FINNEYTOWN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting, May 19, 2025
Brent Board Office Meeting Room
8791 Brent Drive
Cincinnati, OH 45231
Open Forum 6:00pm
Regular Meeting 6:30pm

The Finneytown Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 19, 2025, in the Brent Board Meeting Room, 8791 Brent Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45231. Ms. McMullen, Ms. Lee, Mr. Plaut, Mr. Rea and Mr. Reeb were present. The President called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

83-25 Mr. Plaut moved, seconded by Mr. Reeb, that the Board approve the agenda as presented. The President declared the motion passed.

84-25 Mr. Plaut moved, seconded by Ms. Lee, the Board approved the minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 21, 2025. The President declared the motion passed.

Administrative Report

Literacy Update – Ms. Jen Bayless, Literacy Coordinator

- Ms. Bayless provided an overview of early literacy progress, highlighting positive trends in kindergarten data and ongoing assessments in first through third grades.
- Despite modest changes in overall scores, significant growth is occurring, especially among struggling students, thanks to more frequent progress monitoring and targeted interventions.
- Staff are being trained in the science of reading, and two new curricula are being implemented, though full results will take years to show.
- Instructional practices like "Walk to Read" and "PALS" are helping tailor support by reading level. The innovative *Athlete Literacy Program* paired high school athletes with younger students for reading fluency support, showing strong engagement and promising results.
- Next year's plan includes earlier interventions in K–1 and using a large number of skilled adults to provide more personalized instruction during the school day.

PBL Showcase Preview – Dr. Tami Dietz and Mr. Michael Kennedy, PBL Facilitators

- Dr. Dietz and Mr. Kennedy introduced the upcoming PBL (Project-Based Learning) Showcase, clarifying that PBL is not just doing a project at the end of a unit, but an ongoing learning process involving inquiry, collaboration, and real-world skills.
- They highlighted the PBL Showcase secondary campus (9–11:15 AM) and elementary showcase (2–3 PM) events, noting logistics and locations.
    - Secondary Campus: 14 projects showcased (out of 55 total this year), with multiple stages and livestreams including pre-recorded interviews.
    - Elementary: 9 projects showcased (out of 37 total), including interactive audience-led presentations by kindergarten and upper elementary students.
- Mr. Kennedy then introduced a sample PBL project by two high school seniors, Sam Huff and Israel McMahon, from a statistics class. Their project, *Township Economics*,

analyzed how restaurants and businesses support local schools and contribute to the economy.

Facilities Update – Mr. Grant Anderson, Director of Operations – discussed the following:

- Mr. Anderson provided an update on ongoing and upcoming facility projects as guided by the district's Master Plan.
- The key highlight is the construction of a new grades 7–12 secondary campus building, co-funded by the state (60%) and local funds (40%), with work beginning this summer and expected to last through January 2027. Constructions fences will go up in early June. Heavy utility work will require, building shutdown, restricted area access, new traffic patterns, and a reconfigured drop-off/pick-up area.
- Additional projects include a complete resurfacing of the track, warranty work on elementary gym flooring, and secondary campus gym improvements supported by the alumni network (painting, refinished floor, new bleachers).

Dr. Laurie Banks, Superintendent – discussed the following:

- State test scores, end-of-year discipline data, and results from staff surveys will be presented at the June board meeting.
- Live Stream Public Address – While there are potential liability concerns related to live streaming public addresses, once cameras are on, a district cannot turn them off, alter, or control how the content is shared during public address.
- House Bill 96 – Finneytown Local joined in with other Hamilton County superintendents in opposing House Bill 96, which could negatively impact school districts statewide, before Senate Education Committee members. The bill is scheduled for a Senate vote on June 12. The final state budget is due by June 30.

Public Address

None

Review of Action Steps

1) Start Dr. Banks Superintendent's evaluation process – Started; a meeting is set for May 28th.
2) Research and discuss at a future meeting, the potential legal liabilities associated with livestreamed public meeting public comments, over which the district may have limited control – Done, Dr. Banks provided an update in her report.

