

CLEAR FORK VALLEY LOCAL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

May 20, 2025

Bellville Elementary School

6:30 p.m.

District Mission Statement: *Striving to Exceed Expectations*

The Regular Meeting of the Clear Fork Valley Local School board was called to order at 6:35 pm by Board President, Mr. Brian Johnson.

Roll call was taken, and the following members were present: Mr. Brian Johnson, Mr. Terry McDermott, Mr. Troy Tingley, Mr. Rick Kvochick, and Mrs. Lori McKee.

Employees and Guests in Attendance:

John Thomas, Interim Superintendent	Jennifer Klaus
Jon Mason, Treasurer	Brian Constance
Logan Slavinski	Kevin Carr
Jonathan Burras	Derek Fisher
Jennifer Stallard	Judy Coppersmith
	Vic Swisher

INVOCATION and Pledge

PRESENTATIONS:

Jonathan Burras: Bellville Principal

Mr. Burras discussed upcoming events at Bellville Elementary to close the year. All the grade levels have either had their class trip or will have their class trip soon. Fifth grade goes to Cleveland every year and it's always a great time. All the grade levels have individual awards ceremonies coming, so feel free to stop by! They will all be in the gymnasium with parents and families invited. The 2nd annual Fieldapalooza is scheduled for Tuesday, May 27. It is an all-day event put on by Mr. Ran Jones and his team, and the PTO brings in bouncy houses. It is going to be great. Lastly, on Thursday May 29, Kindergarten will have their annual graduation, and then 5th grade will have their annual awards ceremony, Dare Ceremony, and Send-off. There are a lot of great, important traditions at Bellville and our school truly is a community.

Jennifer Klaus: High School Principal

Mrs. Klaus presented information on state testing results, graduation events, and the Colt Kick Off on August 14th.

Mrs. Klaus explained the preliminary state testing results and how they get the numbers and why they might differ. She noted that the results come from all students regardless of where they are attending. This includes not only the CFHS students but also students from 3 different Career Centers, Contract Schools such

as the Learning Center and LEAP, CCP students, and some Home School students based on dual enrollment. Mrs. Klaus noted that multiple staff teach courses and some of the staff are in different locations such as the Career Centers or other contract schools. Mrs. Klaus shared that in five of the six of the tested areas CFHS students outperformed the state average. Average Overall Test Scores were higher in the spring than in the fall for Algebra, Geometry, Biology, and American History. Mrs. Klaus noted that students who took the Algebra Support Class (for students who have failed the Algebra Test 1 or more times) all passed except one and the one saw great improvement in their score. Mrs. Klaus also noted that the Biology Inclusion Class all passed the Bio 1 End of Course Exam.

Mrs. Klaus then reviewed the senior and graduation events:

- a. Tuesday, May 21
 - i. Senior Meeting and Visit the Elementary Buildings
 - ii. Senior Picnic at Pleasant Hill
 - iii. Baccalaureate at 7 pm in the auditorium
- b. Thursday, May 22
 - i. Work time for Cover Letter and Resume (due at 2pm)
 - 1. Part of the Career Passport
 - a. Transcripts, letters from school, seals, cover letter, resume, etc.
 - ii. KCCC Awards at MVNU Ariel Arena at 6pm
- c. Friday, May 23
 - i. Senior Graduation Rehearsal
 - ii. Senior Luncheon
 - iii. Senior Awards at 7pm in the HS Gym
- d. Sunday, May 25
 - i. Graduation at 2pm

Finally, Mrs. Klaus covered the Colt Kick-Off which will be August 14th starting at 9am. Students will be able to come and do the following items: Schedule Pick Up, School Picture, Pay Fees, Complete Final Forms, Buy Locks, Tour the Building, Met with Administration, maybe complete Hearing and Vision Screening and maybe complete Tech related items. Both the Middle School and High School will be hosting this event.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – Public comments will only be permitted during this section of the agenda per Public Participation at Board Meetings (Policy: KD) –

Judy Coppersmith - Introduced the Women's Caucus of the Democratic Party of Richland County in support of education.

