

**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES FROM THE MEETING
Ludlow, Kentucky, September 17, 2026**

The Ludlow Independent Board of Education met at the Central Office - 525 Elm Street, Ludlow, KY 41016 at 6:30 PM ET (5:30 CT), on September 17, 2026, with the following members present:

Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Wesley Dorger
Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood
Mrs. Shelly Mays
Ms. Cindy Powell
Mrs. Kamryn Reed

1. Call to Order

1.1. Call to Order by Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood

Rationale:

Board President, Mrs. Hazlewood, will call the meeting to order.

Discussion:

Others Present: Dr. Jason Steffen, Superintendent; Tonya Brummer, Director of Student Services and Board Secretary; Vikki Wofford, Director of Finance; Christy Ensell, Ludlow High School Principal; Andrea Krumpelman, Mary A. Goetz Elementary Principal; Kristina Bell, Elementary Teacher; Stephanie Wallace, Ludlow Learning Center Preschool Teacher; Bill Kenney, LHS Parent; Scott Meyer, Mary A. Goetz Elementary Parent

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Wesley Dorger

Rationale:

Mr. Dorger will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Agenda

Rationale:

It is recommended that the board approve the Agenda.

Order #33 - Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda as presented passed with a motion by Ms. Cindy Powell and a second by Mrs. Shelly Mays.

Mr. Wesley Dorger	Yes
Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood	Yes
Mrs. Shelly Mays	Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell	Yes
Mrs. Kamryn Reed	Yes

3. Recognition and Information Agenda

Rationale:

These items are presented for recognition and information.

3.1. Monthly Reports

Rationale:

These items are presented for information.

3.2. Personnel

Rationale:

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 160.390, personnel changes are reported to the Board of Education by the superintendent of schools.

3.3. Spotlight Items

Rationale:

The September Panther of the Month is Stephanie Wallace. For the past two years, Mrs. Wallace has been the lead teacher for our Ludlow Learning Center that provides wraparound childcare for our preschool students. This past spring, the Ludlow Learning Center was awarded a Five-Star Rating, which is the high rating a center can earn for all aspects of childcare. This rating is a reflection of all of the hard work and dedication of Stephanie Wallace for our students.

September Newsletter – Together We Prowl

3.4. Elementary Monthly Report

Rationale:

This item is presented for information purposes.

3.5. High School Monthly Report

Rationale:

This item is presented for information purposes.

3.6. Superintendent Report

Rationale:

Jason Steffen will update the board on previous month events and upcoming district planning.

3.7. Monthly Attendance Report

Rationale:

This item is presented for information purposes.

4. Consent Agenda

Rationale:

It is recommended that the board approve the Consent Agenda.

Order #34 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Consent Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Mrs. Kamryn Reed and a second by Mr. Wesley Dorger.

Mr. Wesley Dorger	Yes
Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood	Yes
Mrs. Shelly Mays	Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell	Yes
Mrs. Kamryn Reed	Yes

4.1. Approval of Minutes

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the August 2026 meeting.

4.2. Monthly Bills

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board approve the monthly bills.

4.3. Fundraising Requests

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board approve the fundraising requests.

4.4. Substitute Teacher Approval

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board approve the following Substitute Teacher application:
Kenton Baer

5. Discussion and Action Agenda

5.1. Working Budget 2026 - 2027

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board approve the 2026-2027 Working Budget.

Order #35 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Working Budget for the 2026-2027 school year passed with a motion by Mrs. Shelly Mays and a second by Ms. Cindy Powell.

Mr. Wesley Dorger	Yes
Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood	Yes
Mrs. Shelly Mays	Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell	Yes
Mrs. Kamryn Reed	Yes

5.2. Resolution Authorizing Litigation Against Social Media Companies

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board approve the Resolution Authorizing Litigation Against Social Media Companies.

Order #36 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Resolution Authorizing Litigation Against Social Media Companies passed with a motion by Ms. Cindy Powell and a second by Mr. Wesley Dorger.

Mr. Wesley Dorger	Yes
Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood	Yes
Mrs. Shelly Mays	Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell	Yes
Mrs. Kamryn Reed	Yes

5.3. Multi-District Litigation (MDL) Contingency Fee Agreement Mass Tort and Multi-District Litigation (MDL) Contingency Fee Agreement

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board approve the Multi-District Litigation Contingency Fee Agreement Mass Tort and Multi-District Litigation Contingency Fee Agreement.

Order #37 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Multi-District Litigation Contingency Fee Agreement Mass Tort and Multi-District Litigation Contingency Fee Agreement passed with a motion by Mrs. Kamryn Reed and a second by Mrs. Shelly Mays.

Mr. Wesley Dorger	Yes
Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood	Yes
Mrs. Shelly Mays	Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell	Yes
Mrs. Kamryn Reed	Yes

6. Other Business

Rationale:

Is there any other business to be brought before the board?

6.1. Board

Discussion:

Mr. Dorger shared a community member's positive comment about receiving the Connections magazine and reading about the wonderful things happening in our district. The citizen was very complimentary of our work for students and families.

6.2. Faculty & Staff

6.3. Public

Discussion:

An elementary parent brought up concerns about procedures during afternoon dismissal on Adela Ave.

7. Adjourn

Rationale:

It is recommended that the Board adjourn the meeting.

Order #38 - Motion Passed: Approval to adjourn the Board meeting at 7:36 PM passed with a motion by Ms. Cindy Powell and a second by Mrs. Kamryn Reed.

Mr. Wesley Dorger Yes

Mrs. Melanie Hazlewood Yes

Mrs. Shelly Mays Yes

Ms. Cindy Powell Yes

Mrs. Kamryn Reed Yes

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY