AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
LIBERTY CENTER BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2026
7:00 P.M.
BOARD ROOM

1. **Call To Order**

2. **Pledge Of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call**
   Mr. Carter___ Mr. Kern ___ Mrs. Oyer ___ Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Zeiter ___

4. **Grants Presentation: Allison Postl, Elementary Principal**

5. **Approve Minutes**
   _________made the motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 20, 2026 of the Liberty Center Board of Education. __________ seconded the motion. **(Exhibit A)**

   VOTE: Mr. Kern___ Mrs. Oyer___ Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Zeiter___ Mr. Carter___

   This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting.

6. **Recognition of Visitors/ Public Participation**
   0169.1 Public Participation at Board Meetings
   The Board of Education recognizes the value to school governance of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. The Board offers public participation to members of the public in accordance with the procedures below. The Board applies these procedures to all speakers and does not discriminate based on the identity of the speaker, the content of the speech, or the viewpoint of the speaker.

   The Board is also committed to conducting its meetings in a productive and efficient manner that assures that the regular agenda of the Board is completed in a reasonable period of time, honors the voluntary nature of the Board's time and using that time efficiently, and allows for a fair and adequate opportunity for input to be considered. Consequently, public participation at Board meetings will be governed by this bylaw.

   In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at every regular meeting of the Board and publish rules to govern such participation in Board meetings.

   The presiding officer of each Board meeting at which public participation is permitted shall administer the rules of the Board for its conduct.

   The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

A. Public participation shall be permitted as indicated on the order of business.

B. Anyone having a legitimate interest in the actions of the Board may participate during the designated public participation portion(s) of a meeting.

C. Attendees must register their intention to participate in the public participation portion of the meeting upon their arrival at the meeting.

D. Individuals may not register others to speak during public participation.

E. Participants must first be recognized by the presiding officer and may be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, and group affiliation, if and when appropriate.

F. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes duration unless extended by the presiding officer.

G. During the portion of the meeting designated for public participation, no participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.

H. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.

I. Audio or video recordings are permitted. The person operating the recorder should contact the Superintendent prior to the Board meeting to review the possible placement of the equipment, and must agree to abide by the following conditions:

   1. No obstructions are created between the Board and the audience.

   2. No interviews are conducted in the meeting room while the Board is in session.

   3. No commentary, adjustment of equipment, or positioning of operators is made that would distract either the Board or members of the audience while the Board is in session and not disrupt the meeting.

J. The presiding officer may:

   1. interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's session when they make comments that are repetitive, obscene, and/or comments that constitute a true threat (i.e., statements meant to frighten or intimidate one (1) or more specified persons into believing that they will be seriously harmed by the speaker or someone acting at the speaker's behest);

   2. request any individual to stop speaking and/or leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum or is disruptive to the conduct and/or orderly progress of the meeting;

   3. request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the conduct and/or orderly progress of the meeting;

4. call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action;

5. waive these rules with the approval of the Board when necessary for the protection of privacy or the administration of the Board's business.

The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes unless extended by a vote of the Board.

The Board may permit individuals to attend meetings remotely through live broadcast; however, public participation will be limited to those who are in attendance at the meeting site only. The Board is not responsible for any technology failures that prevent or disrupt any individual from attending remotely.

7. CFO/Treasurer's Report/Recommendations
Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Jenell Buenger

Consent Items

a. Approve the financial reports, including the following: **(Exhibit B)**
   Monthly Bank Reconciliation
   Cash Summary Report
   Disbursement Summary Report
   Investment Report

b. Approve the following donation:

In Memory of Alan D. Desgrange	Athletics

c. Approve the Financial Forecast as presented. **(Exhibit C)**

d. Approve the FY27 Permanent Appropriations as presented. **(Exhibit D)**

e. Approve the increase of the 2026 mileage rate from $0.725 per mile to $0.76 per mile (current IRS rate), effective July 1, 2026, for all non-union, LCCTA members, and OAPSE members. The athletic mileage rate is set per the LCCTA contract at $0.32 per mile.

f. Declare transportation to be impractical for two students attending Monclova Christian Academy, and offer these students payment in lieu of transportation, the rate to be determined by the Ohio Department of Education for school year 2026-27.

g. Approve the Restatement of the 403(b) Retirement Plan. **(Exhibit E)**

h. Approve the Transportation Agreement for the 2026-27 School Year.

i. Approve the following Appropriation Modifications and Amended Certificate Modifications:

Appropriation Modifications

300 951D	Boys Soccer	$1,075.00
018 9024	Amazing Shake	$1,300.00

300 944A	Band	$5,250.00

Amended Certificate Modifications

300 951D	Boys Soccer	$1,100.00
018 9024	Amazing Shake	$1,300.00
300 944A	Band	$5,000.00

Move to approve the above consent items:
Moved by: __________ Seconded by: ______________

VOTE: Mrs. Oyer___ Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Zeiter___ Mr. Kern___ Mr. Carter___

8. Principals' Reports

9. Athletic Director's Report

10. Superintendent's Report/Recommendations
Superintendent's Report – Mr. Richie Peters
<u>Consent Items</u>

a. Approve the bus routes for the 2026-27 school year as presented.

b. Appoint ________ as the Board's delegate and ________ as the alternate to the OSBA's annual Capital Conference, which will be held in Columbus, Ohio from November 15-17, 2026.

