

Board of Education Regular Meeting
February 17, 2025 6:00 PM
PANTHER ACADEMY
634 N. MULBERRY STREET
ELIZABETHTOWN, KY 42701

Attendance Taken at : 5:57 PM

Present Board Members:

Mr. Paul Godfrey

Mrs. Kimbley Iman

Ms. Heather Sharpensteen

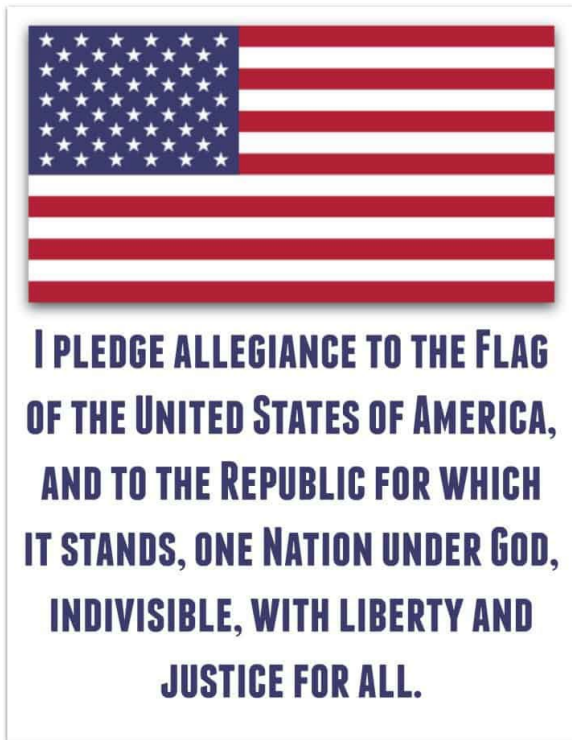
Mr. Guy Wallace

Mrs. Brandy Armstrong

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rationale:



III. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Order #13461 - Motion Passed: APPROVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA passed with a motion by Ms. Heather Sharpensteen and a second by Mr. Paul Godfrey.

Mr. Paul Godfrey Yes

Mrs. Kimbley Iman Yes

Ms. Heather Sharpensteen Yes

Mr. Guy Wallace Yes

Mrs. Brandy Armstrong Yes

IV. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND SPECIAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Discussion:

A. TKS ALL-STATE MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND

Rationale:

Cody Jenkins - 1st Chair Bass Clarinet (Concert Band)

Christopher Prince - 10th Chair Trombone (Concert Band)

Discussion:

Reginald Smith presented the TKS All-State Middle School Band students and gave a description of their accomplishments.

B. Students of the Month

Rationale:

Elizabethtown High School - Max Mittenzwey

TK Stone Middle School - Danica Ruth

Helmwood Heights - Meadow Martish

Morningside Elementary - Kynlee Howard

Panther Academy - Addison Gruber

Discussion:

Mr. Travis Thompson introduced Mr. Max Mittenzwey and gave a description of his accomplishments and achievements.

Ms. Hope Janes introduced Ms. Danica Ruth and gave a description of her accomplishments and achievements.

Ms. Kendra Adams introduced Ms. Meadow Martish and gave a description of her accomplishments and achievements.

MES and PA Students were not present at the Board Meeting.

C. KYA

Rationale:

Please congratulate the EHS Y club on another fantastic performance at this year's Kentucky Youth Assembly. Our students were able to accumulate multiple honors and awards both on an individual and group level.

- Our club received Premier Delegation status and won the Conference Life Award, which is given to only one delegation for creating a positive conference environment through the embodiment of the Y's core values.
- Chief of Staff Maddy Games and Secretary of the Cabinet Anna Sumrall, did a fantastic job as presiding officers and helped to run a successful conference.

- Kevin Tse was elected Commonwealth Speaker of the House, Vivian Fox was elected Lt. Governor, and Lex Bratcher was elected Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.
- Reese Moreman was recognized as EHS's Outstanding Delegate, Emma Robinson received an Outstanding Speaker Award, and Caleb Chambliss received the Outstanding Lobbyist Award.
- Congratulations to Emma Robinson, Gabby Johnson, Addison Janes, and Skyler Brandenburg; their bill about a 911 text service won the Outstanding Bill Award for the entire Commonwealth Assembly.
- Congratulations to Barrett Alicna, Elis Nepi, Harris Springsteen, and Caderyn Windmueller; their bill about converting KY to an at fault state won the Outstanding Bill Award for the entire Bluegrass Assembly.

Thanks again to all our students who attended this year's Kentucky Youth Assembly! Your dedication, hard work, and excellent behavior helped to make this year's conference a huge success!

Discussion:

Mr. Travis Thompson introduced the 2024-2025 KYA Students from Elizabethtown High School and gave a description of their accomplishments and Achievements at this year's Conference.

D. STAFF RECOGNITIONS FOR JANUARY 2024

Discussion:

Ms. Hindle gave a report of the January Employee Recognitions.

V. RECESS MEETING TO CONDUCT DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION MEETING

Order #13462 - Motion Passed: RECESS MEETING TO CONDUCT DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION MEETING passed with a motion by Mrs. Brandy Armstrong and a second by Mr. Paul Godfrey.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpensteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

A. Call to Order

Rationale:

The February 17, 2025 District Finance Corporation Meeting is Called to Order.