Board Coordination Matters
Board Member Reports

Mr. Rea, discussed the following items:

- Budget Bill –
  - Mr. Rea expressed deep concern regarding the direction of ongoing state budget discussions, stating he is "terrified" by the potential implications.
- Secondary PTA –
  - Mr. Rea plans to attend tomorrow evening's Secondary PTA meeting, noting that the group did not meet last month due to AfterProm events.

Mr. Reeb, discussed the following items:

- Finneytown Alumni Sponsored Book Signing will take place at Arts Connect on May 23 6:00–8:30 PM. All proceeds will benefit campus renovation projects.
- School Resource Officer Proposal and Discussion–
    - Mr. Reeb proposed the addition of a second school resource officer (SRO) to serve the district's campuses. He acknowledged that while not mandated by Ohio law—and rare in most districts—having an SRO at each campus would greatly enhance safety, particularly in response to external threats.
    - Drawing from his experience teaching in Northern Kentucky, where SROs are required by law (albeit as an unfunded mandate), Mr. Reeb emphasized the deterrent effect of visible police presence and the value of having an officer familiar with each campus layout for quicker emergency response. He cited the difference in potential response times—with a dedicated officer present versus waiting several minutes for outside intervention—as a key concern.
    - Mr. Reeb estimated the cost of an additional SRO at approximately $60,000 annually and stated that he believes this is a worthwhile investment to safeguard students and staff. He noted that he previously raised this concern two years ago and wanted to reintroduce the discussion, encouraging the board to consider the proposal over the summer.

School Resource Officer Discussion:

- Several board members and Superintendent Dr. Laurie Banks expressed appreciation for Mr. Reeb's SRO concerns but did not support moving forward with the idea at this time:
- Mr. Plaut acknowledged the merits of the idea, but also his concerns, having research this topic on his own. He praised the job our current RSO, Officer Summe, is doing, particularly his extensive training, active involvement in district safety procedure discussions and strong ties with Springfield Township. He discussed financial constraints—especially in light of upcoming state budget proposals. He noted that neither Officer Summe nor the superintendent are requesting this addition at this time.
- Ms. McMullen stated that she had not observed a pressing need for a second SRO during her building visits. She highlighted that current staff and administrative feedback do not indicate sufficient need at this time.
- Dr. Banks added that she has reviewed the matter with Officer Summe and that the district's safety team meets regularly and thoroughly evaluates the district's procedures. She plans to bring the safety team to present a full review to the board in August or September.

Ms. McMullen, discussed the following items:

- Student Opportunities:
    - Planet Fitness is offering free summer memberships for students aged 14–19.
    - YMCA is seeking student volunteers, offering a chance to earn community service hours.
    - A summer camp for young women (ages 14–16) focused on career readiness will be held June 3–27.

- Youth Soccer Camp is scheduled for June 27–29; registration links are online.
- Fall soccer registration is now open; the deadline to register is June 5.
- Open gym is available every Monday in May for incoming 5th–8th graders interested in basketball.

- Academic Updates:
  - Exams for students will take place May 30–June 3. Early release is scheduled during this period, and lunch will not be provided, so families should plan accordingly.
  - Summer school will run from June 9–19 for high school students, free of charge.
  - Class lists are now available; appreciation was expressed to the administrators for preparing them early.
- Events and Dates to Note:
  - Senior Walk**:** May 23 at 9:15 a.m. (last day for seniors).
  - Graduation**:** June 2. Board members are expected at 6:30 p.m.; ceremony begins at 7 p.m.
  - No School**:** May 26 (Memorial Day).
  - 6th Grade Promotion**:** May 29.
  - Financial Aid Webinar**:** May 22 at 6:30 p.m.
- Programs and Logistics:
  - Extended Care for K–6 students is available through the YMCA; registration is open on the YMCA website.
  - Multiple music concerts are scheduled during the week.
- Board and OSBA Updates:
  - An Excel sheet has been shared with board members to help track board-related updates.
  - Cheryl Ryan has retired; Kristi Robbins is the new OSBA representative.
  - Board Retreat coordination continues.
  - OSBA Student Achievement nominations were due May 14; program and art submissions are accepted through October 24.
  - OSBA Capital Conference will be held on November 16.