VOTE: Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Zeiter___ Mr. Kern___ Mrs. Oyer___ Mr. Carter___

11. Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations
<u>Consent Items – Personnel</u>

a. Approve the NwOESC substitute teacher and paraprofessional list, as presented, for the 2026-27 school year, to obtain substitute teachers and paraprofessionals. **(Exhibit F)**

b. Through the passage of HB583 and ORC 3319.36 and 3319.101, approve the following individuals as Substitute Teachers for the 2026-27 school year with the 1-Year Temporary Non-Bachelors Substitute Teaching License or Pre-Service License:

Alex Buchhop
James Clay
Isabelle Cohara
Bryson Collins
Heidi Garretson
Emily Gillson
Nicole Keller
Makayla Mays
Kylee Miller
Elle Mohler
Becky Meyer
Aimee Naveau
Aubrey Pennington
Shalyn Podach
Cheyenne Segura

Emmalyn Westrick
Chloe Wiechers
Erin Yoder

c. Offer the following certified individuals each a one-year supplemental contract for the position indicated for the 2026-27 school year, contingent upon the completion of all necessary paperwork. Their salary will be per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement's Supplemental Salary Schedule:

    Mary Chamberlin – Mentor
    Carrie Sines – Mentor
    Joanne Junge – Mentor

d. Rescind the following supplemental contract for the 2026-27 school year:

    Owen Box – Freshman Football Coach

e. Whereas the Board of Education has offered and advertised the following supplement position per ORC 3313.53, and received no interested or qualified licensed employees, move to offer the following non-certified individual a one-year supplemental contract for the position indicated for the 2026-27 school year, contingent upon the completion of all necessary paperwork, with salary as stipulated per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

    Deborah DeCoursey – Assistant Band Director
    Owen Box – Freshman Football Coach (50%)
    Nick Miller – Freshman Football Coach (50%)

f. Approve the following volunteer for the activity listed, contingent upon completion of all necessary paperwork and training:

    Carson Knapp – JH Cross Country
    Tom Russell – Football
    Mike Vicars – Football

g. Accept the resignation of Katelyn Konrad, Bus Driver, effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year.

h. Approve the following individuals as substitutes to the department listed for the 2026-27 school year, pending completion of all necessary training and paperwork:

    Rita Bare – Secretary
    Heidi Garretson – Secretary
    Riley Psurny – Secretary
    Jenny Perry – Secretary
    Waverly Rue – Secretary
    DeeAnn Shafer – Secretary
    Hayley Babcock – Custodian
    Kim Firman – Custodian
    Josh Williams – Custodian
    Kirsten Weirauch – Custodian

Hudson Keefer – Custodian
Raellen Shadler – Van Driver
Paula Mauer – Van Driver
Kennedy Hall – Van Driver
Brian Baker – Bus Driver
Brian Meyer – Bus Driver
Donna Crozier - Bus Driver
Ellen Bockelman – Bus Driver
Jennifer Fitzenreiter – Bus Driver
Josh Williams – Bus Driver
Karen Savage – Bus Driver
Katelyn Konrad – Bus Driver
Kathy Curlis – Bus Driver
Kevin Sonnenberg – Bus Driver
Maryann Reimund – Bus Driver
Mike Clendenin – Bus Driver
Norene Keller – Bus Driver
Phil Roseman – Bus Driver
Steve Chapa – Bus Driver
Terry Miller – Bus Driver
Bill Sharpe – Bus Driver
Hayley Babcock – Lunchroom
Stacey Dietrich – Lunchroom
Kim Firman – Lunchroom
Gwen Weaver – Lunchroom
Chelsea Wiley – Lunchroom
Robbi Robison – Lunchroom
Kim Royal – Lunchroom
Kristi Gyurasics – Lunchroom
Barb Maunz – Lunchroom
Ellen Bockelman – Lunchroom
Karlla Decant – Lunchroom
Jamie Evans – Lunchroom
Melissa French – Lunchroom

i. Approve Sheri Stacey as a District On-Board Instructor for the 2026-27 school year.

j. Approve the following individuals to serve on the Technology Committee for the 2026-27 school year, with a stipend and hourly rate per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

Stacy Bowers: Co-chair
Carey Pogan
Kara Kellermier
Liz Halleck
Cindy Hageman
Jacob Rupp
Ryan Miller

k. Appoint Kyle Storrer, Middle School Principal, and Katie Jimenez, Director of Student Services, as the Administrative Representatives on the Technology Committee for the 2026-27 school year.

l. Approve the following individuals to serve on the Evaluation Committee for the 2026-27 school year, with a stipend and hourly rate per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

Ryan Miller: Co-chair
Amy Spieth
Mary Chamberlin

m. Appoint Kyle Storrer, Middle School Principal, and Katie Jimenez, Director of Student Services, as the Administrative Representatives on the Evaluation Committee for the 2026-27 school year.

