

Ashland Board of Education

May 18, 2026 5:15 PM

Regular Meeting

1820 Hickman Street
Ashland, KY 41101

The Ashland Board of Education met in regular session on May 18, 2026, at the Regular Meeting 1820 Hickman Street, Ashland, KY 41101. Chairperson Ashley Layman called the meeting to order.

Attendance Taken at 5:15 PM:

Present Board Members:

Ms. Ashley Layman
Mr. Don Ashby
Mr. William Bradley
Mr. David Williams
Mr. Joseph Coleman

1. Call to Order

1.1. Pledge to the Flag

1.2. Discussion and possible approval of minutes from the regular meeting on April 27, 2026

Order #2750 - Motion Passed: Approval of minutes from the regular meeting on April 27, 2026 passed with a motion by Mr. William Bradley and a second by Mr. Joseph Coleman.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

2. Retiree Dinner

3. Communications

3.1. Head Start PIR Report

3.2. Construction Update

3.2.1. Discussion and possible approval of awarding the Contract for the 2026-2027 District Waste Disposal

Order #2751 - Motion Passed: Approval of awarding the Contract for the 2026-2027 District Waste Disposal passed with a motion by Mr. David Williams and a second by Mr. William Bradley.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

3.2.2. Discussion and possible approval of Change Order 2 for the Paul G. Blazer High School Building 1 Roof project (BG-25-355) to include a decrease of \$8,931.72 in the contract sum

Order #2752 - Motion Passed: Approval of Change Order 2 for the Paul G. Blazer High School Building 1 Roof project (BG-25-355) to include a decrease of \$8,931.72 in the contract sum passed with a motion by Mr. William Bradley and a second by Mr. David Williams.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

3.3. Public Comments

3.4. Discussion and possible approval of the Revised BG1 (BG 25-356) for the Poage Elementary School Addition & Renovation

Order #2753 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Revised BG1 (BG 25-356) for the Poage Elementary School Addition & Renovation passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. William Bradley.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

3.5. Discussion and possible approval of awarding the contract for Special Inspections for the Poage ES Addition & Renovation project

Motion Withdrawn: Approval of awarding the contract for Special Inspections for the Poage ES Addition & Renovation project was withdrawn by Mr. Don Ashby.

4. Treasurer's Action Items

4.1. Discussion and possible approval of the Treasurer's Report for April, 2026

Order #2754 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Treasurer's Report for April, 2026 passed with a motion by Mr. Joseph Coleman and a second by Mr. Don Ashby.

4 Yeas - 1 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	No
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

4.2. Discussion and possible approval of awarding the contract for financial audit services

Order #2755 - Motion Passed: Approval of awarding the contract for financial audit services to Maddox & Associates passed with a motion by Mr. William Bradley and a second by Mr. Don Ashby.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

4.3. Discussion and possible approval of the FY 2027 School Activity Fund Budgets

Order #2756 - Motion Passed: Approval of the FY 2027 School Activity Fund Budgets passed with a motion by Mr. William Bradley and a second by Mr. Joseph Coleman.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

4.4. Discussion and possible approval of the FY 2027 Insurance Policy Quote

Order #2757 - Motion Passed: Approval of the FY 2027 Insurance Policy Quote passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. William Bradley.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

4.5. Discussion and possible approval of allocating residual Capital Funds toward General Fund facility, KISTA and insurance expenses

Order #2758 - Motion Passed: Approval of allocating residual Capital Funds toward General Fund facility, KISTA and insurance expenses passed with a motion by Mr. Joseph Coleman and a second by Mr. Don Ashby.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

4.6. Discussion and possible approval of the FY 2027 Tentative Budget

Order #2759 - Motion Passed: Approval of the FY 2027 Tentative Budget passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. Joseph Coleman.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

5. Treasurer's Consent

5.1. Approve Bills for May 2026 as presented by Board Treasurer

5.2. Approve Head Start bills for May 2026 as presented by Board Treasurer

5.3. Approve salaries for May 2026 in accordance with the 2025-2026 salary schedule

5.4. Approve Head Start salaries for May 2026 in accordance with the 2025-2026 salary schedule

Order #2760 - Motion Passed: Approval of Treasurer's Consent passed with a motion by Mr. William Bradley and a second by Mr. Joseph Coleman.

