

# Southern Local Board of Education

## Board Of Education Meeting Notes

Regular Meeting - June 9, 2026 - 6:30 pm - High School Media Center

Meeting Overview	Meeting Overview
Call to Order	6:30 pm
Board Members Present	Jean Pastore, Frank Shagnot, Liz Weston, Scott Hart
Board Member Absent	Jeremiah Cole
Adjournment	10:48 pm
Next Regular Meeting	July 14, 2026 at 6:00 pm

### I. Call to Order and Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the High School Media Center.
- Roll call recorded Jean Pastore, Frank Shagnot, Liz Weston, and Scott Hart as present. Jeremiah Cole was absent.
- Initial status recorded in the source minutes: Cole - Absent; Pastore - Yes; Shagnot - Yes; Weston - Yes; Hart - Yes.

### II. Adoption of Minutes

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

### III. Reception of Visitors

• Visitor participation was governed by Board of Education Policy 0169.1, including the requirement to refrain from using specific names other than the speaker, a five-minute limit per speaker, and a thirty-minute total limit unless extended by board vote.

- Regina Utt
- Warren Scott, JCESC
- Marjorie Hiler
- Steph Sevek
- Kathy Randolph
- Jeff Haugh
- Melanie Glosser
- Ryan Glosser
- Ryan Smith
- Robert Marra
- Natasha Grim
- Amanda Wroblewski
- Charlie Puckett
- Kelly Malone
- Eric Sampson
- Antonio M. Pastore
- Ted Mitchell
- Michael Skrinjar
- James Malone
- Beth Roberts

### Junior High Science Field Trips

- Mrs. Wroblewski highlighted the successes of junior high science students in May. On May 9, students visited the Challenger Learning Center at Lilly University, where they participated in hands-on science activities, including building rockets under specific constraints and completing a Mission to Mars simulation that emphasized teamwork and communication. The program aligned well with science standards.

- On May 13, sixth-grade students visited Highland Town Wildlife Area and rotated through stations covering fish identification, forestry, firearms safety, archery, and wildlife management. The program was provided at no cost to the school and was described as a highly valuable learning opportunity.

### **Bake for Good Program**

- Mrs. Wroblewski also detailed the Bake for Good initiative, a cross-curricular program involving language arts, math, and science. Sixth-grade students received baking kits and learned about yeast and microbes, fractions, and letter writing while preparing bread to share with someone special.

- The program included a live virtual session with King Arthur staff and emphasized community sharing and hands-on learning. The program was well received and created meaningful experiences for both students and recipients.

### **Facilities Update - Charlie Puckett**

- Charlie Puckett reported that playground construction was approximately 75% complete. Base finishing and top coat installation were scheduled to be completed soon, and roof work was expected to begin the following week.

- Equipment deliveries and custodial cleaning were also progressing well as the district continued summer facilities work.

### **Transportation - Rob Marra**

- Rob Marra reported progress in the transportation department, including three new driver candidates expected to begin training soon. The goal is to have all routes filled by September.

- The district also discussed plans to purchase an additional van to support small-group transportation needs.

### **Indian Academy Report - Eric Sampson**

- Eric Sampson reported that the Indian Academy served 120 students throughout the year, helping retain many students who may otherwise have left the district for online school options.

- The Indian Academy graduated 23 seniors and continues to update policies, explore curriculum options, and improve its webpage to better serve students and families.

## **IV. Treasurer's Report**

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

## **V. Reports and Updates**

- Career Center Report - referenced on the handout available at the table.
- Athletics- Mr. Shansky reported Football is having summer lifting and a Jr. High football camp, The athletic bags came and it has been a great fundraiser. The community resource center from East Liverpool is going to help feed the football team. Physicals are done for the summer and are bringing back our former trainer. The district recognized Maddie Jones for her track career and placing 8<sup>th</sup> in the State of Ohio. Track coaches spoke about Maddie and how her work ethic has led to her success.
- Superintendent's Report - formal recommendations and related actions are summarized in the table below.

## VI. Formal Actions and Recorded Votes

In the far-right Outcome column, each entry lists the action result and the vote of each board member. The sequence and wording below preserve notable numbering or wording issues from the source minutes where relevant.