Vic Swisher – Provided a presentation for electronic signage, from TouchPros LLC. The Athletic Boosters would like for the district to pay for half of the cost of this process.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2025-142 **Upon Motion** by Mr. Tingley seconded by Mr. Kvochick, the Board approved the minutes of the April 8, 2025, Regular Meeting.

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon Motion by Mrs. McKee and seconded by Mr. McDermott, the Board:

2025-143 Approved the April 2025 Financial Report.

2025-144 Approved the following donations:

\$35 Anonymous Donation for the Bellville 5th Grade field trip.
\$110 from Stephanie Wendland for Speech Class presentations.
\$250 from Allen Cabinetry for the Class of 2028.
\$100 from Judith Widder for the High School Musical.
\$40 from Clever Sweets for the Class of 2028.
Three boxes of single sized chips from Jones's Potato Chips for PBIS
Attendance incentive cookout.

2025-145 Approved the agreement with Park National Bank for district banking relationship for a three-year period, June 1, 2025 – May 31, 2028.

2025-146 Approved the service agreement with Knox County Educational Service Center for the 2025-2026 school year.

2025-147 Approved the contract with NeoNet for the purpose of establishing a Shared Services EMIS contract for the 2025-2026 school year.

2025-148 Approved the May 5 Year Forecast, FY25 through FY29 as presented.

2025-149 Approved paving repair bids from Oyster Pavement for Butler Elementary School \$14, 600 and HS/MS \$43,220 to be paid from Permanent Improvement Funds.

2025-150 Approved the service agreement with MOESC for the 2025-2026 School Year.

2025-151 Approved an additional day added at the end of the year schedule for four (4) Clear Fork Aides: Sarah Clairmonte, Tammy McFerren, Erin Bunnell, and Nicole Myers to assist with end of year duties at the Middle School.

2025-152 Approved the Middle School summer school fee of \$40 per course.

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Upon Motion by Mr. Kvochick and seconded by Mr. Tingley, the Board:

- 2025-153** Approved The following classified staff be employed on a one (1) year limited contract beginning with the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.
- Brandy Freitag – MS Cross Country
- 2025-154** Approved The following certified staff be employed on a one (1) year limited contract beginning with the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.
- Steven Bechtel – 8th Grade Boys Basketball
- 2025-155** Accepts in accordance with 3319.22 ORC the Clear Fork Board of Education affirms that the following positions have been offered to the certified employees of the Clear Fork Valley Local School District, and no qualified employee has been selected for the position. Furthermore, the Board affirms that the position(s) had been advertised on the Clear Fork website on March 25, 2025, to those who may be qualified, and the following personnel be employed on a one (1) year supplemental contract for the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.
- Christopher Spencer – JV Boys Basketball
Kerri Gottfried - Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball
Patrick Bailey - 8th Grade Wrestling
Jaxx Lamp – Freshman Boys Basketball
- 2025-156** Accepts in accordance with 3319.22 ORC the Clear Fork Board of Education affirms that the following positions have been offered to the certified employees of the Clear Fork Valley Local School District, and no qualified employee has been selected for the position. Furthermore, the Board affirms that the position(s) had been advertised on the Clear Fork website on January 31, 2025, to those who may be qualified, and the following personnel be employed on a one (1) year supplemental contract for the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.
- Jeffrey Labaki – JV/Freshmen Boys Soccer
Patrick Bailey – 7th Grade Football
Kaleb Hollar – 8th Grade Football
Jay Brokaw – Assistant Varsity Football
Chrisopher Laux – JV/Freshman Girls Soccer
Allen Leech – Assistant Varsity Girls Soccer
Amaya Copeland – MS Cheerleading Football/Basketball
Traci Wharton – Assistant HS Cheerleading Football/Basketball
Jonathan Pickering – Freshman Football (Split)
Chandell Pfeiderer – HS Cheerleading Football

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Scott Sellers – Varsity Girls Basketball

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

2025-158

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Tyler Hunter – HS Boys/Girls Cross Country

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

2025-159

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Charles Aaron Wilson – Varsity Girls Tennis

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

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Amanda Epneris – Varsity Volleyball

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

2025-161 Approved the following certified personnel are employed on a one (1) year supplemental contract for the 2025-2026 school year:

Brittany Bechtel – Varsity Girls Soccer

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

2025-162 Approved the following volunteer coaches 2024-2025 school year.