B. Consideration of a Resolution - Bond Sale

Order #13463 - Motion Passed: APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF THE ELIZABETHTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION REVENUE BOND SERIES 2025 AND ADVERTISING FOR BOND SALE AND ALL OTHER

DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOND ISSUE passed with a motion by Mr. Paul Godfrey and a second by Ms. Heather Sharpsteen.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpsteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

Rationale:

- Consider approval of a resolution authorizing issuance of the Elizabethtown Independent School District Finance Corporation Revenue Bonds Series 2025 and advertising for bond sale and all other documents in connection with the bond issue (**Attachment 3 - Bond Resolution and Attachment 4 - Minutes- School Finance Corporation**)

Discussion:

Chip Sutherland spoke about the preparation for the bond sale and more details on the item.

C. Adjournment

Order #13464 - Motion Passed: Adjournment passed with a motion by Mr. Paul Godfrey and a second by Mrs. Brandy Armstrong.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpsteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

D. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Discussion:

Mr. Travis Gay gave the attendance for January 2025.

VI. THE SUPERINTENDENT HAS INFORMED THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE THE LAST BOARD MEETING

VII. ATTENDANCE REPORT

VIII. INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS

Discussion:

Mr. Chase Goff gave a presentation of Mid Year Updates and 25/26 Planning and offered to answer questions. Ms. Iman asked how will the growth in scores be sustained. Mr. Goff explained that the standards are being organized and a system will be set in place so that it can be easily updated. A lot of this will come from the PLCs (Professional Learning Communities) which are currently being established on the school level.

IX. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Order #13465 - Motion Passed: APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA passed with a motion by Ms. Heather Sharpsteen and a second by Mr. Paul Godfrey.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpsteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

A. Acknowledge Receipt of the SBDM Written Reports

Rationale:

Attached are the SBDM Written Reports from Elizabethtown High School, Helmwood Heights Elementary, Morningside Elementary and Panther Academy for review.

TK Stone Middle School cancelled their December Meeting.

B. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

C. Approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Financial Report and Payment of Bills and Claims

D. APPROVE FUNDRAISING REQUESTS

E. APPROVE HARDSHIP APPLICATION #1

Rationale:

FOR BOARD REVIEW AND APPROVAL ONLY.

F. APPROVE HARDSHIP APPLICATION #2

Rationale:

FOR BOARD REVIEW AND APPROVAL ONLY.

G. APPROVE THE TENTATIVE ALLOCATION TO SCHOOLS FOR 2025-2026

Rationale:

FOR BOARD MEMBER VIEW ONLY.

H. APPROVE REVISED 2025-2026 CALENDAR

Rationale:

Board Members,

Due to inclement weather, Elizabethtown Independent Schools experienced multiple closures requiring adjustments to our academic calendar. Below is a summary of the missed instructional days and the corresponding changes:

- Missed Day: January 6th – Makeup Day: February 10th
- Missed Day: January 7th – Makeup Day: March 14th (This will be an Early Release Friday)
- Missed Day: January 10th – Makeup Day: May 23rd
- Missed Day: February 7th (This was an Early Release Friday) – Teacher workday adjusted, reducing the school year from 172 to 171 days
- Missed Day: February 11th – Calendar adjusted, reducing the school year from 171 to 170 days

Additional calendar updates:

- The last day of preschool will be May 20
- Closing Day will now be May 27

- May 28 will be designated as a Professional Learning/Planning Day for teachers
- The Elizabethtown High School graduation ceremony will be May 24 at 10:00 AM at the Elizabethtown High School Gymnasium.

These adjustments ensure we meet state instructional requirements while maintaining necessary planning and professional development time for our educators. Please let us know if you have any questions.

X. CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

XI. ACTION ITEMS

A. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT, RENT AND LEASE

Order #13466 - Motion Passed: Approve a resolution authorizing a contract, rent and lease with the Elizabethtown Independent School District Finance Corporation and approve all other documents in connection with the proposed Elizabethtown Independent School District Finance Corporation Series 2025 bond issue passed with a motion by Mr. Paul Godfrey and a second by Mrs. Brandy Armstrong.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpensteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

Rationale:

- Consider approval of a resolution authorizing a contract, rent and lease with the Elizabethtown Independent School District Finance Corporation and approve all other documents in connection with the proposed Elizabethtown Independent School District Finance Corporation Series 2025 bond issue (**Attachment 2 - Minutes- Board of Education**)

Discussion:

Mr. Chip Sutherland gave a description of the contract.

B. APPROVE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER CONTRACT WITH ALLIANCE

Order #13467 - Motion Passed: APPROVE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER CONTRACT WITH ALLIANCE passed with a motion by Ms. Heather Sharpensteen and a second by Mr. Paul Godfrey.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpensteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

C. APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR SPECIAL INSPECTIONS WITH SOLID GROUND CONSULTING ENGINEERING

Order #13468 - Motion Passed: APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR SPECIAL INSPECTIONS

WITH SOLID GROUND CONSULTING ENGINEERING passed with a motion by Mrs. Brandy Armstrong and a second by Ms. Heather Sharpsteen.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpsteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Discussion:

Mr. Mullins informed the board of the Construction Meeting that happened last week and some exciting developments coming for the TKS Renovation Project. Mr. Mullins wanted to thank Tim Vowels, Terry Broyles, and Martin Chesser for their hard work getting parking lots cleared and salted for students during this hard winter. He also thanked the Board for their approval of NTI Days in the event that school will be out due to weather or illness this winter/spring.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Order #13469 - Motion Passed: ADJOURN passed with a motion by Mr. Paul Godfrey and a second by Mrs. Brandy Armstrong.

Mr. Paul Godfrey	Yes
Mrs. Kimbley Iman	Yes
Ms. Heather Sharpsteen	Yes
Mr. Guy Wallace	Yes
Mrs. Brandy Armstrong	Yes

Guy Wallace
Chairman

Paul M. Mullins
Superintendent