

*Board of Education Regular Meeting*

# **Board Members Term of Office** (Jan. 1 — Dec. 31)

Neil Bloomberg 2019-2021

Kathryn Falkenberg 2019-2021

Cassandra Jones; President 2019-2021

Erin Lee-Harris; Vice-President 2020-2023

Stefanie Rhine 2020-2023

# **Administration**

Dr. Linda N. Reid, Superintendent

Mr. Joshua J. Hill, Treasurer

Mr. Dominick Kaple, Assistant Superintendent of Academics, Technology & Innovation

Ms. Melissa Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services & Strategic Partnerships

Mr. Michael Murphy, Director of Business Affairs

Mr. William Miller, Director of Human Resources

Mrs. Jennifer Moles, Director of Special Education

# **The Board of Education**

The Board of Education is your elected representative body and is responsible to the residents of the South Euclid Lyndhurst City School District.

The functions of the Board are:

* To serve as a policy-making body.
* To appoint a Superintendent of Schools.
* To appoint a Treasurer.
* To consider, approve, or reject policies recommended by the Superintendent.
* To approve educational standards and goals.
* To approve the appointment of teachers and other staff members.
* To approve the annual budget for each fiscal year.
* To approve a master calendar annually.
* To evaluate the Superintendent and Treasurer on a regular and route basis.

# **How a Board Meeting is Conducted**

Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 provides that all meetings of any public body shall be public meetings open to the public at all times. Furthermore, Section 121.22 also provides that all formal actions must be adopted in open session.

The Board meeting follows a standard agenda that may be altered by the Board President. Board members receive their agenda's prior to the meeting so they can study the material carefully in preparation for the meeting. Copies of the agenda are available at every meeting.

## **Executive Session**

Under Ohio Law, the Board may hold Executive Sessions to discuss personnel matters, litigations, purchase of property, negotiations, matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or state statutes, and details of security arrangements. Executive Sessions are used for discussion only, no board action can be voted on in Executive Session. Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 defines the Sunshine Law and matters for Executive Session.

# **Public Participation**

As a general rule, there is no right of the public to speak and/or to be heard at meetings of a governmental body such as board of education, and the enactment of the Sunshine Law does not appear to have altered this general proposition of law. Although Ohio's Sunshine Law declares generally that all meetings of a board of education must be public meetings, open to the public at all times, such law does not create a right of a person observing a public meeting to speak and be heard. Sunshine Laws are designed to permit the public to be present at meeting of public bodies and to observe the deliberations of such bodies; they are not intended to require public bodies to allow any individual or group to be heard on the subject being considered.

# **Board Policy on Public Participation**

Board policy 0169 speaks specifically to "Public Participation at Board Meeting" and is available at all board meetings. The Board President is the presiding officer at all meetings. The public participation form is below. If you wish to address the board of education, complete the form and give it to the treasurer.

*Board of Education Meeting Public Participation*

If you wish to address the Board of Education, complete this form and give it to the treasurer

Name (printed):

Address:

Question/Comment:

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Signature Date

*Board Disposition*

If necessary, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will respond in writing within \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_business days.

 Superintendent or Treasurer