Alesha Thrush – Track Volunteer

2025-163 Approved the following resignations:

Rebekah Molina, effective April 21, 2025

2025-164 Approved the following certified staff to provide Extended School Year for reading intervention services as required during the summer (June, July and/or August of 2025). Estimated time up to 25 hours.

Corinna Baker
Robert Casey
Sarah Vermillion
Sonia Kelley
Brandis Hauger

2025-165 Approved the following classified staff be employed on a one (1) year limited contract beginning with the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.

Ashley Williamson	Danielle Armstrong	Melinda Mazzola
Brandy Freitag	Tiffany Hall	Craig Pennell
Jamie Fields	Pam Oswalt	Mark Sieving
Timothy Foshee	Angela Perry	Daniel Wade
Robert McCready	Irina Sansom	Trey Knecht

- 2025-166** Approved the following classified staff be employed on a two (2) year limited contract beginning with the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.
- Erin Bunnell
Tammy McFerren
Jennifer Bowman
Shelia Smith
- 2025-167** Approved The following classified personnel be employed on a one (3) year limited contract beginning with the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.
- Megan McFerren Macall Hanlon
Tammi Means Donita Robison
Kristi Roberts Steve Thompson
Michael Conrad
- 2025-168** Approved the following classified personnel be employed on a one (1) year limited retire – rehire contract beginning with the 2025-2026 school year per the adopted salary schedule.
- Deborah Williams
- 2025-169** Approved the following voluntary transfers effective for the 2025-2026 school year:
- Kristy Vargo to High School ELA
Kelly Shinabarker to MS ELA
Abby McCready to 5th Grade - Butler
Anna Jones to 1st Grade - Butler
- 2025-170** Approved the following certified personnel are employed on a one (1) year limited contract for the 2025-2026 school year:
- Michelle Dials – 8th grade Intervention Specialist
Leah Hoyle – 7th grade ELA
- 2025-171** Approved the following volunteer coaches 2025-2026 school year.
- Broegan Sautter – Girls Soccer
- 2025-172** Approved the non-renewal of the following long-term substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Nicole Blakley
Mariah Miller
Bev Knell
Kamryn Goodrow
- 2025-173** Approved the hiring of high school students for custodial and maintenance work at an hourly rate of \$10.70 per hour not to exceed a total expenditure of \$15,000.00 for the months of June, July and August of 2025. The work schedule is determined by the Facilities Director.
- 2025-174** Approved a voluntary reduction of hours for school psychologist Joanna Greenwalt effective for the 2025-2026 school year.

- 2025-175** Accepted the resignation of Jefferson Proto, effective August 2025.
- 2025-176** Approved the following personnel to advance on the salary schedule effective May 21, 2025, in accordance with the Clear Fork Valley Education Association, AFT/OFT.

Jared Beans - Masters

- 2025-177** Approved the negotiated agreement between the Clear Fork Valley Board of Education and the Clear Fork Valley O.A.P.S.E. #282 effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028.

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
Mr. Tingley Yes
Mr. McDermott Yes
Mr. Kvochick Yes
Mrs. McKee Yes

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Upon Motion by Mr. McDermott and seconded by Mrs. McKee, the Board:

- 2025-178** Reimbursed a parent for transportation of their student for Summer School at Imperial Autism.
- 2025-179** Entered into an agreement with River Education Services, INC. (LEAP), for the 2025-2026 school year.
- 2025-180** Approved the list of students as recommended by Mrs. Jennifer Klaus to be awarded graduate status May 25, 2025, provided all local and state requirements have been met for graduation.

