Transportation	4/15/25	
Adjusted resignation effective date upon request of the employee				
Buttil, Michael	Intervention Specialist	Middle School	8/9/25	

C. Appointments

Name	Position	Building	Eff. Date	
Certificated				
Non-Certificated				
Reedy, Lynde	Floating Custodian	District	5/5/25	$16.63/hour, Step 4

D. Change of Status

Name	Position	Building	Eff. Date	
Becker, Aimee	10-Month School Secretary	Sherman	8/04/2025	

E. Substitutes - 2024-2025

Bus Driver			
Beam, Mason			
Koehler, David			

F. Supplementals – 2024-2025

Name	Position	Building	Supplemental Amount
Stahl, Jennifer	Assistant Varsity Softball Coach	Senior High	$2,912.32 (8% pro-rated)
Special Education - hired before 1993; $1,784.50 (5%) per the MSEA negotiated agreement			
Fike, Jeanette	Winston, Nancy		

G. Supplementals – 2025-2026

Name	Position	Building	Supplemental Amount
Pennywitt, Kane	Head Girls Soccer Coach	Senior High	$4,368.48 (12%)

H. Non-Renewal of Limited Contracts at End of School Year 2024-2025

It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Mansfield City Schools Board of Education not renew the following limited contracts at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year.	
Evans, Sydney	Summer Home Services Tutor

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mr. Feagin, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes

Future Meetings: Regular Board of Education Meeting - May 20, 2025.

May 6, 2025

25 - 91 Resolution to Adjourn

Mr. Elswick moved, seconded by Mrs. Golden, to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Roll call: Mr. Elswick, Yes; Mr. Feagin, Yes; Mrs. Golden, Yes

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Chris Elswick, President Tammy Hamilla, Treasurer