

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026  
Board Meeting Minutes



**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

**Board Meeting Agenda**

January 21, 2026

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** *6pm*
  - a. Roll Call 2025 Board
  - b. Approval of Minutes from December, 2025
  - c. Adjourn 2025 Board
  - d. Swear In Board Member
  - e. Roll Call 2026 Board
  - f. Elect 2026 Slate of Officers
  - g. Appoint 2026 Ethics Council
  - h. Appoint 2026 Financial Committee
  - i. Donations
- II. **Financials:**
  - a. Financial Statement Review: December 2025
  - b. Financial Transactions and Voucher Approvals: December 2025
- III. **New Business:**
  - a. Approvals:
    - i. Appoint NEON Representative
    - ii. Family First Council
    - iii. LFSA Approval
    - iv. Disposal of Assets
    - v. Supplemental Appropriation
  - b. Board Status Reports/Program Reports:
  - c. Issues:
    - i. FHBS Update
- IV. **General Announcements:**
- V. **Other Business-Comments from the floor:**
- VI. **Adjournment:** *7:10pm*  
*Next Board Meeting: February 18, 2026*

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

January, 21 2026 Board Meeting

Roll Call 2025 Board

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Janson	<del>Here</del>	<del>Absent</del>
Mrs. Keiper	<del>Here</del>	<del>Absent</del>
Mrs. Wilder	<del>Here</del>	<del>Absent</del>
Mr. Lair	<del>Here</del>	<del>Absent</del>
Mr. Miller	<del>Here</del>	<del>Absent</del>
Mr. Sanchez	<del>Here</del>	<del>Absent</del>
Mr. Welty	<del>Here</del>	<del>Absent</del>



BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

January 21, 2026

**Resolution: 25-95(A)**

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the December 10, 2025 Board meeting minutes.

MOTION: *Mr. Lair*

SECOND: *Mr. Sanchez*

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Janson	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mrs. Wilder	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain

Mr. Miller	Yes	No	<u>Abstain</u>
Mr. Sanchez	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain



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BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

January 21, 2026

**Resolution: 25-96(A)**

BE IT RESOLVED to approve to adjourn the 2025 Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Board.

MOTION:

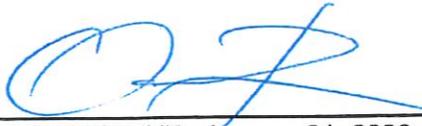
*Ms. Sanchez  
Mrs. Keiper*

SECOND:

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Janson	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Wilder	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain				

  
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BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

January, 21 2026 Board Meeting

a. Roll Call 2026 Board

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<i>Here</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mrs. Keiper	<i>Here</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mr. Lair	<i>Here</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mr. Mann	<i>Here</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mr. Miller	<i>Here</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mr. Sanchez	<i>Here</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mr. Welty	<i>Here</i>	<i>Absent</i>



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BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

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GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

Resolution: 26-01(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to elect the following slate of officers for the 2026 Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Board:

President: Mr. Lair

Vice President: Mrs. Keiper

Secretary: Mrs. Bennett

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MOTION:

Mr. Welty

SECOND:

Mr. Sanchez

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain				

  
BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

Resolution: 26-02(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to appoint the 2026 Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Ethics Council:

1. Mr. Lair
2. Mrs. Keiper
3. Mr. Welty

MOTION: Mr. Miller

SECOND: Mrs. Keiper

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain				

  
BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

Resolution: 26-03(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to appoint the 2026 Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Finance Committee:

1. Mr. Mann
2. Mrs. Keiper
3. Mr. Lair

MOTION: Mr. Lair

SECOND: Mr. Welty

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain				

BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

January 21, 2026

**Resolution: 26-01(D)**

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the donations to the program. On behalf of the Board, the Superintendent is directed to deposit these funds in the accounts specified. Also, he is directed to forward a letter of thanks and appreciation to each donor.

<u>Donor:</u>	<u>Gift:</u>	<u>Use:</u>
Joan Venaleck	Home Furniture	For general use to the program
Deanne Nowak	Blow-Up Game	For general use to the program and Free Community Carnival
Byron Whitney & Deb Tyukodi	\$20.00	For general use to the program: November Donation
	\$20.00	December Donation
	\$25.00	January Donation
Loretta P. Fraser	\$50.00	For general use in Memory of Bob Mikula
The Marybeth Primeau Trust	\$25.00	For general use in Memory of Bob Mikula

MOTION: *Mr. Sanchez*

SECOND: *Mrs. Keiper*

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	<u>Yes</u>	No	Abstain				

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BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

RESOLUTION # 25- 23- (B)

Financial Transactions

December, 2025

Be it resolved that the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities at its board meeting dated 1/21/2025 approved the following purchase order certifications and financial transactions for the General Operating, Donation, Residential, and Construction Funds (accounts with no activity not shown).

