

**MAPLEWOOD CAREER CENTER**  
**Board Meeting Notes**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**January 15, 2026**

**Convened: 5:12 p.m.**

**The meeting was called to order by Board president, Roger Boltz.**

**Roll call:** Patricia Brett was absent.

**Acceptance and approval of Board meeting agenda for January 16, 2025, as presented on CivicPlus.**

**Acceptance and approval of the minutes of the December 18, 2025, regular meeting as presented.**

**The following visitor was received: Ms. Tonia Epple, Streetsboro City School Board Member.**

Present: Mr. Randy Griffith, Superintendent; Mrs. Michelle Seckman, Treasurer.

**Board President, Roger Boltz, reported on the following items:**

- Mr. Boltz thanked his fellow Board members for having the confidence in electing him to be the 2026 Board President.

**Superintendent, Randy Griffith, reported on the following:**

- Mr. Griffith reviewed the Day School Report: The Senior Awards Ceremony will be at the Kent State University MAC Center on Wednesday, May 27, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.; Parent Teacher Conferences will be on February 4, 2026; Cupcake with Teachers will be on April 8, 2026; and November Students of the Month are Senior, Logan Hysell, Electricity, Ravenna, and Junior, Sophia Smith, Cosmetology-W, Rootstown.
- The plans for adding additional programming are moving forward. It is still in the planning stages. Some of the required surveys have taken place with a few more to come.
- Maplewood's associate schools are required to provide some middle school career technical programming. Maplewood staff will be working with them to assist in the process. A meeting will be scheduled, as a group, with an individual from the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce who will give more detail about their intentions.
- In the coming weeks, Maplewood staff will have a 90-minute in-service on the District's safety protocols.

**The following recommendations were made by the Treasurer and motions were acted on by the Board:**

- The District Financial Report was approved and filed for the month of December, 2025.
- The expenditures were approved for the month of December, 2025.
- The investments were ratified for the month of December, 2025.
- The bank reconciliations were ratified for the month of December, 2025.
- Approved Alternative Tax Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.
- Informational Items: Group Health Insurance Plans for Board Members, Bylaw 147, SERS Election, OSBA Roster Information; Calendar Year 2026 IRS Mileage Rate; Pepple & Waggoner School Negotiations Workshop, Cleveland, January 22, 2026; Pepple & Waggoner Special Education Seminar, Cleveland, February 6, 2026; COSSBA, Consortium of State School Boards Associations, National Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, March 12 – 15, 2026.

**The following recommendations were made by the Superintendent and motions were acted on by the Board:**

- Employed Casey Withers, Mechanical, Groundskeeping & Construction Tutor, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.
- Accepted the resignation from the following individual; David Miller, Guidance Counselor, effective June 30, 2026.
- Employed Zachary Hamilton, Adult Education Welding Instructor, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.
- Employed Elizabeth Thompson, ASPIRE Secretary, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.

- Employed Joyce Torres, Substitute OBI/Bus Driver, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.
- Approved job classification transfer for Alyssa Finch, from Secretary to Secretary to the Superintendent Step 5.
- Set the day school tuition rate at \$9,855.62 for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Recognized the month of February 2026, as “National Career and Technical Education Month”.
- Recognized the month of February 2026, as “National Black History Month”.
- Approved the “College Credit Plus Master Agreement between Kent State University and Maplewood Career Center School District” beginning July 1, 2026.
- Approved the “College Credit Plus Master Agreement between The University of Akron and Maplewood Career Center School District” beginning July 1, 2026.

**New Business:**

- Approved a contract extension with NEONET as the bundled Internet Services provider to Maplewood Career Center through 6/30/2029.
- Ratified the modified excluded classified personnel benefit document for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028.

**Executive Session:** Employment or appointment of public employees, and matters required to be confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes, and safety and security. (5:30 p.m. – 5:43 p.m.)

**Adjourned 5:43 p.m.**