

MINUTES
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Summit County Educational Service Center

The Board of Governors of the Summit Educational Service Center met at 4:37p.m. for the 2025 Organizational Meeting of the Educational Service Center on January 21, 2025.

The following members were present: Mr. Chadsey, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Sturkey and Mrs. Weber.

Resolution #25-1 - Election of President

Moved by Mr. Sturkey, seconded by Ms. Allega to nominate and appoint Mr. Chadsey as President of the Board of Governors for 2025.

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey

NAYS: None

Resolution approved.

Resolution #25-2 - Election of Vice President

Moved by Mr. Chadsey, seconded by Mrs. Shehorn to nominate and appoint Mr. Sturkey as Vice President of the Board for 2025.

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey

NAYS: None

Resolution approved.

Resolution #25-3 – Determination of Date, Time, and Place of Regular Monthly Meetings

The Board of Governors set the date and time of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Governors for the year 2025 for the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

Board Meeting Dates for 2025	
Jan. 21, 2025	July 15, 2025
Feb. 18, 2025	Aug. 19, 2025
Mar. 18, 2025	Sept. 16, 2025
Apr. 15, 2025	Oct. 21, 2025
May 20, 2025	Nov. 18, 2025
June 17, 2025	Dec. 16, 2025

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey

NAYS: None

Resolution approved.

Resolution #25-4 – Consent Agenda

The following items related to the organizational meeting consent agenda have been approved by the Board of Governors for 2025.

1. Recognition Fund

The appropriation not to exceed \$4,000.00 to honor its staff, former board members and other non-employees with plaques, pins, awards and other acknowledgements of exemplary contributions to education as stated in Policy 6680. The Governing Board does hereby affirm that the expenses incurred as stated do serve public purposes and facilitate our educational objectives.

2. Investment of Funds

The Treasurer is granted permission to invest funds that are not needed to meet current expenditures at the highest rate of interest in accordance with board policy.

3. Amendment of Appropriations

The board authorizes the Treasurer to amend appropriations, as needed, throughout the year.

4. Transfer of Funds

Authorize the Treasurer to make fund-to-fund advances, advance returns and transfers as needed throughout the year with Board ratification as part of the financial reports presented at the next regular Board Meeting.

5. Payment of Bills

The Treasurer is authorized to pay invoices when due (especially when discounts apply) within the parameters of the Appropriations Measure as adopted.

6. Emergency Repairs/Supplies

Authorize the Superintendent to Purchase Supplies and Equipment and Authorize Emergency Repairs.

7. Appointment of Purchasing Agent

Authorize the Superintendent or designee to serve as purchasing agent for the ESC to make purchases within the limits of the appropriation measures.

8. Federal, State and Local Projects

Authorize the Superintendent and the Treasurer to apply for, enter into and/or accept/participate in Federal, State or Local grants or agreements. In addition, the Treasurer is authorized to appropriate funds for grants awarded to the Educational Service Center.

9. Ohio School Boards Association Membership

Authorizes Board membership in the Ohio School Board Association for the calendar year and renewal of the Board's subscription to "Briefcase" and School Management News.

10. Board Member Compensation

Be it resolved that the per meeting compensation of each Summit Educational Service Center board member and the compensation for attendance at approved training programs to be fixed at the maximum allowed by law.

11. Board Minutes

Dispenses with reading of the Board minutes at each regular meeting providing that they are delivered to the Board members at least two days prior to the Board Meeting.

12. NEOLA

Authorizes the Superintendent to utilize NEOLA policy services as needed.

13. Employment of Personnel

Authorize the Superintendent to grant temporary employment prior to official Board Action at the next Board Meeting.

14. Payment of Temporary Personnel

Authorize the Treasurer to pay employees temporarily employed by the Superintendent prior to official Board Action for regular employment.

15. Acceptance of Resignations

Authorize the Superintendent, on behalf of this Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to ratification by the Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.

16. Unpaid Sick Leave

Authorize the Superintendent and Treasurer to approve use of unpaid sick leave by employees, not to exceed 10 days.

17. Workers' Compensation/Unemployment Compensation Services

Authorizes the Superintendent to utilize **CompManagement, Inc.**, as needed, to represent the Board on Unemployment and Workers' Compensation claims.

18. Public Records Training

Authorizes the Treasurer, or her designee, as public record custodian to attend all required public records training.

19. Official Newspaper

Authorize the Summit Educational Service Center to use the **Akron Legal News** in Summit County, Ohio as the official newspaper. (See Bylaw 0154(A)).

20. Legal Counsel

The Board authorizes the Superintendent and the Treasurer to use the following firms for legal counsel, on an "as needed" basis, for the necessary work of the Summit Educational Service Center:

McGown & Markling
Akron, Ohio

Brennan, Manna & Diamond
Akron, Ohio

Pepple & Waggoner, Ltd
Independence, Ohio

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey
NAYS: None
Resolution approved.

Resolution #25-5 - Committees

The Board of Governors approve the following appointments by Mr. Chadsey to serve on board committees.

Governance, Policy & Legislation (bylaws & policies)
Mr. Chadsey & Ms. Allega

Personnel
Mrs. Shehorn & Mrs. Weber

Finance (includes audit)
Mr. Chadsey & Mr. Sturkey

Records Commission
Laura Molnar, Treasurer
& Mrs. Weber

Facilities
Mrs. Shehorn & Ms. Allega

Business Advisory Council
Mr. Sturkey & Mrs. Shehorn

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey
NAYS: None
Resolution approved.

Resolution # 25-6

The Board of Governors approve the following 2025 OSBA Liaisons as appointed by Mr. Chadsey.

- Ms. Allega as the 2025 OSBA Legislative Liaison of the Board and Mr. Chadsey as the alternate.
- Mr. Sturkey as the 2025 OSBA Student Achievement Liaison of the Board.
- Mrs. Weber as the 2025 OSBA Delegate for the Ohio School Boards Association Annual Conference and Ms. Allega as the alternate.

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey
NAYS: None
Resolution approved.

Resolution #25-7

The Board of Governors adopt existing bylaws and policies for its own operation and the operation of the Center.

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey
NAYS: None
Resolution approved.

Resolution #25-8

The Board of Governors moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:54 p.m.

AYES: Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Shehorn, Ms. Allega, Mr. Chadsey, Mr. Sturkey
NAYS: None
Resolution approved.

Date Approved

Board of Governors President

Treasurer, Summit Educational Service Center