# FORT LORAMIE LOCAL SCHOOLS





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Administrative Bulletin to Staff

# Daniel B. Holland, Superintendent

January 14, 2025

# **BOARD BRIEFS**

The following is a summary of the Organizational Meeting and Regular Board of Education Meeting held on January 13, 2025.

### **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

- The Board elected Mike Siegel, as President and Lisa Ruhenkamp as Vice President of the Fort Loramie Board of Education for 2025.
- Set regular meeting times for 2025 at 7:00pm in the Media Center on the following dates:

January 13, Monday
February 17, Monday
March 12, Wednesday
April 21, Monday
May 19, Monday
June 11, Wednesday

July 21, Monday
August 18, Monday
September 15, Monday
October 20, Monday
November 17, Monday
December 15, Monday

 Approved representation to administrative advisory committees and support group representation as follows:

# 2025 Advisory Committees:

Buildings and Grounds	Mike Siegel, Vern Siegel
Finance.	. Lisa Ruhenkamp, Lynn DeLoye
Personnel, Grievances, and Negotiations	. Mike Siegel, Lisa Ruhenkamp
Policy Development	. Mike Siegel, Lynn DeLoye
Transportation	. Mike Siegel, Brad Rethman
Athletic Council	. Vern Siegel, Brad Rethman
Technology Committee	. Brad Rethman, Lynn DeLoye
Curriculum	Vern Siegel, Lisa Ruhenkamp

# 2025 Support Group Representatives:

A.C.E	Lynn DeLoye, Lisa Ruhenkamp
Athletic Boosters	Brad Rethman, Mike Siegel
Music Boosters	Lynn DeLoye, Vern Siegel
G.Y.M., Inc	Vern Siegel, Mike Siegel
O.S.B.A	Lisa Ruhenkamp, Brad Rethman
Foundation	Vern Siegel, Lisa Ruhenkamp
Wall of Honor	Brad Rethman

- Lisa Ruhenkamp was appointed as Legislative Liaison for the Fort Loramie Board of Education as requested by the Ohio School Boards Association.
- Named Superintendent Daniel B. Holland as Board spokesperson and in case of his unavailability, Board President, Mike Siegel, as spokesperson for the Board in all matters requiring public comment.
- Retained the law firm of Pepple & Waggoner for use of legal consultation and negotiations on an asneeded basis on an hourly rate basis.
- Authorized the Treasurer to make the following payroll deductions from the pay of Board Members during calendar year 2025:
  - 1. \$200 per year (\$50.00 per quarter) for the Board of Education Scholarship.
  - 2. Donation of net pay to BOE discretionary fund. Note: Last year the donation of net pay went to the BOE district discretionary incentive fund.
- Appointed the Treasurer as the member's public record designee for calendar year 2025.

## **BOARD BRIEFS**

The following is a summary of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on January 13, 2025.

- The Board approved minutes of the Regular Business Meeting held on December 16, 2024. The monthly financial report indicated December General Fund receipts of \$560,613 and expenditures of \$822,365. The anticipated carry-over balance for the end of the 2024-2025 fiscal year is \$10,613,778.
- In the Elementary Principal's report, Scott Rodeheffer reported as follows:
  - 1. Rachel's Challenge 2nd quarter
    - -We had 148 bigger acts of kindness submitted by teachers
    - Had our assembly with mattress racing (teamwork) and prizes
  - 2. Robotics League will be hosting a competition at the elementary on Feb. 1st.
  - 3. ACE will be having their Daddy/Daughter Dance on Feb. 24th.
- In the Junior/Senior High School report, Mr. Hollenbacher reported as follows:

#### **UVCC NUMBERS**

The Board was updated on the expected percentage of students to attend UVCC next year. In the past few years, we have seen a slight increase of students attending the career center, for various reasons, with the cost of college and emerging trends in the job market being two big factors. This year's sophomore class will be our highest percentage of students attending the UVCC.

## **COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS & AP MEETINGS**

This year we will be holding our required meetings for CCP and AP on Wednesday, January 29th. For returning students to the program, the meeting will be at 6pm. For new students and parents to CCP, the meeting will be at 7pm.

