

The Kalida Board of Education met in regular session on the 25th day of June 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the administrative building boardroom.

The meeting was called to order by president Brent Helmke and on roll call the following members were: Mr. Niemeyer, present; Ms. Peck, present; Mr. Schmenk, present; Mr. von der Embse, present; Mr. Helmke, present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said at this time followed by an invocation given by the Board President.

TREASURER CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 2025-082

Mr. von der Embse motioned to approve the following consent agenda items:

- **Regular Board Meeting Minutes for May 15, 2025.**
- **Financial Reports for the period of May 2025**
 - Check Register, Monthly Cash Reconciliation, Financial Summary, Appropriation Summary, Revenue Summary, and Revenue & Expenditure Report
- **Donations for the month of May 2025 totaling \$15,776.70**
- **Transfers for FY25**
 - General Fund to Capital Projects Fund for \$3,177,369.30
 - General Fund to Severance Fund for \$60,047.54
 - General Fund to OSFC Maintenance Fund for \$33,080.00
 - General Fund to Permanent Improvement Fund \$68,000.00
 - General Fund to Technology Fund for \$75,000.00
 - General Fund to Athletic Fund for \$19,872.86
 - Class of 2025 to Class of 2026 for \$443.88
 - Class of 2025 to Enhancement Committee for \$150.00
- **Amendment to Appropriations and Certificate of Estimated Resources for FY25**

| Appropriations | | Increase | Decrease |
|----------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Fund 003-000 | Permanent Improvement | \$35,000.00 | |
| Fund 007-9015 | Holtkamp-Pizzurro Scholarship | \$5,000.00 | |
| Fund 007-9017 | Brady Mathews Scholarship | \$1,000.00 | |
| Fund 007-9023 | FFA Scholarship | \$350.00 | |
| Fund 007-9024 | Red Cross Scholarship | \$3,000.00 | |
| Fund 014-9020 | Rotary Fund | \$2,600.00 | |
| Fund 018-9050 | Elem Principals Account | \$1,000.00 | |
| Fund 070-9002 | Capital Projects – Mechanical | \$28,000.00 | |
| Fund 070-9004 | Capital Projects – Furniture | \$3,000.00 | |
| Fund 200-9130 | FFA | \$7,000.00 | |
| Fund 200-9150 | Band | \$5,000.00 | |
| Fund 200-9230 | Yearbook | \$5,000.00 | |
| Fund 300-9020 | Girls Basketball | \$2,500.00 | |
| Fund 300-9030 | Volleyball | \$1,000.00 | |
| Fund 300-9035 | Cross Country | \$2,300.00 | |
| Fund 300-9065 | Girls Soccer | \$500.00 | |
| Fund 300-9080 | Softball | \$500.00 | |
| Fund 499-9025 | Ohio Art Council Grant | \$7,800.00 | |
| | Total | \$110,550.00 | |

| Revenue | | Increase | Decrease |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Fund 001-0000 | General Fund | \$800,000.00 | |
| Fund 001-9015 | Technology Fund | \$2,000.00 | |
| Fund 002-9003 | Bond | \$210,000.00 | |
| Fund 003-0000 | Permanent Improvement | \$8,0000.00 | |
| Fund 003-9005 | Enhancement Committee | \$4,000.00 | |
| Fund 006-0000 | Café | \$60,0000.00 | |
| Fund 007-9015 | Holtkamp-Pizzurro Scholarship | \$200.00 | |
| Fund 007-9018 | Fanger-Lammers Scholarship | \$20.00 | |
| Fund 007-9023 | FFA Scholarship | \$600.00 | |
| Fund 007-9024 | Red Cross Scholarship | \$3,600.00 | |
| Fund 014-9020 | Rotary Fund | \$2,500.00 | |
| Fund 018-9010 | HS Principal | \$500.00 | |
| Fund 018-9011 | JH Principal | \$13,000.00 | |
| Fund 018-9050 | Elementary Principal | \$5,000.00 | |
| Fund 034-0000 | OSFC | \$13,000.00 | |
| Fund 035-0000 | Severance | \$60,047.54 | |
| Fund 070-9002 | Capital Projects – Mechanical | \$2,300,318.00 | |
| Fund 070-9003 | Capital Projects – Asphalt/Concrete | \$17,000.00 | |
| Fund 070-9004 | Capital Projects – Furniture | \$62,500.70 | |
| Fund 070-9005 | Capital Projects – Transportation | \$554,457.00 | |
| Fund 200-9026 | Class of 2026 | \$1,200.00 | |
| Fund 200-9027 | Class of 2027 | \$10.00 | |
| Fund 200-9130 | FFA | \$4,500.00 | |
| Fund 200-9150 | Music Department | \$6,000.00 | |
| Fund 200-9151 | Band/Choir Trip | \$7,000.00 | |
| Fund 200-9220 | Musical | \$1,000.00 | |
| Fund 200-9230 | Yearbook | \$2,000.00 | |