Item	Recommendation / Action	Motion	Outcome (with individual votes)
26-124	Approve a three-year contract for Mary Alice Sigler as Superintendent.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-125	Approve an interim superintendent contract for July for Mary Alice Sigler. <b>Discussion:</b> The Treasurer spoke to why the Interim contract is need for Mrs. Sigler for July, as the school needs an active Superintendent to operate and Mr. Cunninham resignation was for the end of June.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-126	Approve the following substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year: Diane Callehan - bus driver; Tasha Patterson - bus driver; Jessica Thorne - bus driver; Christopher Shaffer - cafeteria worker, custodian, summer worker; Virginia Daniels - custodian and cafeteria, summer worker; Chelsey White - custodian, summer worker.  .; Question was asked who makes the recommendation for certain items. The Treasurer advised that any recommendation is made by the Superintendent unless the Treasurer reads it.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-127	Approve then and now purchase orders as approved by the Treasurer (Attachment A).	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-128	Approve the following staff members for summer school: Shannon Rodgers - 6-8 ELA; Michele Skinner - 6-8 Math; Amanda Wroblewski - 6-8 Science; Gerard Grimm - 9-12 ELA; Zach Almy - Algebra/Geometry; Dustin Brown - Physical Science/Biology; Jessica Coleman - Intervention Specialist; Kenadee Pipkins - Guidance.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-129	Approve the employment separation agreement with Brett Hughes. <b>Discussion:</b> Question was asked what that separation agreement means and Mr. Hart advised that the board agreed to an agreement with Mr. Hughes for his resignation.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Scott Hart	Approved Vote: Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-130	Approve the Participation Agreement with SORSA.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-131	Approve the Affiliation Agreement with Travco Behavioral Health for clinical services. <b>Discussion:</b> Question was asked what this was for. This contract was for behavioral related services to special education students	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-132	Approve the agreement with the Columbiana County Educational Service Center for Title I staffing at St. Paul's non-public school. <b>Discussion:</b> This is an agreement for the federal fund money to that come to the home district and then are dispersed to the district the student attends via open enrollment	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Jean Pastore	Approved Vote: Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-133	Approve the service agreement with the Columbiana County Educational Service Center for services. <b>Discussion:</b> This is update of costs for services with CCESC.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-134	Approve the Service Agreement with Jefferson County Educational Service Center for Virtual Classroom (Gradebook). <b>Discussion:</b> Gradebook for VLA course offered by Southern Loca.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Jean Pastore	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-135	Approve the retirement of Ron Infanti effective June 30, 2026. Ron has been a teacher at Southern Local for thirty-seven years. The Board wished him well in his future endeavors.	Moved: Scott Hart Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-136	Approve the resignation of Dennis Bowers as varsity head wrestling coach effective May 28, 2026.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-137	Approve a \$100.00 bonus for the following cafeteria workers for the FY27 school year: Chastity Sloan, Carla Phenicie, Ernanie Black, Brittany Homewood, Lindsay Ingledue, Julie Gates, Elizabeth Roberts, Diane Callehan, Chelsey White, and Trista Furbee. <b>Discussion:</b> Question was asked if that was all of the cafeteria workers. Answer was yes the list was delivered by the Superintendent secretary.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Jean Pastore	Approved Vote: Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-138	Approve Karleigh Davis as Athletic Trainer beginning July 1, 2026.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-139	Approve Brian Spahlinger as an assistant football coach for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Hart: Yes

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26-140	Approve Dan Spencer as an assistant football coach for the 2026-2027 school year. <u>Discussion:</u> Question was asked if the coaches have all their licensure and treasurer answered that they are all checked before being placed on the agenda.	Moved: Scott Hart Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-141	Approve Cameren Grodhaus as an assistant football coach for the 2026-2027 school year. <u>Discussion:</u> Questions was asked if Mr. Grodhaus would be back in time and answer was yes he would be back in the next week	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Scott Hart	Approved Vote: Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-142	Approve Michael Skrinjar as an assistant football coach for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-143	Approve Gerard Grimm as boys golf coach for the 2026-2027 school year. <u>Discussion:</u> Board tabled this item for vote after executive.	No final motion recorded before executive session	Tabled
26-143	Approve rescinding Tom Cunningham's Shale contract for FY27.	Moved: Frank Shagnot Second: Liz Weston	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-144	Approve the resignation of Scott McNeil as Classroom Behavior Specialist effective with the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-145	Approve the retirement of Julie Pitts, bus driver. Julie has been a bus driver for sixteen years. The Board wished her well in her future endeavors.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
26-146	Approve Natasha Grim as a full-time substitute for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-147	Enter executive session for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law, rules, or state statutes, specifically regarding public employee or official employment and discipline. <u>Discussion:</u> Discussion was that the board would come back from executive session to vote on the tabled item. Treasurer also spoke about a Special meeting needed at the end of the month for updated appropriations.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Liz Weston	Approved - Executive Session Entered Vote: Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Weston: Yes; Hart: Yes
<b>Return from Executive Session</b>	Returned from executive session at 10:40 pm. Roll call upon return: Shagnot - Yes; Weston - Yes; Cole - Absent; Pastore - Yes; Hart - Yes.		Returned
26-148	Approve amending original line item 26-143 to 26-149.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Weston: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Pastore: Yes; Cole: Absent; Hart: Yes
26-149	Approve Gerard Grimm as boys golf coach for the 2026-2027 school year.	Moved: Jean Pastore Second: Frank Shagnot	Approved Vote: Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Hart: Yes
<b>Adjournment</b>	Adjourned at 10:48 pm.	Moved: Liz Weston Second: Jean Pastore	Approved - Meeting Adjourned Vote: Weston: Yes; Cole: Absent; Pastore: Yes; Shagnot: Yes; Hart: Yes