

# Board of Education Meeting

Big Walnut District Office  
Monday, October 21, 2024  
6:30pm - 8:30pm

## 1 Mission

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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The mission of the Big Walnut Local Schools is to inspire and guide each student to his or her maximum potential.

## 2 President

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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- Call to Order
- Moment of Silence for Personal Reflection
- Pledge of Allegiance

## 3 Roll Call

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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## 4 Adopt Agenda

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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It is recommended the Board approve the October 21, 2024, agenda as presented.

## 5 Minutes

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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It is recommended the Board approve the minutes of the September 16, 2024, regularly scheduled meeting.

### **Attachments:**

## 6 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Ryan McLane, Superintendent

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## 7 Treasurer's Report

Mr. Scott Gooding, Interim Treasurer

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- Monthly Financial Update
- Public Records Request Update

- Five Year Forecast (FY25 - FY29)

**Attachments:**

[FY25 BWLS Financial Report File September 1 .pdf](#)

## 8 Public Participation

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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This is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not considered a public community meeting. This is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. (Please reference criteria for Public Participation, which is attached to the agenda.)

## 9 Business Items

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### 9.1 .

Scott Gooding, Interim Treasurer

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It is recommended the Board approve the attached Then and Now.

**Attachments:**

[Then Now.pdf](#)

### 9.2 .

Mr. Scott Gooding, Interim Treasurer

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It is recommended the Board approve the Amended Appropriations for the fiscal year 2025 at fund level in accordance with Section 5705.38 and 5705.39 ORC.

- Fund 018 + \$2,025.00 (Steve Butler Memorial Contributions)

### 9.3 .

Mr. Scott Gooding, Interim Treasurer

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It is recommended the Board approve the Resolution Authorizing META (Metropolitan Educational Technology Association, acting jointly as a member of the Ohio School Consortium ("Consortium")), to issue a request for proposal for the purchase of competitive retail electric service from the lowest and best bidder submitted to the consortium and authorizing the Big Walnut Board of Education to purchase competitive retail electric service from such bidder.

**Attachments:**

[META - Board Resolution- Electric RFP 2025 - FINAL -9-26-2024 19550239.1 .docx](#)

### 9.4 .

Mr. Ryan McLane, Superintendent

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It is recommended the Board approve the Resolution selecting Schorr Architects, Inc. and authorizing

the negotiation and execution of an agreement for the 70 Harrison Street facility assessment project.

**Attachments:**

[Big Walnut LSD - 70 Harrison Street Facility Assessment -  
\\_Resolution selecting the architect and approving agreement 10.3.24 19480710.2 2 .docx  
Schorr Owner Consultant.pdf](#)

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Mr. Ryan McLane, Superintendent

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It is recommended the board approve the Resolution selecting Garman Miller & Associations, Inc. as the design professional and authorizing the negotiation and execution of an agreement for the backup generator General Rosecrans Elementary project.

**Attachments:**

[Big Walnut LSD - Backup Generator at Rosecrans ES -  
\\_Resolution selecting the architect and approving agreement 9.17.24 19475657.1 2 .docx  
Big Walnut LSD - Backup Generator at Rosecrans ES - B104-  
2017 Garmann Miller 9.17.24 3 .pdf](#)

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Mr. Ryan McLane, Superintendent

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It is recommended the Board approve the Application for Use of School Facilities.

**Attachments:**

[2024 Draft APPLICATION FOR USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES Updated 9 17 2024 .pdf](#)

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Mr. Scott Gooding, Interim Treasurer

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It is recommended the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Northstar Residential Development, LLC, and Big Walnut Local School District Board of Education.

**Attachments:**

[MOU Northstar.pdf](#)

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Mr. Scott Gooding, Interim Treasurer

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It is recommended the board approve the Resolution approving certain real property tax exemptions in connection with a project to be located within the City of Sunbury, Ohio Community Reinvestment Area.

**Attachments:**

[Resolution Property Tax.pdf](#)

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Mr. Ryan McLane, Superintendent

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It is recommended the Board approve the following field trip:

- BWHS Girls Wrestling, Women of Ironman Girls Wrestling Tournament, Cuyahoga Falls, OH, December 7-8, 2024
- BWHS Girls Wrestling, Findlay Invitational Girls Wrestling Tournament, Findlay, OH, December 21-22, 2024
- BWHS Boys Wrestling, GMVCA Wrestling Tournament, Dayton, OH, December 27-28, 2024

**Attachments:**

[DOC669.pdf](#)

9.10 .

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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It is recommended the Board accept the following donations:

\$2,025 donated to BWLSD, donations for Steve Butler's Memorial Fund to purchase 2 picnic tables for SOU (\$50 donated by Linda Ausman, \$50 Matthew & Heather McCoy, \$25 Jennifer Jamison, \$50 Kirk & Eugenia Anderson, \$50 Scott & Kelly Elisar, \$50 Gregory & Susan Monfort, \$100 Mary & Christopher Butler, \$100 Barry & Rhonda Corven, \$50 Richard & Nancy McCracken-Bennett, \$100 Mark & Mary Butler, \$100 Laura Laidley, \$1,200 Linda Snouffer, \$100 Matthew Judy)

\$2,500 donated by Veterans of Foreign Wars of Ohio, donated to Big Walnut Middle School

\$100 donated by SEL, donated to BWE

\$500 donated by Holmes Lumber, donated to BWHS FLIGHT Program

**Attachments:**

[Flight Donation.pdf](#)

9.11 .