Mr. Plaut, discussed the following items:

- Board Retreat – I will be sending out an email to board members with proposed topics and dates for a Board Retreat in July.
- Senior Recognition – Congratulated all seniors who received scholarships and grants at Awards Night, expressing his great appreciation for the organizers and alumni and educators who continue to support students.
- Finneytown Alumni Network (FAN) –
  - Encouraged community members to visit finneytownalumni.org and consider becoming members.
  - Noted the alumni's Legacy Project, which is helping to fund secondary campus gymnasium and performing arts center (PAC) improvements.
- Finneytown Music Parents Association (FMPA) –
  - Thanked those who supported recent FMPA fundraisers, including the mattress sale, braided bread sale, and car wash. Proceeds benefit the orchestra, band, and elementary chorus, supporting their events and enrichment activities.
  - *Motown in Finneytown* presented by Finneytown Elementary Chorus is May 20.

- Finneytown Crusaders youth program updates –
  - Cheer practices: Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.
  - Football conditioning: Sundays at 3:00 p.m. at the old Cottonwood site
  - More information is available at crusaders-football.com

Ms. Lee, discussed the following items:

- Finneytown Athletic Association (FAA) –
  - Ms. Lee noted that the Athletic Boosters meeting was occurring concurrently with the board meeting, so she was unable to attend.
- Finneytown Athletic Association (FAA) – met on Sunday.
  - Spring sports are ongoing but have been impacted by frequent rain, leading to canceled practices and rescheduled games.
  - Fall Soccer registration will be opening soon.
- Events and Performances:
  - Orchestra Concert (May 14):
    Ms. Lee attended the orchestra performance and praised the event, noting all grades performed well and the seventh-grade musicians stood out in particular for their exceptional performance.
  - Car Wash Fundraiser:
    Ms. Lee participated in the recent car wash, describing it as a fun and successful event for a worthy cause.
- Upcoming Events –
  - Band Concert - May 21
  - Athletic/Military Signing Day - May 21
  - Project Based Learning Showcase – May 22
  - Senior Dinner & Video - May 22
  - Graduation - June 2 at 6:30 PM

85-25 Mr. Rea moved, seconded by Mr. Reeb, that the Board adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

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a) Monthly Financial Report*

Financial update:

- Records Commission and Finance Committee meetings – will be scheduled in June.
- ARP-ESSER Grant Extension – Our application requesting extension and funding of recalled ARP ESSER funds was submitted by the April 23 deadline. Ohio Senate Representatives Katherine Ingram and Bill Blessing included letters of support on behalf of the district with the request.

b) Depository and Investment Balances as of April 30, 2025*

U.S. Bank	0.0898%	$ 496,349.13
U.S. Bank (construction)	0.6600%	$ 1,858,516.34
STAR Ohio (construction #1)	4.4700%	$ 3,085,856.14
STAR Ohio	4.4700%	$ 26,151,681.46
STAR Ohio (construction #2)	4.4700%	$ 3,248,768.65
STAR Ohio (OFCC local share)	4.4700%	$ 150,082.63
STAR Ohio (OFCC state share)	4.4700%	$ 3,623,848.21

c) Interest Earned on Depository and Investment Accounts as of April 30, 2025*

General Fund 001	$ 98,299.36
Construction Fund 004	$ 23,377.02
Classroom Facilities Fund 010	$ 14,073.61

d) Monthly Bond Project Spending and Commitment Report*
[See attachment]

e) Approval of Payment - FY25*

The Board approved payment of the following invoice(s) representing purchases that were made prior to the issuance of a valid purchase order of the district:

DATE	VENDOR	AMOUNT
3/2/25	Hamilton County ESC	$ 11,340.00
(Tutoring services for students at Central Baptist School)		

RC: Mr. Plaut, yes; Mr. Rea, yes; Mr. Reeb, yes; Ms. McMullen, yes; Ms. Lee, yes. The President declared the motion passed.