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| Fund 300-9020 | Girls Basketball | \$2,425.00 | |
| Fund 300-9035 | Cross Country | \$1,000.00 | |
| Fund 300-9050 | Golf | \$600.00 | |
| Fund 300-9065 | Girls Soccer | \$1,200.00 | |
| Fund 451-9001 | ONEnet Program Grant | \$382.28 | |
| | Total | \$4,144,060.52 | |

- **Permanent Appropriations for FY26 in the amount of \$11,757,535.00**
- **SORSA Liability, Property, and Fleet Insurance for FY26**
- **Liability Insurance for rider groups: Kalida Athletic Boosters, Kalida Music Boosters, and Kalida Post Prom Committee**

Mr. Schmenk seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Public Participation: There was no Public Participations.

Old Business: The board discussed book bill fees for the 2025-26 school year.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 2025-083

Mr. Niemeyer motioned to approve the following consent agenda items:

PUTNAM COUNTY SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LISTING – Approved the updated list of current substitute teachers verified by the Putnam County Educational Service Center.

GOLF TEAM OUT OF STATE TRIP – Approved the Boys Golf team to stay overnight on their outing to Ypsilanti, MI on July 31, 2025.

GOLF TEAM OUT OF STATE TRIP – Approved the Boys Golf team to stay overnight on their outing to Richmond, IN on August 16, 2025.

Ms. Peck seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

2025-26 CAFETERIA PRICES 2025-084

Mr. Niemeyer motioned to approve the following cafeteria prices for the 2025-26 school year:

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|--------------------|--------|
| Elementary K-5 | \$2.50 |
| High School 6-12 | \$2.65 |
| Adult | \$4.00 |
| Extra Milk/Student | \$0.50 |
| Extra Milk/Adult | \$0.60 |
| Ala Carte | \$2.00 |

Mr. von der Embse seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

2025-26 STUDENT IPAD INSURANCE FEES 2025-085

Mr. Schmenk motioned to approve the following student iPad insurance fees for the 2025-26 school year:

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|------------|---------|
| Seniors | \$50.00 |
| Juniors | 50.00 |
| Sophomores | 75.00 |
| Freshman | 75.00 |

Mr. von der Embse seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

2025-26 STUDENT CHROMEBOOK DEVICE INSURANCE FEES 2025-086

Mr. Niemeyer motioned to approve the following student Chromebook insurance fees for the 2025-26 school year:

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| Fifth Grade | \$20.00 |
| Sixth Grade | 20.00 |
| Seventh Grade | 20.00 |
| Eight Grade | 20.00 |

Ms. Peck seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

| 2025-26 ALL SPORTS & SEASONAL PASS PRICES | | 2025-087 |
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| Mr. Schmenk motioned to approve the following All Sports & Seasonal Pass and door ticket prices for the 2025-26 school year: | | |
| All Sports: | Family | \$350.00 |
| | Individual Student | 90.00 |
| | Individual Adult | 125.00 |
| | Sr. Citizen (60+) | 90.00 |
| All Fall Sports: | Individual Adult | \$70.00 |
| | Individual Student | 50.00 |
| | Individual Sr. Citizen | 50.00 |
| All Winter Sports: | Individual Adult | \$80.00 |
| | Individual Student | 50.00 |
| | Individual Sr. Citizen | 50.00 |
| HS Gate Price | Adult \$7.00 / Student \$5.00 | |
| JH Gate Price | Adult \$5.00 / Student \$4.00 | |
| Freshman Gate Price | Adult \$5.00 / Student \$4.00 | |
| Reserve Seat BBK Games Only: | | Adult \$20.00 / Sr. Citizen \$10.00 |
| (Must purchase one of the all season passes to purchase seat) | | |

Ms. Peck seconded the motion and the roll being called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

CONTRACTS FOR CLASSIFIED STAFF (COOKS/BUS DRIVERS/PARAPROFESSIONAL) 2025-088
 Mr. von der Embse motioned to approve revised classified contracts for cooks, bus drivers, and paraprofessional to 182 day contracts, consisting of 176 instructional days and 6 holidays, beginning with the 2025-26 school year. Mr. Niemeyer seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption resulted as follows: Mr. Niemeyer, yes, Ms. Peck, yes; Mr. Schmenk, abstain due to conflict of interest; Mr. von der Embse, yes; Mr. Helmke, yes. Motion carried.

