

Covington Board of Education  
**Regular Business Meeting**

**MINUTES**

March 27, 2025

5:30 PM

Covington Board of Education  
25 E. 7th Street Covington, Kentucky 41011

The meeting will be streamed via video teleconferencing at:

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**I. Call to Order**

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair called the meeting to order.

**II. Roll Call**

**Attendance Taken at 5:32 PM:**

Present Board Members:

Ms. Hannah Edelen

Mr. Stephen Gastright

Mr. Kareem Simpson

Ms. Michelle Williams

Mr. Tom Haggard

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. Welcome and Board Chair Comments**

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**V. Public Input**

Ms. April Williams, who resides in Covington and a parent of a child in the district addressed the Board. Mr. Jerome Bowles, President of the Northern Kentucky NAACP, addressed the Board.



## **VI. Report of the Treasurer**

### **1. Authorizing the Issuance of its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A ~ Holmes High School Softball Field, Chapman Career and Technical Educational Center**

**Motion Passed 032725\_01:** The Covington Board of Education approves Authorizing the Issuance of its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A ~ Holmes High School Softball Field, Chapman Career and Technical Educational Center passed with a motion by Mr. Stephen Gastright and a second by Ms. Hannah Edelen.

Ms. Hannah Edelen	Yes
Mr. Stephen Gastright	Yes
Mr. Kareem Simpson	Yes
Michelle Williams	Yes
Mr. Tom Haggard	Yes

### **2. Capital Funds Request (second) for FY25**

**Motion Passed 032725\_02:** The Covington Board of Education approves the Capital Funds Request (second) for FY25 passed with a motion by Mr. Kareem Simpson and a second by Ms. Hannah Edelen.

Ms. Hannah Edelen	Yes
Mr. Stephen Gastright	No
Mr. Kareem Simpson	Yes
Michelle Williams	Yes
Mr. Tom Haggard	Yes

### **3. Warrant Expenditure Report**

### **4. Monthly Financials ~ February**

**Motion Passed 032725\_03:** The Covington Board of Education approves the Warrant Expenditure Report and the Monthly Financials from February passed with a motion by Ms. Hannah Edelen and a second by Mr. Stephen Gastright.

Ms. Hannah Edelen	Yes
Mr. Stephen Gastright	Yes
Mr. Kareem Simpson	Yes
Michelle Williams	Yes
Mr. Tom Haggard	Yes



## **VII. Consent Agenda**

**Motion Passed 032725\_04:** The Covington Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Hannah Edelen and a second by Mr. Stephen Gastright.

Ms. Hannah Edelen	Yes
Mr. Stephen Gastright	Yes
Mr. Kareem Simpson	Yes
Michelle Williams	Yes
Mr. Tom Haggard	Yes

**5. Approval of Minutes ~ February 27, 2025 Regular Business Meeting**

**6. Approval of Minutes ~ March 13, 2025 Regular Working Meeting**

**7. 2025-2026 Payroll Calendar**

**8. Leave of Absence Request ~ Employee 2724**

**9. Leave of Absence Request ~ Employee 6119**

**10. Leave of Absence Request ~ Employee 5326**

**11. Leave of Absence Request ~ Employee 6983**

**12. Fundraiser Request ~ Ninth District Scholastic Bookfair**

## **VIII. Individual Approval Agenda Items**

No individual approval items to present.

## **IX. Addendum Agenda (Action Possible)**

No addendum agenda items to present.

## **X. Report of the Attorney**

No report from the Attorney, Ms. Aaren Meehan.

## **XI. Board Member Discussion**

## **XII. Board Member Comments**

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair opened the floor for discussion and comments.

## **XIII. Upcoming Events**

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair announced the upcoming events.

## **XIV. Executive Session**

At 5:54 p.m., Ms. Aaren Meehan, Board Attorney requested to enter into a closed executive session, pursuant to KRS 61.810 1(b); Deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency, but only when publicity would be likely to affect the value of a specific piece of property to be acquired for public use or sold by a public agency; KRS 61.810 1(c); Discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency; KRS 1 (f); Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment,



discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee, member, or student without restricting that employee's, member's, or student's right to a public hearing if requested. This exception shall not be interpreted to permit discussion of general personnel matters in secret; with action possible.

Mr. Stephen Gastright, Board vice-chair made the first motion and Ms. Hannah Edelen, Board member made the second motion. Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair asked if all were in favor, all said aye, and no one opposed.

At 7:22 p.m., the Board made a consensus to end executive session. Mr. Stephen Gastright, Board vice-chair made the first motion and Mr. Kareem Simpson, Board member made the second motion. Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair asked if all were in favor, all said aye, and no one opposed. No action was taken during executive session.

#### **XV. Adjournment**

The Board made a consensus to adjourn at 7:22 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Tom Haggard, Board Chair

\_\_\_\_\_ Alvin Garrison, Superintendent