86-25 Mr. Rea moved, seconded by Mr. Plaut, that the Board adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

Approval of Resolution*

The Board approved the following resolution:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

WHEREAS, this Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing July 1st, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Hamilton County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board and what part thereof is without, and what part within the ten-mill limitation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Finneytown School District, Hamilton County, Ohio that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said Board of Education the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten-mill limitation as follows:

SCHEDULE A

SUMMARY OF THE AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES

	Amount Approved by the Budget Commission Inside 10M Limitation	***Amount to be Derived from Levies Outside 10M Limitation***	***County Auditor's Estimate of the Tax Rate to be Levied***		
			Outside	*Inside*	*Total*
General Fund	$2,078,643	$10,818,219	84.27	6.51	90.78
Bond Retirement Fund		1,395,341	4.37		4.37
Permanent Improvement Fund		370,332	2.00		2.00
Emergency Fund		0	0.00		0.00
TOTAL			90.64	6.51	97.15

	Rate Authorized to be Levied	*Tax Year Cty Auditors Estimate of the Yield of Levy*	*Fiscal Year Cty Auditors Estimate of Yield of Levy*
Current Expense – Inside Mill	6.51	$2,078,643	$2,077,686

Bond Retirement	4.37	1,395,341	1,454,154

SCHEDULE B

LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES

Current Expense Levies	*Period of Time*		*Mills*	*Tax Year*	*Fiscal Year*
Authorized on	3/11/69	Continuing	23.70	1,949,678	1,948,760
	6/9/70	Continuing	5.82	478,782	478,556
	11/2/76	Continuing	3.80	312,607	312,459
	6/3/80	Continuing	7.90	82,383	782,001
	11/6/84	Continuing	5.00	576,594	576,318
	5/2/89	Continuing	7.95	1,057,007	1,056,477
	11/3/92	Continuing	6.25	985,325	984,834
	11/6/01	Continuing	7.95	1,558,615	1,557,854
	11/2/04	Continuing	7.95	1,558,615	1,557,854
	5/4/10	Continuing	7.95	1,558,615	1,557,854
TOTAL			84.27	10,818,219	10,812,969
Proposed Current Expense Levy					
Date of Vote:			0.00	0	0
Emergency Tax Levies					
Authorized on:			0.00	0	0
TOTAL			0.00	0	0
Permanent Improvement Levy					
Authorized on:	11/3/98	Continuing	1.50	269,478	269,343
	11/5/19	23 Years	0.50	100,855	100,806
Proposed on:					
Proposed Date of Vote		#years	0.00	0	0
TOTAL			2.00	370,332	370,149

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of this Board of Education be, and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Hamilton County.

RC: Mr. Plaut, yes; Mr. Rea, yes; Mr. Reeb, yes; Ms. McMullen, yes; Ms. Lee, yes. The President declared the motion passed.

87-25 Mr. Plaut moved, seconded by Ms. Lee, that the Board adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

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a) Acknowledgement of Resignations*

The Board acknowledged the following resignations, which have been previously accepted by the Superintendent:

Ashley Lewis	4th Grade Teacher effective June 30, 2025	(personal)
Breahna Satterfield	5th Grade Teacher effective June 30, 2025	(personal)
Evienne Epifano	Social Studies Teacher effective June 30, 2025	(personal)

b) Approval of Administrative Contract Revisions*

The Board approved revisions to the following Administrative Contracts, effective August 1, 2025:

Laurie Banks	146,016.00 (Pickup on Pickup $23,304)
Grant Anderson	124,352.00 (Pickup on Pickup $6,902)
Jen Dinan	134,075.00 (Pickup on Pickup $21,398)

Lisa Samuel	93,067.00 (Pickup on Pickup $5,305)
Carol Miller	121,361.00 (Pickup on Pickup $19,369)
Meredith Baker	105,835.00 (Pickup on Pickup $16,891)
Anton Walker	103,012.00 (Pickup on Pickup $5,872)
Jessie Martin	93,269.00 (Pickup on Pickup $5,316)
Tom Snyder	88,400.00 (Pickup on Pickup $5,039)

c) Approval of Contracts – One Year Limited Certified*

The Board approved one year limited contracts for the following new certified staff members, effective August 11, 2025 through May 29, 2026:

Calista Flores	HS Math Teacher
Lilly Volz	4th Grade Teacher
Lydia Ford Alston	5th Grade Teacher

d) Approval of Contracts – One Year Limited Certified*

The Board approved one year limited contracts for the following returning certified staff members, effective August 11, 2025 through May 29, 2026:

David Backer
Shannon Backer
Kristin Barnes
Olivia Bause
Lindsey Brinkman
Macy Bruner
Jennifer Brunsman
Thomas Budday
Julia Burchwell
Ronda Byndon

Lacey Casanova
Autumn Christensen
Shannon Cleghorn
Meredith Cottrell
Juliah Crepage
Angela Creutzinger
Bradley Delaney
Marina Deters
Sarah Diaz
Rebecca Facktor
Phil Farr
Elijah Fenwick-Sanders
Kayla Fields
Kerry Finley
Elizabeth Florea
Samuel Fronk
Queylah Gaines
Megan Geis
Daniel Geisel
Matthew George
Michael Grote
Carrie Hamsher
Haley Hansberry
Melissa Hawkins
Heather Howard
Jeannette Jinkinson
Ben Johnston
Megan Kelly
Sophia Long
Madeline Matson
Ariel McCoy
Allison McCrea
Kevin McCrea
Teyah McEntush
Brenna Miller
Megan Murphy
Kaitlyn Pitchford
Elizabeth Proctor
Grace Rambo
Nancy Rouse
Johnathan Schramm
William Seger
Caroline Slone
Jessica Stegman
Amanda Stevenson
Armand Tatum
Angeline Trombley
Constance Turner
Lynn Volz
Amanda Vordenberg
Max Wildenhaus
David Wolferst
Lintonia Wyche
Tonya Zerkle

e) Approval of Contracts – One Year Retired/Rehired Certified*

The Board approved one year limited contracts for the following returning retired/rehired certified staff members, effective August 11, 2025 through May 29, 2026:

Al Bolton
Kathleen White

f) Approval of Contracts – One Year Retired/Rehired Classified*

The Board approved one year limited contracts for the following returning retired/rehired classified staff members, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026:

Randy Hajer
Sandy Haskin

g) Approval of Contract – Athletic Supplemental 2024-2025*

The Board approved the following supplemental contract, effective August 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025:

Angie Sandmann	Assistant Varsity Softball Coach	$1,656.00
Greg Jones	Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach	$1,753.00
Vincent Pass	Assistant HS Football Coach	$1,800.00
Brain Watson	Head Girls Varsity Softball Coach	$3,312.00

h) Approval of Pay Rates for Exempt Employees*

The Board approved the following pay rates for exempt staff members, effective July 1, 2025:

Amy Klosterman	**$59,488.00**
Melissa Read	**$56,772.00**
Krystalyn Goodson	**$55,000.00**
Joe Vlachos	**$81,326.00**
Elizabeth Jungkunz	**$62,686.00**
Gerald Warmack	**$102,752.00**
LaTora Gooden	**$32.45/hr.**

Patti Schnur	**$26.68/hr.**
Chris Callahan	**$30.82/hr.**

i) Approval of Payment – Classified Staff Members*

The Board approved payment to the following classified staff member who will perform duties outside of the regular work schedule, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025:

Mike Fairman	Summer School	$20.62/hr.

j) Approval of Payment – Certified Staff Members*

The Board approved payment to the following certified staff member who will perform duties outside of the regular work schedule, effective August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025:

Macy Bruner	Summer School	$19.87/hr.
Will Seger	Summer School	$19.87/hr.

k) Approval of Graduation Class of 2025

The Board approved the Finneytown High School Graduation Class of 2025 (see attached roster), pending successful completion of all requirements.

l) Approval of Agreement - HCESC*

The Board approved the following agreement:

Finneytown Local School District with Hamilton County Educational Service Center to provide specific special services and instructional services for the 2025-2026 school year.