2025-26 SUPPLEMENTAL ACTIVITY/PUPIL CONTRACTS 2025-089
 Ms. Peck motioned to issue the following 2025-26 supplemental/pupil activity contracts:

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| Junior Class Advisor | Mitch Gable | 3 | \$1,169 |
| HS Student Council Advisor (1/2) | Jeff Clement | 16 | 2,117 |
| HS Student Council Advisor (1/2) | Emily Maag | 9 | 1,846 |
| JH Student Council Advisor (1/2) | Jeff Clement | 16 | 1,140 |
| JH Student Council Advisor (1/2) | Wendy Stechschulte | 0 | 626 |
| Elementary Choir Director | Gracyn Stechschulte | 3 | 1,169 |
| Show Choir Director | Gracyn Stechschulte | 3 | 2,806 |
| Musical Director | Gracyn Stechschulte | 4 | 4,360 |

Mr. Schmenk seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

E & A SCHOOL FUNDING MEMBERSHIP 2025-090
 Mr. Niemeyer motioned to approve E & A School Funding membership, at a cost of \$1,188. Mr. von der Embse seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

RETIREMENT – CAROL BOCKRATH 2025-091
 Mr. von der Embse motioned to approve the resignation of Carol Bockrath effective July 31, 2025, due to retirement and to issue Mrs. Bockrath a lifetime activity pass for her 25+ years of working for the athletic department. Ms. Peck seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

ATHLETIC TRAINING AGREEMENT WITH MERCY HEALTH 2025-092
 Mr. Niemeyer motioned to approve an agreement with Mercy Health – St. Rita’s Medical Center for athletic training coverage for 2025-2027. Mr. Schmenk seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

MOU WITH DELPHOS CITY SCHOOLS 2025-093
 Ms. Peck motioned to approve a Title I MOU with Delphos City Schools for Kalida resident students attending Delphos St. John’s. Mr. Niemeyer seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

TEACHING CONTRACT – ADRIENE SWYERS 2025-094
 Mr. von der Embse motioned to approve a ½ teaching contract to Adriene Swyers for 2025-26, and ½ Elementary Tech Assistant/Media Assistant. Ms. Peck seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

CLASSIFIED CONTRACT – JENNY GOUBEAUX 2025-095
 Mr. Schmenk motioned to approve a Two (2) year Limited Contract to Jenny Goubeaux as a Paraprofessional for 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years. Mr. Niemeyer seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

CLASSIFIED CONTRACT – JACKIE OTTO

2025-096

Ms. Peck motioned to approve a One (1) year Limited Contract to Jackie Otto as a Paraprofessional for 2025-26 school year. Mr. Niemeyer seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

BOOKBILL FOR 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

2025-097

Mr. Schmenk motioned to approve the Kalida Board of Education setting the High School and Elementary Book Bills fee for the 2025-26 school year to \$35 per student, with the Board of Education supplementing the difference. The book bill fee amount will be evaluated annually by the Board of Education. Ms. Peck seconded the motion and the roll called upon for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Legislative Report:

- Mr. Niemeyer covered a number of House and Senate bills that are pending legislation.

Vantage Career Center Report:

- No items to report.

Discussions during the Superintendent’s report (in Schoology):

- Plans are being developed for new softball dugouts and a building at the track.
- A new scoreboard at the soccer field will be ordered soon.
- The High School gym floor is currently being resurfaced.
- The Kalida Athletic Boosters would like to update the sound system in the High School gym. They are willing to contribute \$50,000, and would like the board to commit to the remaining balance.
- There was a discussion about classified employees being eligible for supplemental contracts.

Discussions during Elementary Principal’s report (in Schoology):

- The cleaning crew has completed the summer cleaning of the elementary building.
- Mrs. Stechschulte thanked and congratulated Mr. Lammers on his upcoming retirement.

Discussions during the High School Principal’s report (in Schoology):

- Graduation was held on Sunday May 25th, with 43 graduates.
- Blood Drive is scheduled for July 23th, at the High School.
- Maintenance crew should be starting in the high school within the week.
- In the process of hiring a new Athletic Department Secretary/Lunchroom Monitor/Study Hall Monitor, due to the retirement of Carol Bockrath.
- Mr. Brinkman hosted his first Admin Meeting a couple of weeks ago to prepare for the upcoming school year.
- Mr. Brinkman congratulated Mr. Lammer on his upcoming retirement and last board meeting.

Staff Participation: There was no staff participation this month.

ADJOURNMENT

2025-098

There being no further business, at 7:50 p.m. Mr. von der Embse motioned and Mr. Niemeyer seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. When roll was called for its adoption, all members were in favor. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

In Attendance:

Karl Lammers
Dean Brinkman
Kayla Stechschulte
Cheryl Simon
Michelle Buss
Jacob Litwiller
Deb Kahle
Carol Bockrath

Board President

Board Treasurer