It is recommended that the Board reaffirm the action from the January 4, 2024 organizational meeting that the treasurer is the authorized representative of the Board of Education and each individual member of the Board as their designee for required public records training to be completed once per term of office as established by O.R.C. 109.43; and

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education also reaffirms its commitment to its own policy 8310 – Public Records. The Board of Education is responsible for maintaining the public records of this District and to make such records available to residents of Ohio for inspection and reproduction in strict adherence to the State's Public Records Act; and

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education officially designates the Treasurer as the records custodian and the District's Records Officer as those terms are used in Board Policy 8310.

## 10 Human Resources

Mr. Ryan McLane, Superintendent

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All HR items are pending receipt of successful background checks, verification of experience, and completion of all necessary documentation.

## 10.1 .

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It is recommended the Board accept the following resignations:

- Mendi Priestas, PRE Kindergarten Teacher, at the end of the 2024/2025 school year, due to retirement
- Barbara Porter, BWHS Art Teacher, at the end of the 2024/2025 school year, due to retirement
- Karen Snyder, PRE 3rd Grade Teacher, at the end of the 2024/2025 school year, due to retirement
- Patricia Thompson, BWMS Social Studies Teacher, at the end of the 2024/2025 school year, due to retirement
- Carrie Vitale, GRE Teaching Assistant, at the end of the day on October 7, 2024
- Mary Cooper, BWHS first shift Custodian, effective at the end of the day on September 30, 2024, due to the approval of SERS benefits
- Joe Mudd, ELC first shift Custodian, effective at the end of the day on October 31, 2024

## 10.2 .

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It is recommended the Board approve a one-year certified contract, BA step 0, through the remainder of the assignment for the following, effective November 5, 2024:

- Kathleen McGuff, BWIS Intervention Specialist
- Parker Novak, BWIS Grade 4
- Tyler Shuster, BWIS Intervention Specialist

## 10.3 .

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It is recommended the Board approve the following contract for the balance of the 2024/2025 school year the expiration of a 90-day probationary contract:

- Brett Albright, BWIS 2nd shift Custodian

## 10.4 .

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It is recommended the Board approve the following 90-day contract for the following classified employees:

- Jessica Diller, Bus Driver, step 0, effective October 7, 2024
- David Beddow, full-time District Substitute Custodian, step 1, effective October 21, 2024

## 10.5 .

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It is recommended the Board approve a one-year contract for the following classified staff:

- Stacia Robbins, GRE Teaching Assistant, step 0, effective November 4, 2024

- Melissa Will, BWMS Teaching Assistant, step 0, effective October 7, 2024
- Karissa McNamee, BWIS Teaching Assistant, step 0, effective September 23, 2024
- Trista White, ELC Preschool Teaching Assistant, step 3, effective September 30, 2024

## 10.6 .

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It is recommended the Board approve the following Eagle Extension Session 1 stipends, \$240 each:

- Angela Keller - Makerspace - GRE
- Courtney Carpenter - Art in the Dark - GRE
- Jody Grieger - Games Galore - GRE
- Brittany Byahatti - Music Makers - BWE
- Brittany Byahatti - Music Play - BWE
- Mary Wolf - Lego Club - BWE
- Mary Wolf - Makerspace - BWE
- Nicole Parrish - Spanish - PRE
- Nicole Parrish - Euchre Club - BWHS
- Mike Wion - Chess - BWMS
- Jeff VanArsdale - Olympic Games - SOU

## 10.7 .

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It is recommended the Board approve the following revisions:

- Don Bellville, Bus Driver, 5 hours/day, revise effective date from September 17 to October 9, 2024

## 10.8 .

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Mr. Ryan McLane, Superintendent

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It is recommended the Board approve the attached stipends for the work completed during the 2024/2025 school year.

**Attachments:**

[Board Stipend Approval-24.25.pdf](#)

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It is recommended the Board approve the following extended days for the 2024/2025 school year:

- Meghan Paul, BWHS Guidance Counselor, up to 20 extended days

## 10.10 .

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It is recommended the Board approve the following co-curricular supplemental contracts, effective for the 2024/2025 school year:

- Jamie Roan, PAC, SOU, group 7 step 7
- Sarah Nealon, PAC, BWE, group 7 step 2
- Sarah Nealon, PAC, PRE, group 7 step 2

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It is recommended the Board approve the attached supplemental contracts for the 2024/2025 winter athletics:

**Attachments:**

[Board - Winter Athletics 24.25.pdf](#)

## 10.12 .

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It is recommended the Board approve the following leave of absence for the 2024/2025 school year:  
- Nicole Leinweber, Gifted Intervention Specialist, due to STRS benefit approval

## 11 Scheduling of Next Board Meeting

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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November 18, 2024  
6:30 pm  
District Administrative Office

## 12 Executive Session

Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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### 12.1 .

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It is recommended the Board enter Executive Session as permitted by ORC Section 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or official.

### 12.2 .

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It is recommended the Board enter Executive Session as permitted by ORC Section 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or official.

### 12.3 .

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It is recommended the Board enter Executive Session as permitted by ORC Section 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or official.

## Adjourn

13 Mr. Steve Fujii, Board President

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It is recommended the Board exit Executive Session and the meeting adjourns.