

August 14, 2025 at 9:25 a.m.

The Kelleys Island Board of Education met in regular session for the transaction of business. Janet Wermuth, Board President, called the regular meeting to order. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Kathey Phinney, Mrs. Nataliya Makarova-Skeans, Ms. Abbey Rosado, and Mrs. Janet Wermuth.

Janet Wermuth, Board President, led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Kathey Phinney and seconded by Nataliya Skeans to approve the agenda plus noted additions.

Roll Call: Phinney, yes; Skeans, yes; Rosado, yes; Wermuth, yes.

Motion Passed.

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Agenda

Jackie Taylor's Field Station Director report:

KIFS 2025 Program & Group Schedule

May

16 Berlin Hts Middle School (110 Students)

24 Science Saturdays-Plankton & Macroinvertebrates, Heidelberg University- Dr. Doug Kane (32 people- State Park)

31 Science Saturdays- Snakes, along with water snake researchers (75 people- school)

June

7 Science Saturdays-Salamanders (72 people- school)

School Tours (49 participants)

14 Science Saturdays-Frogs (canceled due to weather)

21 Science Saturdays-Turtles and frogs (160 people- state park)

23-27 Nature Camp ages 4-8 (33 campers)

28 Science Saturdays-Fishing (60 kids did not include adults)

July

June 30-4 Nature Camp ages 9-12 (27 campers)

5 Science Saturdays-Turtles (120- state park)

12 Science Saturdays-Turtles (110 state park)

School Tours 1PM (77 Participants)

23 OSU Class

24 Division of Wildlife Celebration- Columbus, OH

26 Science Saturdays-Butterflies

28 Project WET Workshop at OSU Stone Lab with Ohio EPA (see attached doc)

August

2 Science Saturdays-Pollinators

School Tours 1PM

9 KI Homecoming

16 Science Saturdays- Geology, Ohio Geological Survey

23 Pollinators & Pancakes

29 University of Findlay

30 Science Saturdays- Monarch Butterflies & Tagging

September

Monarch Butterfly Tagging will take place throughout the month

9 YAC Group

13 Monarch Fest on PIB

14 Kelleys Island Field Station Day & Celebration

18 N Ridgeville 5th grade school group

20 Twin Oast Butterfly Program

21 Clyde HS School Group

October

10 NPESC Professional Teaching

17 OR 24 Norwalk School Group

Betty Schwiefert, Treasurer, reviewed the July 2025 financial report, an advance back to the general fund and also inserviced the board on its financial report and financial timelines.

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Ben Ohlemacher, Superintendent, shared the following information:

1. Mission & Vision updates
 - samples
 - guide
2. Tall Ship Appledore IV update
 - Primary date: Tuesday, August 26th (afternoon of school hours)
 - Backup date: Wednesday, August 27th (afternoon of school hours)
3. Pavilion update & dedication
 - KIFS day & ribbon cutting September 14th at 1pm
 - FB post
 - Life on Kelleys
4. Superintendent & Treasurer evaluation creation
5. School Safety: window update
 - School Pride consultation (exterior & interior)
 - Buckeye Sun Control
6. KI Facility Plan update
7. School Calendar
8. 125th Anniversary Celebration: Homecoming 2026 TBD
 - Is Sunday of Homecoming an appropriate date & time?
 - Cook out?
9. Library roof update
10. NPESC Administrative Retreat
11. Sandusky Library Executive Director: William Rutger
12. Safe Haven Health & Wellness: Social Emotional Learning Standards
13. Staff & student handbooks: action item
14. CORAS membership: action item
15. RG Advisors agreement: action item
16. NEOLA updates: action item
17. conditional employment of Rodney Miller

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Business

It was moved by Kathey Phinney and seconded by Nataliya Skeans to approve the following:

- approve the minutes of the July 17, 2025 regular meeting as presented.
- approve the financial reports for July 2025 as presented.
- approve \$6,025.00 advance back from FY25 ADAMSS grant fund (019-9025) to General Fund (001).
- approve the following additions to the Kelleys Island Local School District board policy manual:

March 2025: Special Update

January 2025: Special Update

Policy 5136.01R

Policy 7400.01

January 2025: SB 29

January 2025: Local Update Volume 43 Number 2

Policy 0131.1

Policy 1422.01

Policy 2260.02

Policy 2271

Policy 2340

Policy 2431

Policy 2460

Policy 5131

Policy 5223

Policy 5330

Policy 5350

Policy 5460

Policy 5610

Policy 5751

Policy 5780

Policy 6151

Policy 7421

Policy 8141

Policy 8452

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Policy 0100

Policy 0142.1

Policy 0151

Policy 0152

Policy 0155

Policy 0163

Policy 0164

Policy 0165

Policy 0165.2

Policy 0166

Policy 0167.2

Policy 0167.7

Policy 0173

Policy 4120.08

Policy 4121

Policy 5136

Policy 5200

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- Policy 5500
- Policy 5780
- Policy 6220
- Policy 6320
- Policy 7530.02
- Policy 7540.03
- Policy 7540.04
- Policy 7540.09
- Policy 8310
- Policy 9160

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- Policy 6110
- Policy 6111
- Policy 6112
- Policy 6114
- Policy 6325
- Policy 6550
- Policy 7310
- Policy 7450

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- Policy 2623
- Policy 2623.02
- Policy 3120.04
- Policy 3140
- Policy 4124
- Policy 4140
- Policy 5310
- Policy 8650
- Policy 8660

-approve the following deletions to the Kelleys Island Local School District board policy manual:

Redactions

- Policy 0165.1
- Policy 0171
- Policy 2460
- Policy 7530.01 V1
- Policy 7530.01 V2

- approve the 2025-2026 Kelleys Island Local School District School staff handbook as presented.
 - approve the 2025-2026 Kelleys Island Local School District School student handbook as presented.
 - approve membership in CORAS Legislative Council at a cost of \$5,000.00 annually through the North Point Educational Service Center.
 - approve agreement with RG Advisors at a cost of \$1,000.00 monthly.
 - appoint Kathey Phinney as delegate to the 2025 OSBA Capital Conference and Deb Haig as the delegate alternate.
 - approve providing transportation and associated costs for pre-school, elementary, and secondary students, in compliance with ORC 3327.01, to attend handicapped programs, EHOVE Career Center, post-secondary option at Firelands Campus, field trips and athletic team events for the 2025-2026 school year.
 - approve quote from Buckeye Sun Control for window security film at a cost of \$8,320.00
- Roll Call: Phinney, yes; Skeans, yes; Rosado, yes; Wermuth, yes.
Motion Passed.

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Kathey Phinney to employ Rodney L. Miller as Music Teacher, part-time as needed, for the 2025-2026 school year contingent upon completion of all employment requirements. Salary based on the approved salary schedule, degree and verified years of experience.

Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Wermuth, yes.
Motion Passed.

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Personnel

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans to adjourn, seconded by Kathey Phinney to adjourn.

Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Wermuth, yes.
Motion passed.

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Adjourn

The board adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Board President

Board Treasurer