### DEAD WEEK SURVEY

The Board was provided the responses from the survey on Dead Week. The majority of responses said the current week of no contact does not work for them, and a majority (52%) stated they find it difficult to vacation with the athletic summer schedules. Finally, a majority (51.4%) preferred the last week in July of no activities to be declared.

### **LEADERSHIP PROJECTS**

Our Leadership Class once again did a phenomenal job in planning campaigns to support a variety of causes. Some organizations that benefited from our student planning include: Elizabeth New Life Center, Operation Cherrybend, Columbus Homeless Shelter, Charity League of Shelby County, The Open Shelter, the St. Vincent DePaul food drive, and The United Way.

Activities ranged from holding a baby shower, to hosting a girl's night, organizing a clothing drive, making blankets out of old t-shirts, along with leaf removal and selling/making pancakes.

Magnified Giving will provide an additional \$1k to Operation Cherrybend (Beau Schafer, Max Maurer & Zac Dues) due to the social cause videos the students made that raised awareness for this non-profit. Then the United Way received an additional check from Osgood State Bank after they were made aware of the pancakes that were made and sold to help this charitable campaign (Claire Hoying, Delaney Barhorst, and Katie Luthman). Overall, it was another outstanding effort from this class and our student leaders.

- The Superintendent's report included information on the following:
  - o Thanked the BOE for their service and dedication to our school district.
  - Reviewed Match Day results for our school district, which brought in \$19,713 for our students Memorial Garden.
  - O Discussed development of the calendar committee to assist with the development of the 2025-2026 school calendar.
  - o Reviewed upcoming dates regarding the athletic building meeting with coaches, and hosting the upcoming MLK Classic basketball competition at the High School.
  - o Reviewed potential drain issue at the high school, and identified the remediation plan.
- Accepted the following donations:

Source	<b>Value</b>	<u>Item</u>
Shelby County Trustees	\$250.00	FFA

- Approved new board policy as presented.
- Approved supplemental payment to Amanda Ritter, Fiscal Assistant, for additional duties assigned.
- Approved issuance of a five (5) year contract to Daniel B. Holland effective August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2031.
- Approved Joni Siegrist as the Pre-K Class Instructor.
- Approved the issuance of certified supplemental contracts for the co-curricular activities for the 2024/2025 school year to the following:

FIRST	LAST	POSITION	EXP.
Rebekkah	Delawder	Varsity Softball Assistant Coach	3
Kristin	Heitkamp	Track Assistant	12
Jeron	Hennon	JH Track Coach	5
Macy	Imwalle	JV Softball Coach-75%	0
Jennifer	Paulus	JH Track Assistant Coach-50%	3
Brad	Turner	Varsity Softball Coach	21
Kevin	Wrasman	Track – Head Coordinator	23

• Approved supplemental contracts for 2024/2025 co-curricular classified positions:

FIRST	LAST	POSITION	EXP.
Dan	Borchers	JV Baseball Coach	3
Nick	Eilerman	JV Baseball Assistant Coach	7
Eric	Fleckenstein	JV Baseball Assistant Coach	6
Clara	Gephart	JV Softball Assistant Coach	0
Ashley	Harrod	Track Assistant Coach-50%	10
Georgia	Hoying	JH Track Assistant Coach-50%	3
Ann	Rethman	Track Assistant Coach – 50%	7
Trey	Rittenhouse	JV Baseball Coach	1
Kim	Ruhenkamp	JV Softball Coach-25%	4
Jeff	Sanders	Varsity Baseball Coach	11
Rick	Scheer	Track Assistant Coach	21
Mike	Schieltz	Varsity Baseball Assistant Coach	24

• Approved the following volunteer coaches/advisors:

Name Sport/Activity
Doug Heitkamp Track

- Approved one (1) substitute teacher as approved by the ESC for the 2024/2025 school year.
- Approved changes to the High School registration guide.
- Approved Jacob Poeppelman for early graduation.
- Regular February meeting is February 17, 2025 at 7:00 pm.