

FREMONT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Summary
March 24, 2025

Roll Call

MOTION 63-25 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting held March 10, 2025

MOTION 64-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEMS 1, 2 and 3

Item 1 – Approval of resignations

Item 2 – Approval of appointments

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MOTION 65-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEM 4

Item 4 – Approval of supplemental contract

MOTION 66-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEMS 5, 6 and 7

Item 5 – Approval of resolution for supplemental duty positions

Item 6 – Approval of resolution for supplemental duty positions

Item 7 – Approval of status changes

MOTION 67-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEM 8

Item 8 – Approval of Elementary Summer Intervention (K-2)

MOTION 68-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEM 9

Item 9 – Approval of Elementary Summer Intervention (3-5)

MOTION 69-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEM 10

Item 10 – Approval of Fremont Middle School Summer Intervention (6-8)

MOTION 70-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEM 11

Item 11 – Approval of Ross Credit Recovery Intervention

MOTION 71-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEM 12

Item 12 – Approval of Ohio State Tests Summer Intervention

MOTION 72-25 FISCAL – ITEM 13

Item 13– Approval of the February FY 2025 financial report

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Item 14 – Approval of supplemental appropriations

MOTION 74-25 ADJOURNMENT

**Fremont City Schools
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The Fremont City Board of Education of the Fremont City School District, in Sandusky County, Ohio met on Monday, March 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fremont Ross High School, Performing Arts Center, 1100 North Street, Fremont, Ohio and Live Stream District Website:
<http://www.fremontschools.net/livestream>.

Board President Thomas Price presiding

Pledge of Allegiance: **Lead by Aziyah “Zy” Keith, 5th grade student at Lutz Elementary**

Roll Call:	Thomas Price, Board President	Present
	Sarah Lewis, Board Vice-President	Present
	Lori Bloom	Present
	Laura Lehmann	Present
	Don Nalley	Present

MOTION 63-25 Approval of minutes

Motion by Ms. Lehmann, seconded by Mrs. Bloom, to approve and sign the minutes of the regular meeting held March 24, 2025.

Ayes: Lehmann, Bloom, Lewis, Nalley, Price

Motion carried. 5-0

COMMUNITY

- The Learning & Liberty Foundation- Stellar Students - Grades 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8

Sue Brickner, from the Learning and Liberty Foundation, Superintendent Denice Hirt, Ross Senior Arrayah Witmer, School/Parent Liaison Anita Cortez and FCS Board Member Lori Bloom presented the Learning and Liberty Foundation Stellar Students awards to grades 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Fourth Grade Students were:

Marcelino Alejandro and Jahzia Johnson – Atkinson
Jaxston Ruppert, Cristian Ordaz-Lorenzo and Shawnah Brown– Croghan
Rey Reyna III, Stevie Williams and Josiah Johnson – Lutz
Alan Reyes, Travis Johnson and Landon Voelker - Otis

Fifth Grade Students were:

Kaylee Beckley and Tymira Flenoy– Atkinson
Cameron Mierke, Edgar Sierra Jr. and Neveah Garza – Croghan
Amelia Johnson, Makayla DeWalt and Angelica Morales – Lutz
Michael Spears, Brock Crowell and Melaiyah Jones - Otis

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Sixth Grade Students were:

Lia Baatz – Team Miami
Luciana Gomez-Osorio – Team Tiffin
Quinn Ontiveros – Team Heidelberg

Seventh Grade Students were:

Colten Diller – Team Capital
Lillyn Gabel – Team Ohio
Kayden Kromer – Team Toledo

Eighth Grade Students were:

Bree Myers – Team Findlay
Jarek Mackey – Team BGSU
Sheyla Morales-Salinas – Team Cincinnati

- Denice Hirt wanted to recognize Officer Overa as City Council’s Officer of the Year.

Legislative Liaison Report by Mr. Nalley

- He remarked that State legislation is introducing more proposals concerning the reduction and/or elimination of some property taxes and other proposals regarding moving funds away from public education. Additional items of note were discussions regarding bus safety.

Walk on Items

- None

First Hearing of the Public

- None

Recommendations of the Superintendent

- Finance Committee- Report presented by Don Nalley
- Health & Wellness - Report presented by Laura Lehmann

STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT

Staff

MOTION 64-25

Motion by Mr. Nalley, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve staff matters – Items 1, 2 and 3

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Item 1. Consider approval of the following resignations

Resignation
Certified: Michael Schuppenies
Teacher
Reason: Retirement
Effective: July 1, 2025

Resignation
Support Staff: Catherine Rhoad
Cook
Reason: Resignation
Effective: March 10, 2025

Item 2. Consider approval of the following appointments

A. Appointment for the 2024-2025 school year:

Certified Staff Substitute: Hannah Shoffner*

*Employment of the above certified substitute is contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements.