n. Approve the following individuals to serve on their respective Building Leadership Team (BLT) for the 2026-27 school year, with a stipend and hourly rate per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

<u>Elementary:</u>
Meggin Radlinski: Co-chair
Merry Giesige
Traci Chapman
Regina Babcock
Brittany Meyer
Mackenzie Mahnke
Lori Giesige

<u>Middle School:</u>
Samantha Molina: Co-chair
Cassie Hartzell
Betsy Rees
Tracy Krueger
Alex Geahlen

<u>High School:</u>
Jessica Keller: Co-chair
Kathy Bailey
Shelley Ahleman
Diane Mott
Stephanie Sager
Katherine Bell

o. Approve the following individuals to serve on the District Leadership Team (DLT) for the 2026-27 school year, with a stipend and hourly rate per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

Regina Babcock: Co-chair
Carrie Sines: Co-chair
Stephanie Sager: Co-chair
Meggin Radlinski: BLT Chair

Samantha Molina: BLT Chair
Jessica Keller: BLT Chair
Diana Szabo
Betsy Rees
Shelley Ahleman
Stacy Bowers
Patrick O'Dwyer

p. Appoint the following as Administrative Representatives on the District Leadership Team for the 2026-27 school year:

Richie Peters
Katie Jimenez
Chris Ward
Kyle Storrer
Allison Postl

q. Approve the following individuals to serve on their respective building Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Committee for the 2026-27 school year, with a stipend and hourly rate per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

<u>Elementary:</u>
Annette Niekamp: Co-chairs
Emily Hill
Kara Kellermeier
Kim Rettig
Sarah Feehan
Pam Righi
Dianna Szabo
Hillary McBride

<u>Middle School:</u>
Joanne Junge: Co-chair
Andrea Panning
Cassie Hartzell
Julie Masuwa
Luke Hutchinson
Karsyn Ashbaugh
Alex Geahlen

<u>High School:</u>
Diane Mott: Co-chair
Katherine Bell
Megan Kolasinski
Casey Mohler
Jeff Ressler
Amy Spieth
Chase Miller
Shelley Ahleman

r. Approve the following individuals to serve on the Local Professional Development Committee (LPDC) for the 2026-27 school year with a stipend and hourly rate per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

Jodi Biederstedt: Co-chair
Betsy Rees
Kathy Bailey

s. Appoint Allison Postl, Elementary Principal, and Chris Ward, High School Principal, as the Administrative Representatives on the Local Professional Development Committee (LPDC) for the 2026-27 school year.

t. Approve stipends to Liberty Center Classroom Teachers for the 2026-27 school year to serve as mentor teachers. Each stipend amount will be determined by and received from the college or university of the student teacher.

u. Offer Kim Royal a one-year probationary contract as a Bus Driver, effective at the beginning of the 2026-27 school year. Placement on the salary schedule is pending verification of experience. All benefits will be per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

v. Offer Deb Nash a one-year probationary contract as a Bus Driver, effective at the beginning of the 2026-27 school year. Placement on the salary schedule is pending verification of experience. All benefits will be per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

w. Retroactively offer Christen Moore a one-year probationary contract as a 10-month School Custodian, effective August 17, 2026. Placement on the salary schedule is pending verification of experience. All benefits will be per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

x. Approve advancing Carrie Cowger, Classroom Teacher, to the Masters+30 column on the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement's Salary Schedule, effective at the beginning of the 2026-27 school year.

Move to approve the above consent items:
Moved by: __________ Seconded by: __________

VOTE: Mr. Zeiter___ Mr. Kern___ Mrs. Oyer___ Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Carter___

12. Bus Purchase

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the motion was made by ________ and seconded by ________ that the Board approve the purchase of one 30 Passenger G5 Chevrolet/Micro Bird Bus with a wheelchair lift (capacity of 18 plus 1 wheelchair) from Cardinal Bus Sales and Service, Lima, OH, in the amount of $119,514.00. Pricing is per the META Solutions Vehicle Bids.

VOTE: Mr. Kern___ Mrs. Oyer___ Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Zeiter___ Mr. Carter___

13. **Resolution to Award a Contract for Construction Manager-At-Risk Services**
The motion was made by ________ and seconded by ________ to approve the Resolution to Award a Contract for Construction Manager-At-Risk Services related to the Board's baseball/softball fields improvement project. **(Exhibit G)**

VOTE: Mrs. Oyer___ Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Zeiter___ Mr. Kern___ Mr. Carter___

14. **Old Business**

15. **New Business**
a. The next board meeting is September 28, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

b. The first Senior Citizen Breakfast is Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. in the Auditeria.

16. **Board Members' Committee Reports**

17. **Adjournment**
__________ made the motion and ___________seconded the motion to adjourn the August 24, 2026 regular meeting of the Liberty Center Local Board of Education at ________ p.m.

VOTE: Mrs. Oyer___ Mr. Spangler___ Mr. Zeiter___ Mr. Kern___ Mr. Carter___