

**LUCAS LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
February 18, 2025  
Lucas Middle School Media Center  
6:00 p.m.**

**District Mission Statement:**

**The mission of Lucas Local Schools is to provide high quality educational opportunities,  
which promote academic preparedness and productive citizenship**

The Board of Education of the Lucas Local School District met for the Regular Board Meeting on February 18, 2025 in the Lucas Middle School Media Center.

President Timothy Cooper called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mr. Timothy Cooper, Mrs. Amy Cuthbertson, Mr. Rick Foss, Mr. Roger Maglott and Mr. Eric Steward.

**PRESENTATION**

**Athletic Boosters**

Members of the athletic boosters provided information and potential plans to build an athletic complex. The design and location was discussed as well as the funding of the project. The athletic complex would be funded entirely through the boosters and the design/location would be decided at a later point.

**2025-020**    **Upon Motion** by Mrs. Cuthbertson and seconded by Mr. Maglott, the Board adopted the agenda as presented with action item 7.2 amended.

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| <b>The vote was:</b> | <b>Mr. Cooper</b>       | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Maglott</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mrs. Cuthbertson</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Steward</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mr. Foss</b>         | <b>Yes</b> |                    |            |

**2025-021**    **Upon Motion** by Mr. Maglott and seconded by Mr. Steward, the Minutes of the Organizational and Regular Board Meeting of January 14, 2025 were approved.

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| <b>The vote was:</b> | <b>Mr. Cooper</b>       | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Maglott</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mrs. Cuthbertson</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Steward</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mr. Foss</b>         | <b>Yes</b> |                    |            |

**2025-022**    **Upon Motion** by Mrs. Cuthbertson and seconded by Mr. Foss, the Board approved the January 2025 Monthly Finance Reports

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| <b>The vote was:</b> | <b>Mr. Cooper</b>       | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Maglott</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mrs. Cuthbertson</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Steward</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mr. Foss</b>         | <b>Yes</b> |                    |            |

**2025-023**    **Upon Motion** by Mr. Cooper and seconded by Mrs. Cuthbertson, the board approved the purchase of a 2024 Chrysler Pacifica Touring L from Buckeye Chrysler Jeep Dodge of Shelby at a cost of \$39,420.00.

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| <b>The vote was:</b> | <b>Mr. Cooper</b>       | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Maglott</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mrs. Cuthbertson</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Mr. Steward</b> | <b>Yes</b> |
|                      | <b>Mr. Foss</b>         | <b>Yes</b> |                    |            |

## ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION ITEMS

### Mr. Herman updated the board:

- Mr. Herman updated the board on the calamity hours for this school year due to the multiple delays and school closings this winter. He stated, at this time there is no need to make up any hours or days for the school year.
- Mr. Herman informed the board about the OSBA Central Region Conference on March 19th and the Pioneer All Board dinner on March 26th.

### Mr. Pickering updated the board:

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**2025-024** Upon Motion by Mrs. Cuthbertson and seconded by Mr. Cooper, the Board of Education approved to extend the hours of Carissa Grillo, One on One Preschool Aide from up to 7 hours per week to up to 20 hours per week, effective February 18, 2025.

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

**2025-025** Upon Motion by Mr. Maglott and seconded by Mr. Steward, the Board approved the following Supplemental Contracts for the 2024-2025 school year pending proper credentialing and student participation criteria:

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| Spencer Adams | Head Track Coach (Boys/Girls)        |
| Jaclyn Alt    | Head Softball Coach                  |
| Jamie Grover  | Assistant Varsity Track (Boys/Girls) |

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

**2025-026** Upon Motion by Mr. Foss and seconded by Mrs. Cuthbertson, the following position(s) have been offered to certified/licensed employees of the school district, posted on our Lucas website and advertised July 8, 2024 for certified/licensed individuals who are not currently employed by the board and no such person(s) qualified to fill such position(s) applied for and accepted the position(s).

The Board approved the following Pupil-Activity Program Contracts for the 2024-2025 school year pending proper credentialing and student participation criteria:

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| Douglas Anschutz | Assistant Varsity Baseball           |
| Isabel Alt       | Assistant Varsity Softball           |
| Morgan Sweat     | Assistant Varsity Track (Boys/Girls) |
| Mike Bichsel     | Assistant Varsity Track (Boys/Girls) |

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

**2025-027** Upon Motion by Mr. Maglott and seconded by Mrs. Cuthbertson, the Board approved the membership in the OHSAA for Lucas Local Middle and High Schools for the 2025-2026 school year conducting athletics in accordance with OHSAA Constitution, ByLaws, Regulations, Interpretations and Decisions.

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

**2025-028**    **Upon Motion** by Mr. Cooper and seconded by Mr. Steward, the Board of Education approved the 2025-2026 Lucas Local School District calendar.

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | No  |             |     |

**2025-029**    **Upon Motion** by Mrs. Cuthbertson and seconded by Mr. Maglott, the Board approved Lucas FFA to travel to Mansfield YMCA on February 22, 2025, they will return to Lucas for a Lock-in at the High School.  
Chaperones: Kelly Mongold and Michelle Guegold  
Parent Volunteer: Rhonda Tedrow

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

**2025-030**    **Upon Motion** by Mr. Steward and seconded by Mr. Cooper, the Board approved FCCLA to travel to the State Leadership Conference on April 24-25, 2025 at the Ohio Expo Center in Columbus, Ohio.

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

**2025-031**    **Upon Motion** by Mr. Maglott and seconded by Mr. Steward, the following donations were accepted:

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| Payton Sturts Foundation | Pole Vault Pit | \$14,000.00 |
| Sauder Electric          | Wrestling      | \$ 1,000.00 |

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

## INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

### RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mr. Cooper recognized the visitors that signed in: Amanda Francis, Steven Fanello, Monica Sturts, Joe Strassell, Kyle Dech, Jim Sweat, Michelle Guegold, Sara Brown.

Brian Sauder – Mr. Sauder expressed his concern and asked why the district is prohibiting purchases to his daughters' t-shirt shop. Mr. Herman stated that we want to do business with them, but have been advised from our legal counsel that we cannot do business with them due to ethical concerns. We have consulted with the ethics commission to get an advisory opinion.

### ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

Roger Maglott – Mr. Maglott asked how we are handling Athletic Director duties while Taylor is on leave. Mr. Herman said that it will be a joint effort by multiple people led by Dr. Metcalf.

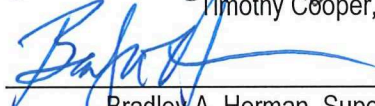
**2025-032**    **Upon Motion** by Mr. Cooper and seconded by Mrs. Cuthbertson, the Board adjourned from regular session at 6:46 p.m.

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| The vote was: | Mr. Cooper       | Yes | Mr. Maglott | Yes |
|               | Mrs. Cuthbertson | Yes | Mr. Steward | Yes |
|               | Mr. Foss         | Yes |             |     |

Certificate Section 5705.412, Revised Code

It is hereby certified that the Lucas Local School District Board of Education, Richland County, Ohio, has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.

  
Timothy Cooper, President

  
Bradley A. Herman, Superintendent

  
Eric W. Pickering, Treasurer