B. Appointments for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name: William Brooks
Support Staff: 3-Hour Cook (LR-1.02)
Account: General
Salary: Step 1 @ \$15.68/hr effective March 25, 2025

Support Staff Substitutes: Brianne Harder, Trent McMurray

Item 3. Consider approval of the following supplemental contracts

Appointments for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Duty</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Nichole Almroth	Lutz	OST Tutor (150 total hours split)	\$25.00/hr
Elizabeth Schultz	Otis	Music Program (Fall)	\$50.00/hr

**Ayes: Nalley, Lewis Bloom, Lehmann, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

MOTION 65-25

Motion by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lehmann, to approve staff matters – Item 4

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Item 4. Consider approval of the following supplemental contract

Appointment for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Duty</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cassidy Price	Otis	OST Tutor (150 total hours split)	\$25.00/hr

Ayes: Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis Nalley

Abstain: Price

Motion carried. 4-0-1

MOTION 66-25

Motion by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Nalley, to approve staff matters – Items 5, 6 and 7

Item 5. Consider approval of resolution for supplemental duty positions

It is recommended that the following resolution be approved for adoption:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The supplemental duty positions set forth in Section 2 of this resolution have been offered to those employees of the Fremont City Schools who have a license issued under O.R.C. 3319.22, and no such employees who are qualified to fill the positions have accepted them, and the positions have then been advertised or otherwise made available to any individuals with such a license who are qualified to fill them and who are not employed by the Board, and no such persons have applied for and accepted the positions.

Section 2. The Board hereby employs the following non-certified persons to perform the listed supplemental duties at the stated rate of pay for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Duty</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jayce Vancena	Ross	Varsity Asst Baseball Coach	Volunteer

Section 3. The Board President, Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to execute supplemental duty contracts with the person identified in Section 2 of this resolution.

Section 4. The Board finds that the resolution has been adopted in accordance with all legal requirements including O.R.C. Sec. 121.22.

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Section 2. The Board hereby employs the following non-certified persons to perform the listed supplemental duties at the stated rate of pay for the 2025-2026 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Duty</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Lisa Wolfe	Ross	Head Tennis Coach-Girls' D-10	\$5,652.00

Section 3. The Board President, Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to execute supplemental duty contracts with the person identified in Section 2 of this resolution.

Section 4. The Board finds that the resolution has been adopted in accordance with all legal requirements including O.R.C. Sec. 121.22.

Item 7. Consider approval of the following status changes

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of John Elder from Head Cross Country Coach at Ross, E-10 @ \$4,702.00 to Head Cross Country Coach at Ross, D-10 @ \$5,486.00 effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Lisa Wolfe from Head Tennis Coach-Girls at Ross, E-10 @ \$4,702.00 to Head Tennis Coach-Girls at Ross, D-10 @ \$5,486.00 effective for the 2024-2025 school year.

Ayes: Lewis, Nalley, Bloom, Lehmann, Price
Motion carried. 5-0

MOTION 67-25

Motion by Ms. Lehmann, seconded by Mrs. Bloom, to approve staff matters – Item 8

Item 8. Consider approval of Elementary Summer Intervention (K-2)

It is recommended that approval be granted to offer summer intervention to Fremont City School students currently in grades K-2. Summer intervention will be held at an elementary school on weekdays (Monday – Friday) beginning June 9, 2025, through June 27, 2025, with the exception of June 19 - 20, from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Staff dates will be June 6, 2025, through June 30, 2025. This is to be paid from General Fund, Food Service, and Title I.

Ayes: Lehmann, Bloom, Lewis, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0

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MOTION 68-25

Motion by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Nalley, to approve staff matters – Item 9

Item 9. Consider approval of Elementary Summer Intervention (3-5)

It is recommended that approval be granted to offer summer intervention to Fremont City School students currently in grades 3-5. Summer intervention will be held at an elementary school on weekdays (Monday – Friday) beginning June 9, 2025, through June 27, 2025, with the exception of June 19 - 20, from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Staff dates will be June 6, 2025, through June 30, 2025. This is to be paid from General Fund, Food Service and Title I.