The projected cost is $895,806 to the General Fund and $965,103.80 to all funds.

m) APPROVAL of RESOLUTION - RESOLUTION TO RESCIND PRIOR BOARD ACTION(S) AND ADOPT SPECIAL EDUCATION MODEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – V1.0 2025*

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 3323.08 requires each school district to provide assurances to the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce ("DEW") that the district will provide for the education of children with disabilities within its jurisdiction and has in effect policies, procedures, and programs that are consistent with the policies and procedures adopted by DEW; and

WHEREAS, the DEW developed and released an updated document in December 2024 entitled "Special Education Model Policies and Procedures" ("2024 Model Policies"), which it notified educational agencies that they could adopt to fulfill the legal requirement described in the preceding paragraph; and

WHEREAS, on Feb 18, 2025, the Board approved Resolution 29-25(g) to adopt a modified version of the DEW's 2024 Model Policies that expressly revised and/or deleted language from the DEW's original 2024 Model Policies to ensure the District's compliance with applicable State and Federal laws and caselaw; and

WHEREAS, on or about April 4, 2025, the DEW released an updated Special Education Model Policies and Procedures –v1.0 2025 ("2025 Model Policies"); and

WHEREAS, the Board is interested in rescinding its earlier action(s) – i.e., Resolution 29-25(g) and Resolution 53-25(e) – and, instead, adopting the DEW's 2025 Model Policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby rescinds Board Resolution(s) 29-25(g) and 53-25(e) and adopts the DEW's 2025 Model Policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board acknowledges that the 2025 Model Policies, while comprehensive, do not include every requirement set forth in the IDEA, the regulations implementing the IDEA, the Operating Standards, the Ohio Revised Code ("ORC"), and/or the Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC"), and the Board recognizes its obligation to follow these laws, along with applicable caselaw, regardless of whether their provisions and/or interpretations are accurately restated and/or reflected in the 2025 Model Policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board directs the Superintendent to notify the DEW of the Board's adoption of the 2025 Model Policies through the DEW's Monitoring System by uploading a copy of this Board resolution within the timeframes set forth by the DEW.

n) Approval of RESOLUTION - Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council*

Board Resolution for Requesting District Membership with the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council

Be it Resolved that Finneytown Local School District, hereby agrees to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council, (EPC) and elects to become a member of the EPC, a Regional Council of Governments under Chapter 167 of the Ohio Revised Code.

o) Approval of RESOLUTION - Authorize SOEPC to advertise and receive school bus bids on behalf of District*

The Board approved the following resolution:

RESOLUTION Whereas the Finneytown Local School District Board of Education wishes to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of 1 or more school buses Therefore, be it resolved the Finneytown Local School District Board of Education wishes to participate and authorize the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council to advertise and receive bids on said Boards' behalf as per the specifications submitted for the cooperative purchase of 1 or more school buses.

p) Approval of Resolution- Hamilton County Interagency Transition Agreement

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Finneytown Local School District recognizes the necessity of coordinating services for children with disabilities, ages birth through five, residing within the district, in accordance with federal and state requirements including the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Ohio Administrative Code 3301-51-11; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges the benefits of interagency collaboration in facilitating a seamless continuum of services for children eligible or suspected of being eligible for special education and early intervention services; and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Agreement ("Agreement") titled *Hamilton County Interagency Transition Agreement, March 2025* has been developed by and among the following entities:

- Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency Head Start
- Hamilton County Educational Service Center Head Start
- Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services – Early Intervention (HCDDS-EI)
- Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in Hamilton County, including Finneytown Local School District

