

LEIPSIC LOCAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
Minutes

Date: June 11, 2025 Kind of Meeting: Regular

The Leipsic Local Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

The following board members were present: Brian Reynolds, John Schortgen, Sam Walther, Barry Ward, and Kirk Wensink.

Administration present included: Greg Williamson, Superintendent; Megan Tobe, Elementary Principal; and David Miller, Treasurer.

In attendance were one parent, and ten staff members.

A motion was made by Sam Walther, and seconded by Kirk Wensink, to approve the minutes of the May 2025 board meeting. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed 5-0.

John Schortgen made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the move, to approve financial statements as presented (Bills, Interest, etc.). Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Recognition of Visitors and Comments from Guests: PBIS Committee for Leipsic High School addressed the Board

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Fiscal Items:

Sam Walther made a motion, and John Schortgen seconded the motion, to approve the following Transfers/Advances/Advance Backs:

Type	From Fund	To Fund	Amount
Advance	001-0000	572-9025	\$ 9,064.70
Advance	001-0000	590-9025	2,356.27

Vote: Sam Walther—yea; John Schortgen—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Barry Ward—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Kirk Wensink made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the motion, to approve the disposal of inventory per attached. Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Sam Walther—yea; Motion passed: 5-0.

Sam Walther made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the motion, to approve the participation agreement with Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) to provide Property & Liability insurance for Fiscal Year 2026 at a cost of \$63,905.00, per attached. UIS (Rob Fawcett) is the local agent; last year’s premium was \$60,848 (5% increase for 2025-26). Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Personnel:

Kirk Wensink made a motion, and John Schortgen seconded the motion, to accept the resignation of Cailey Deitering as Elementary Teacher effective at the end of 2025-2026 school year, per attached. Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; John Schortgen—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Kirk Wensink made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the motion, to accept the resignation of Robert Gerten as Bus Driver effective July 31, 2025, per attached. Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Barry Ward made a motion, and John Schortgen seconded the motion, to approve Madeline Jones as an Elementary Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year, with 7 years experience, Bachelor’s Degree, per attached. Vote: Barry Ward—yea; John Schortgen—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Sam Walther made a motion, and Kirk Wensink seconded the motion, to approve Trey Schroeder as a Vocational Agriculture Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year, with 0 years experience, Bachelor’s Degree, per attached. Contingent upon a valid teaching credential is obtained prior to 8/1/2025. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

John Schorten made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the motion, to approve the supplemental extended service contracts for the 2025-2026 school year.

Name	Position	Time
Julie Recker	Guidance	12 days
Trey Schroeder	Vocational Agriculture	2 days
Colleen Siefker	Vocational Home Economics	2 days

Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Barry Ward—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

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Kirk Wensink made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the move, to approve the following supplemental contracts for 2025-26 per attached:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Exp*</u>	<u>Compensation</u>
Trey Schroeder	FFA Advisor	5	0	\$2,256.00

*Experience is paid on 11 years maximum.
** Documented evidence of a clear criminal record.

Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Sam Walther—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Executive Session:

Sam Walther made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the move, to enter into executive session at 6:57 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

The board returned from executive session at 9:44 p.m.

Kirk Wensink made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the move, to table Personnel Item Motions 8 through 15. Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds— ye; John Schortgen—yea; and Sam Walther—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Sam Walther made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the move, to approve the Elementary handbook for the 2025-2026 school year, per attached. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds— ye; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

John Schortgen made a motion, and Kirk Wensink seconded the move, to approve the overnight/extended student trip for Junior High students to Washington D.C. from May 18 through May 20, 2026, to attend the class trip, per attached. Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds— ye; Sam Walther—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Kirk Wensink made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the move, to approve the overnight/extended student trip for LHS Cheer team to University of Mount Union from July 8 through July 10, 2025, to attend a cheer camp per attached. Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds— ye; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Barry Ward made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the move, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Defiance College and Leipsic Local School District for the purpose of student teacher candidate preparatory program per attached. Vote: Barry Ward—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds— ye; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

PLANNING and DISCUSSION

- Superintendent Comments
 - i. LLSD Wellness Policy is open for public viewing upon request
- Board Round Robin

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Sam Walther made a motion, seconded by John Schortgen, to hold a Special Board Meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 30, 2025 in the Administrative Conference Room. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; John Schortgen—yea; Brian Reynolds— ye; Barry Ward—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

John Schortgen made a motion, seconded by Kirk Wensink to adjourn the meeting. Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

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