4 Yeas - 1 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	No
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

6. New Business Action Items

6.1. Discussion and possible approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ashland Board of Education and Jobs for America's Graduates Program (JAG) for the 2026-2027 school year

Order #2761 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ashland Board of Education and Jobs for America's Graduates Program (JAG) for the 2026-2027 school year passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. William Bradley.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

6.2. Discussion and possible approval of the Contract between Pro-Team Foodservice Advisors and the Ashland Board of Education for school menu solutions, menu software subscription and support services for USDA Meal Programs Renewal pending Board Attorney approval

Order #2762 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Contract between Pro-Team Foodservice Advisors and the Ashland Board of Education for school menu solutions, menu software subscription and support services for USDA Meal Programs Renewal pending Board Attorney approval passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. William Bradley.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

6.3. Discussion and possible approval of the Ashland Head Start 2026-2027 Grant Application and Budget

Order #2763 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Ashland Head Start 2026-2027 Grant Application and Budget passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. Joseph Coleman.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

7. New Business Consent**7.1. Surplus**

Surplus Items			
May 18, 2026			
Item	Serial #	Control #	Disposal/Location Date
BrightLink 695Wi Projector	X28C7503716	16534	Blazer / 5-7-2026

Order #2764 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. William Bradley.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

8. Personnel Action**8.1. Discussion and possible approval of the addition of Instructional Coach position for the 2026-2027 school year**

Order #2765 - Motion Passed: Approval of the addition of Instructional Coach position for the 2026-2027 school year passed with a motion by Mr. William Bradley and a second by Mr. David Williams.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes

9. Personnel for Board Information Only in Accordance with KRS 160.390**Personnel Information**

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EMPLOYED

First	Last	Site/School	Position	Date
Jerry	Craft, Jr.	Transportation	Bus Driver	5/12/2026
Ray	Hutchinson	Ashland Middle School	Custodian	7/1/2026
Michael	Spears	Blazer High School	Custodian	4/22/2026

Resignation / Termination / Retirement / Transfer / Increase / Decrease

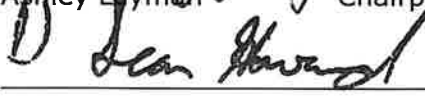
First	Last	Site/School	Title	Date
Dr. Dana	Applegate	Ashland Middle to Crabbe Elementary	Principal / Transfer	7/1/2026
Lexie	Boyd	Ashland Middle to Charles Russell	Special Education Teacher / Transfer	7/1/2026
Mark	Brown	Ashland Middle School	Math Teacher / Resignation	5/27/2026
Tonya	Campbell	District-Wide	Special Education (Visual Impairment) Teacher	7/1/2026
Gretchen	Coburn	Crabbe Elementary to Blazer High School	Social Studies Teacher / Transfer	7/1/2026
Terri	Hammond	Central Office	District Receptionist / Retirement	6/30/2026
Gail	Jenkins	Head Start	Head Start / Resignation	6/30/2026
Paige	Kennedy	Blazer High School	Assistant Cheer Coach / Resignation	4/28/2026
Shalyn	Miller-Young	Ashland Middle to Blazer High School	Special Education Teacher / Transfer	7/1/2026
Sheena	Mosley	Head Start	Instructional Assistant II / Retirement	5/4/2026
Amber	Patrick-Mauk	Poage Elementary to Ashland Middle	Special Education Teacher / Transfer	7/1/2026
Carolyn	Quillen	Crabbe Elementary	Food Service Worker / Retirement	6/30/2026
Jack	Stafford	Ashland Middle School	Head Custodian / Retirement	6/30/2026
Heather	Swartz	Ashland Middle School	IA II to Special Education Teacher / Transfer	7/1/2026
Dr. Shawn	Thornbury	Ashland Alternative / Food Service	Principal / Director / Retirement	6/30/2026

10. Adjourn

Order #2766 - Motion Passed: Adjournment passed with a motion by Mr. Don Ashby and a second by Mr. William Bradley.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Ms. Ashley Layman	Yes
Mr. Don Ashby	Yes
Mr. William Bradley	Yes
Mr. David Williams	Yes
Mr. Joseph Coleman	Yes


 Ashley Layman Chairperson

 D. Sean Howard Superintendent