WHEREAS, the Agreement outlines clear interagency responsibilities related to child find, referral processes, screening, evaluation, eligibility determination, development and implementation of Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) and Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), transition planning, service delivery, family engagement, staff training, and dispute resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement fulfills requirements under IDEA Part B and Part C, Ohio Administrative Code, Head Start Program Performance Standards, and aligns with the Preschool Rules adopted December 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement promotes best practices in inclusive education, shared service delivery models, and continuous interagency communication, monitoring, and evaluation; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Finneytown Local School District have reviewed and provided feedback to the Interagency Agreement Committee and the final version of the Agreement has been signed by designated superintendents and agency officials;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Finneytown Local School District hereby approves and adopts the Hamilton County Interagency Transition Agreement, March 2025, as a binding framework for interagency coordination and service delivery for preschool children with disabilities residing in the district;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent or their designee is authorized to implement the Agreement, participate in required review meetings, and facilitate all obligations contained therein, including submission of district-specific contact information and participation in shared trainings and transition planning activities.

q) Approval of Student Fees - 2025-2026*

The Board approved the following Student Fees for the 2025-2026 school year:

Secondary Campus

Seventh Grade **$75.00**
ID, assignment books, bus trips, media center supplies and consumable classroom supplies

Eighth Grade **$75.00**
ID, assignment books, bus trips, media center supplies, and consumable classroom supplies

Ninth Grade **$105.00**
ID, school planner, bus trips, media center supplies and consumable classroom supplies

Tenth Grade **$105.00**
ID, school planner, bus trips, media center supplies and consumable classroom supplies

Eleventh Grade **$95.00**
ID, school planner, bus trips, media center supplies and consumable classroom supplies

Twelfth Grade **$80.00**
ID, school planner, bus trips, media center supplies and consumable classroom supplies

Additional / Optional Fees:

Student Parking Pass $55.00

Additional fees may apply for other materials and events including, but not limited to:

Field Trips
Lost Books
Media Center Fines
Book Rebinding Fees
Advance Placement Testing
Yearbook
Memory Book
Summer School
Summer Sports Camps
Sporting Event Admission
Musical/Play Admission
School Dances
Prom/Homecoming Tickets
Spirit Packs
Band Camp

Elementary
Full-Day Kindergarten **$40.00**
Consumer supplies (such as paper), items for projects, subscriptions (magazines), assemblies, art and science supplies

First Grade **$25.00**
Consumable supplies (such as paper), items for projects, subscriptions (magazines), assemblies, art and science supplies

Second Grade **$25.00**
Consumable supplies (such as paper), items for projects, subscriptions (magazines), assemblies, art and science supplies

Third Grade **$30.00**
Consumable supplies (such as paper), items for projects, subscriptions (magazines), assemblies, art and science supplies

Fourth Grade **$30.00**
Consumable supplies (such as paper), items for projects, subscriptions (magazines), assemblies, art and science supplies, recorders for music

Fifth Grade **$35.00**
Consumable supplies (such as paper), items for projects, subscriptions (magazines), assemblies, art and science supplies, assignment and vocabulary books

Sixth Grade **$55.00**
ID, assignment books, bus trips, media center supplies and consumable classroom supplies

r) Acceptance of Donations*

The Board accepted the following donation(s):

A cash donation of $40.00 to the Finneytown Board of Education from the Finneytown Boosters Association for the House System on May 6, 2025;

A cash donation of $1,764.10 to the Finneytown Board of Education from Finneytown Music Parents Association for Marching Band on April 21, 2025.

RC: Mr. Reeb, yes; Ms. McMullen, yes; Ms. Lee, yes; Mr. Plaut, yes; Mr. Rea, yes. The President declared the motion passed.

88-25 Approval of Substitute Teachers Provided by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions

Mr. Plaut moved, seconded by Mr. Rea, the Board approved the following substitute teachers who are employed by Comprehensive Solutions and may be assigned to fill absences for the Finneytown Local School District, effective May 15, 2025:

