

Southern Local Board of Education

Comprehensive Board Report and Action Record

Regular Meeting - July 14, 2026 - 6:00 pm - High School Media Center

This report presents the July 14, 2026 meeting record in the comprehensive board-report format, with each formal action shown in a grid and individual votes listed in the far-right column.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm in the High School Media Center.
- Roll call recorded Jeremiah Cole and Jean Pastore as absent; Frank Shagnot, Liz Weston, and Scott Hart as present.

II. Adoption of Minutes

- Action taken to waive the reading of the minutes.
- Moved by Frank Shagnot; seconded by Liz Weston.
- Vote recorded: Cole - Absent; Pastore - Absent; Shagnot - Yes; Weston - Yes; Hart - Yes.

III. Reception of Visitors

- Visitor participation was governed by Board of Education Policy 0169.1, including a five-minute limit per speaker and a thirty-minute total limit unless extended by board vote.
- Ryan Smith
- Charles L. Puckett
- Warren Scott, JCESC
- Mike Rowe
- Julie Utt
- Diane Meister
- Regina Utt
- Pastor Rodney A. Ohler
- Ted Mitchell
- Antonio M. Pastore
- Jeff Haugh

IV. Treasurer's Report

- Financial report presented for approval of bills, transfers, and/or advances as submitted by the Treasurer.
- Moved by Liz Weston; seconded by Frank Shagnot.
- Vote recorded: Cole - Absent; Pastore - Absent; Shagnot - Yes; Weston - Yes; Hart - Yes.

V. Reports and Updates

- Career Center Report - referenced on the agenda.
- Building Reports

Mrs. Sigler- Spoke about getting integrated to the school and community and how helpful everyone is.

Mr. Puckett- Flat roof project is 95% complete. Quality control and inspectors from Duralast will finalize inspection and finalize the roof project. The modular old Administrative Building will be removed this upcoming weekend. Mr. Puckett also spoke of eliminating accessibility to the school during the paving process to keep the area pristine for the new blacktop. The concession stand at the stadium had its roof replaced. Mr. Shagnot suggested keeping all heavy equipment off the area and students parking away during the process. The elementary playground will be changed to the correct color by the end of July.

Mr. Shansky-Summer is going well with all sports. Football participation is increasing, he is meeting with the Athletic boosters and planning Meet the Indians. Volleyball finished tournament and numbers are up. All sports are practicing, Jr High Football, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Jr. High Basketball. Mr. Shansky thank the custodians for all their work on the gym. The new helmets are all in.

Mr. Haugh -Keeping up with new hire paperwork and background checks.

VI. Superintendent's Report

- Formal recommendations and actions are recorded below.

VII. Formal Actions and Recorded Votes

In the far-right Outcome column, each entry lists the action result and each board member's individual vote.

Item	Recommendation / Action	Motion	Outcome (with individual votes)
26-164	Approve the following substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year: Diane Callehan - bus driver; Tasha Patterson - bus driver; Jessica Thorne - bus driver; Tara Javens - bus driver.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-165	Approve then and now purchase orders as approved by the Treasurer (Attachment A).	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-166	Approve Sara Harris as Junior High Cheerleading Coach for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-167	Approve a one-year teaching contract for Kristina Napierkowski for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-168	Approve a stipend for Christina Dentz, Occupational Therapist, for additional duties for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-169	Approve a 3% raise for Morgan Pallo and Christina Dentz to match the administrative salary schedule.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-170	Approve a Shale supplemental for Heidi McIntosh for Junior High Nursing duties for the 2026-2027 school year. Discussion/Note: Mrs. Weston asked the amount of time spent at Shale and Mr. Sabbato stated he did not know the exact time.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-171	Approve a phone stipend and Shale stipend for Mary Alice Sigler for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-172	Approve a one-year contract renewal with Nutrition Inc. Discussion/Note: Mr. Hart discussed we will need to table this because we do not have a quorum arm for this vote as one member must abstain.	Motion to Table: Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-173	Approve the agreement with Wills Mobility & Vision Services effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-174	Approve continued membership in the Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy. Discussion/Note: Mrs. Weston asked what this agency does. Mr. Sabbato explain that they advocate for smaller districts in the state of Ohio	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-175	Approve McBane Financial Services for cyber liability coverage. Discussion/Note: Mr. Sabbato spoke about the need for cyber insurance and what protection it offers to the district.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-176	Approve the staffing agreement with JCESC for a Public Relations Coordinator. Discussion/Note: Mrs. Weston asked what this did for the school and Mrs. Sigler explained that this is for media services for the district.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-177	Approve the contract with the County Board of Developmental Disabilities for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-178	Approve the updated job descriptions for the administrative staff (Attachment B). Discussion/Note: Mr. Sabbato explained that this was previously approved at the previous May board meeting and needed to be ta	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-179	Vote to table the previously approved three-year contract for Carter Hill, effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2029. Discussion/Note: Mr. Sabbato explained that this item had previously been approved at the May 2026 meeting	Moved: Frank Chagnon Second: Liz Weston	Approved - Item Tabled Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastor: Absent; Chagnon: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes

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26-180	Approve a three-year contract for Jeff Haugh as school security officer. Discussion/Note: Mr. Hart spoke that Mr. Haugh does a great job for Southern Local. Mr. Sabbato added that Mr. Haugh comes in over the summer to accommodate our employers needs for background checks.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-181	Approve the following Shale IWHIP stipends: Matt Gates, John Wright, Nick Woods, Logan Krulik, Bill Watson, Carter Hill, and Dennis Bowers.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-182	Approve a Shale stipend for Matt Gates for maintenance of the Hutson Building for 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. Discussion/Note: Mr. Gates does all the building maintenance and brings students to learn.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-183	Approve the Indian Academy 2026-2027 calendar (Attachment C).	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-184	Approve the agreement with East Liverpool City Hospital to provide physical therapy services for the 2026-2027 school year. Discussion/Note: Tabled because Mrs. Weston is employed by City Hospital and must abstain.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved-Item Tabled Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-185	Approve the AI usage policy per the Ohio State Auditor mandate. Discussion/Note: Mrs. Sigler explained that this policy needs to be approved to comply with Ohio Auditor requirements.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-186	Enter executive session for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes, specifically employment. Discussion/Note: Returned at 8:19 pm. Roll call upon return: Cole - Absent; Pastore - Absent; Shagnot - Yes; Weston - Yes; Hart - Yes.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved - Executive Session Entered Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Absent; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes

VIII. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.
- Moved by Frank Shagnot; seconded by Liz Weston.
- Vote recorded: Cole - Absent; Pastore - Absent; Shagnot - Yes; Weston - Yes; Hart - Yes.
- Next regular meeting: August 11, 2026.