**Ayes: Lewis, Nalley, Bloom, Lehmann, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

MOTION 69-25

Motion by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lehmann, to approve staff matters – Item 10

Item 10. Consider approval of Fremont Middle School Summer Intervention (6-8)

It is recommended that approval be granted to offer summer intervention to Fremont City School students currently in grades 6-8. Summer intervention will be held at Fremont Middle School on weekdays (Monday - Thursday) beginning June 9, 2025, through June 26, 2025, with the exception of June 19 - 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Staff dates will be June 6, 2025, through June 27, 2025. This is to be paid from General Fund and Title I.

**Ayes: Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

MOTION 70-25

Motion by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Nalley, to approve staff matters – Item 11

Item 11. Consider approval of Ross Credit Recovery Intervention

It is recommended that approval be granted to offer summer Ross credit recovery intervention for students in grades 9-12. Credit recovery intervention will be held at Ross High School on weekdays (Monday – Friday) beginning June 16, 2025, through August 8, 2025, with the exception of June 19 - 20 and July 4, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Staff dates will be June 13, 2025, through August 11, 2025. Students will be charged \$110.00 for participation in this program. This is to be paid from General Fund.

**Ayes: Lewis, Nalley, Bloom, Lehmann, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

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MOTION 71-25

Motion by Ms. Lehmann, seconded by Mrs. Bloom, to approve staff matters – Item 12

Item 12. Consider approval of Ohio State Tests Summer Intervention

It is recommended that approval be granted to offer Ohio State Tests (OST) summer intervention to Fremont City School students who are in need of test passage for graduation. OST summer intervention will be held at Ross High School on weekdays (Monday – Friday) beginning June 23, 2025, through June 27, 2025, from 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. Staff dates will be June 20, 2025, through June 30, 2025. This is to be paid from General Fund and Title I.

**Ayes: Lehmann, Bloom, Lewis, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

FISCAL

Report of the Treasurer

Recommendations of the Treasurer

MOTION 72-25

Motion by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lehmann, to approve fiscal matters – Item 13

Item 13. Consider approval of the February FY 2025 financial report

It is recommended that the February FY 2025 financial report be approved (copy on file at Birchard Public Library).

**Ayes: Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

MOTION 73-25

Motion by Mr. Nalley, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve fiscal matters – Item 14

Item 14. Consider approval of supplemental appropriations

It is recommended that the following changes be made to the FY25 Permanent Appropriations approved on June 24, 2024.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Increase</u>
200-9158	Class of 2026	\$2,000.00

**Ayes: Nalley, Lewis, Bloom, Lehmann, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

Mrs. Bloom – It was good to see all the Stellar Students this evening. Thank you to all the teachers for their hard work with the children. Congratulations to Mr. Schuppenies on his retirement.

Ms. Lehmann – Congratulations to all the award winners this evening and thank you to all the parents, teachers, principals and additional staff who stand behind the students. She encouraged the students to go out into the world and make a difference by being good leaders. She attended Grease the musical this past weekend and enjoyed it very much. A lot of hard work went into this production and the audience enjoyed it very much. Good job kids!

Ms. Lewis – Mr. Schuppenies is a favorite of many students and we thank him for his many years of service to our district. It was good to see all the Stellar Students and their families and hear all of the wonderful things that were said about these kids, but it was very insightful to hear what the students had to say about what it takes to be a Stellar Student and tells us who these kids really are. The Grease musical was fantastic and had a great audience turnout. Special thanks to Director Julia Zucker, Scott Havice, Keith Damschroder, Kylie Mears, Mr. Vassar and his art students, Henry Gegorski and the Fremont Ross Music Boosters for their help with this production. Along with everyone previously mentioned, Ms. Lewis wanted to recognize the students who choreographed the dance numbers in the musical: Alison Durbin, Kayla Schwochow, Megan Sherman and Allie Trickett. They all did a wonderful job!

Mr. Nalley – He questioned the dismantling of the Department of Education and how it will affect us going forward and he is quite concerned. On a different note, he has seen some very positive changes under Tim Warren, our Transportation Manager's leadership. Congratulations to the Stellar Students tonight, it has been neat to hear that our kids are striving to be good leaders and people. He also wanted to point out what a great leader we have in Denice Hirt, and things are going very well.

Mr. Price – Congratulations to all the Stellar Students and great job on all their hard work. Thank you to the families who are raising great kids! Shout out to the younger wrestlers in the sixth grade and below teams, who travelled to the Youngstown State Tournament last weekend and the seventh and eighth grade teams, who competed at OAC, which is their state tournament. Congratulations to all the participants.

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MOTION 74-25 Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Mrs. Bloom, to adjourn the special board meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Ayes: Lewis, Bloom, Lehmann, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0

APPROVED:

President

Date: _____

Treasurer