Amann, Michael
Ayler, Charles
Baker, Tyler
Baldock, Jason
Barton, NaDeera
Besl-Ali, Carley
Binford, Cornelia
Blanks, Earl
Blyberg, Zachary
Bonifas, Elizabeth
Braswell, Keith
Brewer, Valeri
Brinkman, Rosa
Burkhardt, Heather
Buskirk, Delores
Campbell, Emily
Campbell-Goodman, Steven
Casada, Abigail
Chaffer, La'shawntay
Chamlagai, Tanka
Champion-Hughes, Bianca
Chandler, Cyndi
Chapple, Keariah
Clark, Sterling
Collins, Marecka
Cook, Gary
Copeland, David
Coyne, Eleanor
Davis, Brandon
Davis, Rollins
Demus, Clemon
Dunigan, Janee
Espel, Linda
Falhaber, Leslie
Fischoff, Ann
Fisk, Summer
Fowler, Niah
Fromme, Ashley
Gentry, Jennifer
Giffin, David
Gorby, Lily
Gray, Kiara
Greco, Mary
Green, Keaira
Haarlammert, Stephanie
Hall, Dennis
Hardy, Diane
Hartman, Ronald
Haugan, Andrea
Hawkins-Hyde, Kellie
Hess, Leanne
Hoeffer, Kathy
Horton, Vanius
Howard, Elaine
Hubbard, Latoya
Hunter, Toccara
Jaccobs, Corey
Jackson, Shirley
Jarrell, Max
Johnson, Andrew
Jones, Brianna
Jones, Darrell
Jones, Trevor
Kahle, Anna
Kaufman, Fletcher
Kelley-Gerton, Lisa
Kennedy, Angel
King, Sharon
Lacure, Elizabeth
Lalley, Teresa
Le, Morgan
Lyons, Dayonna
Madriz, Gabriela
Madry, Thomas
Martin, Artis
Mason, Ebony
Maxam, William
Meier, Paulette
Miles, Linda
Miller, Kayla
Miller, Savannah
Mock, Taylor
Morris, Alexia
Namenyi, Tytus
Nashid, Wadeeah
Nienaber, Jennifer
Page, Candace
Pass, Vincent
Periferaki, Despina
Phipps, Marilyn
Pickett, Jonathan
Pittman, Felicia
Pollington, Connie
Potensky, Chris
Powell, Christina
Price, Tanya
Redburn, Jalen
Reeb, Rebecca
Rendleman-Smith, Shay
Reppart, Jackson
Reyna, Luzelena
Rice, Alisha

Richey, Sheila
Robinson, Marilyn
Ruffner, Sara
Schnur, Bethany
Schuster, Jason
Sfarnas, Jim
Shaw, Phyllis
Simpson, Estacia
Simpson, Gracie
Smith, Alexander
Smith, Kimberly
Stevenson, Alisha
Still, Cameryn
Tennyson, Emma
Thomas, Nyla
Thompson, Saige
Tigert, Aaron
Tubbs, Quinetta
Turner, Alisha
Tyree, Alfred
Walker, Kimberly
Walton, Ronald
Ward, Nicole
Warren-Calligan, Sebrena
Washington, Autumn
Watkins, Aimee
Watson, Kendall
Weiler, Michael
Weirich, Helen
Wesley, Kate
Wilson, Celina
Wilson, Makayla
Wilson, Max
Winter, Stephany
Wise, Donnise
Witcher, Diana
Yisrael, Nesyah

RC: Ms. McMullen, yes; Ms. Lee, yes; Mr. Plaut, yes; Mr. Rea, yes; Mr. Reeb, abstain. The President declared the motion passed.

Review of Action Steps

1) Superintendent's evaluation completion – Ms. McMullen, Mr. Plaut
2) Board Retreat planning email – Mr. Plaut
3) Schedule Records Commission meeting – Mr. Oliverio
4) Schedule Finance Committee Meeting – Mr. Oliverio

The next regular meeting of the Finneytown Board of Education will take place on Monday, June 16, 2025 in the Brent Board Office Meeting Room, 8791 Brent Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45231. Open forum will begin at 6:00pm.

89-25 There being no further business, Mr. Plaut moved, seconded by Ms. Lee, that the meeting be adjourned. The president declared the meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.

Jelicia McMullen

Jelicia McMullen, President

ATTEST: David Oliverio

David L. Oliverio, Treasurer