

Coldwater Exempted Village Schools
Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, January 14, 2025 – 6:30 PM
Regular Meeting
CAV ROOM

MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- I. Roll Call and Verification of Notice **Time In: 6:30 PM**
Members Present: Jim Miller, Mike Hoying, Greg Bruns, Terry Schroyer
The board was assured that all notice requirements of ORC Section 121.22 and implementing rules adopted by the board thereunder had been complied with for this meeting.
- II. Hearing of Visitors
Scheduled:
- III. **25.01.007**
Set Agenda
Motion by Terry Schroyer and second by Mike Hoying to accept the agenda as presented. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.
- IV. Business and Records
 - A. Financial Update – *Mrs. McCoy reviewed the December financial reports, cash reconciliation, FY25 appropriation changes, investments, FY25 updated certificate of resources and Tax Year 2024 rates and values.*
- V. Curriculum and Instruction
 - A. Reports from Building Principals
- VI. Superintendent’s Section
 - A. Board Member Appreciation
- VII. Board Member Section
 - A. Legislative Update – *Fair School Funding Plan and the recommendations from the Joint Committee of on Property Tax Review and Reform was discussed.*
- VIII. **25.01.008**
Resolutions
(All items may be voted upon in one motion.)
Motion by Mike Hoying and second by Terry Schroyer to approve Items A-W as presented. Vote: Jim Miller, yes; Mike Hoying, yes; Greg Bruns, yes; Terry Schroyer, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
 - A. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the FY25 permanent appropriations as presented.
 - B. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the board meeting minutes held on December 18, 2024.
 - C. *It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the following transfers:*

FROM: General Fund 001 To: Severance Fund (035) AMT: \$60,000

- D. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the use of the IRS mileage rate of \$0.70 per mile for 2025.
- E. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the increase of the student worker wage and bus fueling wage from \$10.45/hour to \$10.70/hour and the handicapped student bus aide from \$10.45/hour to \$10.70/hour effective January 1, 2025, to meet the state minimum wage requirement.
- F. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the tax rates and values as presented by the Mercer County Auditor.
- G. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the attached License Agreement with Neola, Inc for Board Policy Development and Administrative Guideline Development in the amount of \$28,250.
- H. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the attached Resolution to Proceed to Levy an additional Traditional Income Tax of .5% for 5 years.
- I. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the revised 2024-2025 Class of 2025 Activity Budget.
- J. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve Jasmine Brown for early graduation for the Class of 2025, pending completion of all requirements.
- K. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the donation of \$2,000 from Valco Companies, Inc for negative balances for the Washington DC Trip.
- L. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the donation of \$1,320 from Valco Companies, Inc for negative student lunch balances.
- M. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the donation of \$500 from Mercer Landmark for FFA.
- N. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the donation of \$244.20 from Hopewell Grange for the Elementary Library.
- O. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the donation of \$198 from Ohio FFA Blue Jacket Program for FFA.
- P. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the following donations for Drama:
 - 1. Signature 100 Partners - \$100
 - 2. Penny Jane Art Co - \$100
 - 3. Nadine Kunk - \$30
- Q. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the following donations for First Tech Club (FTC):
 - 1. Coldwater American Legion - \$2,500
 - 2. Pax Machine - \$1,500
 - 3. Celina Aluminum Precision - \$500
 - 4. Schwieterman Construction - \$500

5. Coldwater CAP - \$500
6. Coldwater Chamber of Commerce - \$250
7. Fanning/Howey - \$100
8. Coldwater K of C - \$100
9. Pla Mor Lanes - \$50
10. Bob & Lynn Eischen - \$50

- R. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to reaffirm the following policies and authorize open enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year:
1. JECBB – Admission of Interdistrict Transfer Students
 1. JECBB-R – Interdistrict Open Enrollment Guidelines
- S. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the salary schedule placement of Olivia Wenning from Bachelors to Masters.
- T. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the resignation of Sophia Rodriguez due to retirement purposes effective the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year.
- U. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the resignation of Tracy Schmitz for retirement purposes effective June 1, 2025.
- V. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the resignation of Shirley Mathewson for retirement purposes effective May 31, 2025.
- W. It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the resignation of Beth Thomas for retirement purposes effective the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year.
- X. **25.01.009** **Time In: 6:48 PM** **Time Out: 7:21 PM**
Motion by Greg Bruns and second by Mike Hoying to approve the request for executive session to discuss employment and compensation of personnel. Vote: Jim Miller, yes; Mike Hoying, yes; Greg Bruns, yes; Terry Schroyer, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the request for an executive session for the discussion of employment and compensation of personnel.
- Y. **25.001.010**
Motion by Terry Schroyer and second by Greg Bruns to approve Item Y as presented. Vote: Jim Miller, yes; Mike Hoying, yes; Greg Bruns, yes; Terry Schroyer, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
It is recommended that the Coldwater EVSD Board of Education resolve to approve the hiring of Michelle Luthman, Substitute Cafeteria, for the 2024-2025 school year per the adopted salary schedule.

- IX. **25.001.011** **Time Out: 7:21 PM**
Adjournment
Motion by Greg Bruns and second by Mike Hoying to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.

Important Dates:

Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, February 11, 2025– 6:00 PM – CAV Room

Public Participation at Board Meetings

In order to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of thirty minutes of public participation will be permitted each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board will give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted three minutes until the total time of thirty minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board.

Board President

Fiscal Officer