- 2025-181** Approved the following handbooks:

Preschool
Transportation

- 2025-182** Approved the following fee schedule:

Grades K – 8 th	
Instructional Fee	\$50.00
-If paid in full prior to 9/30/2025	\$40.00
Technology Fee	\$25.00
Grades 8 Vo-Ag	\$5.00
Grades 9-12	see attached

- 2025-183** Approved lunch prices for the 2025-2026 school year:

Elementary – \$3.50
HS/MS – \$3.75

- 2025-184** Approved FFA students to attend these out-of-state events for the 2025-2026 school year:
 National FFA Convention Oct. 29th -Nov 1st, 2025
 Denver Stock Show January 16th - 25, 2026 (Date Range)
 OYE Youth Expo in Oklahoma City March 11-21. 2026 (Date Range)
- 2025-185** Approved the Richland County Sheriff contract for the 2025-2026 school year.
- 2025-186** Approved the College Credit Plus (CCP) MOU with MVNU for the 2025-2026 school year.
- 2025-187** Board approves the College Credit Plus (CCP) Textbook Rental Program agreement with MVNU.
- 2025-188** Approved the Fee Waiver Schedule for the 2025-2026 school year.

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
 Mr. Tingley Yes
 Mr. McDermott Yes
 Mr. Kvochick Yes
 Mrs. McKee Yes

INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

Upon Motion by Mr. Tingley and seconded by Mrs. McKee, the Board:

- 2025-189** Discussed 2nd reading of the following Board Policy:
- IGDK – Interscholastic Extracurricular Eligibility
- 2025-190** Discussed the following Board Policies (1st reading)
- IGBLA – Promoting Parental Involvement - NEW POLICY
 IGAE – Health Education
 IGBL – Parent and Family Involvement in Education
 BCE – Board Committees
 DJF-R – Purchasing Procedures
 JEFB – Released Time for Religious Instruction
 JGE – Student Expulsion
 JHCD – Administering Medicines to Students
 BD – School Board Meetings
 DECA – Administration of Federal Grant Funds
 DID – Inventories (Fixed Assets)
 EDE – Computer/Online Services (Acceptable Use and Internet Safety)
 GBH – (Also JM) Staff-Student Relations
 IGAI/IGAH – Family Life Education/Sex Education
 IGBA – Programs for Students with Disabilities
 IGCH-R – College Credit Plus
 IJ – Guidance Program
 JECBB – Interdistrict Open Enrollment (Adjacent District)
 JHC – Student Health Services and Requirements

JHCA – Physical Examinations of Students
JHCD – Non-administration of Medicines
JHCD-R-1 – Administering Prescription Drugs to Students (General Regulation)
JHF – Student Safety
JHG - Reporting Child Abuse and Mandatory Training
KBA – Public's Right to Know

EXECUTIVE SESSION

2025-191 **Upon Motion** by Mr. Kvochick and seconded by Mr. McDermott, the Board enters into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(3) for conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of a pending or imminent court action and Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(4) preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment at 7:35 pm.

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
 Mr. Tingley Yes
 Mr. McDermott Yes
 Mr. Kvochick Yes
 Mrs. McKee Yes

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

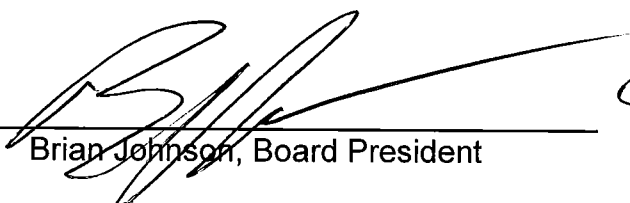
2025-192 **Upon Motion** by Mr. McDermott and seconded by Mr. Tingley, the Board exit Executive Session at 10:10.


The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
 Mr. Tingley Yes
 Mr. McDermott Yes
 Mr. Kvochick Yes
 Mrs. McKee Yes

ADJOURN

2025-193 **Upon Motion** by Mrs. McKee and seconded by Mr. Johnson, the Board adjourns the meeting at 10:12 pm.

The vote was: Mr. Johnson Yes
 Mr. Tingley Yes
 Mr. McDermott Yes
 Mr. Kvochick Yes
 Mrs. McKee Yes

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Brian Johnson, Board President

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Jon Mason, Treasurer