Operating Fund (2027)

**Payroll and Related Encumbrances:**

<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Pay Dates:</u> 12/12, 12/26
501 - Salaries	\$ 290,188.51	
502 - Medicare	\$ 4,276.40	
504 - PERS	\$ 38,396.82	
505 - Workers Comp	\$ -	
506 - Unemployment	\$ -	
507 - STRS	\$ 1,082.74	
	<u>\$ 333,944.47</u>	

**Purchase Orders:**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Number</u>
DATSMARTS LLC	2063	\$ 5,800.00	Power BI Reporting Project	2025-00003676

\$ 5,800.00

MOTION: *Mr. Lair*  
 SECOND: *Mr. Miller*  
 DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

<i>KTO</i> Mrs. Janson	Yes	No	Abstain	<i>Mrs. Bennett</i>
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	
<del>Mrs. Wilder</del>	Yes	No	Abstain	<i>Mr. Mann</i>
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain	

Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain

*[Signature]*  
 President  
 1/21/2025 *KTO 2026*

BY OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE BOARD

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

RESOLUTION # 25- 24- (B)

Voucher Approval - December, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule  
170,123.57

25 24 - O with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2025 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 12/01/25	PERIOD 12/1/2025-12/31/2025	YTD		
503 Hospitalization	954,285.00	776,671.13	81,807.75	858,478.88	95,806.12	90%
601 Contract Services	574,356.90	454,513.45	25,414.26	479,927.71	94,429.19	84%
701 Materials and Supplies	114,767.56	48,763.03	(246.72)	48,516.31	66,251.25	42%
801 Equipment	103,000.00	66,726.70	3,533.76	70,260.46	32,739.54	68%
901 Other	545,321.37	478,666.37	30,723.00	509,389.37	35,932.00	93%
902 Travel	82,933.49	56,254.38	7,388.26	63,642.64	19,290.85	77%
903 Advertising	70,000.00	48,717.01	-	48,717.01	21,282.99	70%
940 Lease Expenses	282,140.59	48,327.18	21,503.26	69,830.44	212,310.15	25%
999 Transfers Out	12,999,000.00	12,999,000.00	-	12,999,000.00	-	100%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,725,804.91</b>	<b>14,977,639.25</b>	<b>170,123.67</b>	<b>16,147,762.82</b>	<b>578,042.09</b>	<b>96%</b>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

25 24 - D with expenditures totaling

ACCOUNT	CY 2025 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 12/01/25	PERIOD 12/1/2025-12/31/2025	YTD		
901 Other Expenses	2,500.00	-	-	-	2,500.00	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>0%</b>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

25 24 - R with expenditures totaling

1,339,601.90

ACCOUNT	CY 2025 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 12/01/25	PERIOD 12/1/2025-12/31/2025	YTD		
601 Service Contracts	13,217,211.06	11,482,357.55	1,339,601.90	12,821,959.45	395,251.61	97%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,217,211.06</b>	<b>11,482,357.55</b>	<b>1,339,601.90</b>	<b>12,821,959.45</b>	<b>395,251.61</b>	<b>97%</b>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

25 24 - C with expenditures totaling

6,051.00

ACCOUNT	CY 2025 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 12/01/25	PERIOD 12/1/2025-12/31/2025	YTD		
601 Service Contracts	245,150.00	151,907.03	6,051.00	157,958.03	87,191.97	64%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>245,150.00</b>	<b>151,907.03</b>	<b>6,051.00</b>	<b>157,958.03</b>	<b>87,191.97</b>	<b>64%</b>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to confirm the payment of Voucher Schedule

25 24 - F with expenditures totaling

1,500,000.00

ACCOUNT	CY 2025 APPROP	EXPENDITURES			APPROP BALANCE	PERCENT EXPENDED
		BEGINNING 12/01/25	PERIOD 12/1/2025-12/31/2025	YTD		
999 Transfers Out	1,500,000.00	-	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	-	100%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,500,000.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,500,000.00</b>	<b>1,500,000.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>N/A</b>

MOTION:

SECOND:

DISCUSSION:

Roll Call:

Mrs. Jansen *Bennett*  Yes  No  Abstain  
 Mrs. Keiper  Yes  No  Abstain  
 Mrs. Wilder *Mann*  Yes  No  Abstain  
 Mr. Lair  Yes  No  Abstain

Mr. Miller  Yes  No  Abstain  
 Mr. Sanchez  Yes  No  Abstain  
 Mr. Welty  Yes  No  Abstain

  
President

BY OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE BOARD

1/21/2025  
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GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

**Resolution: 26-04(A)**

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Donald L. Rice II as the 2026 Representative to the North East Ohio Network (NEON).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve Dave Carlson, Assistant Superintendent, and Tami Setlock, Director of Community Support Services, as the Alternates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION: *Mr. Miller*

SECOND: *Mr. Sanchez*

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Miller	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mr. Lair	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Welty	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mr. Mann	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain				

BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

**Resolution: 26-05(A)**

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Donald L. Rice II as the 2026 Representative to the Geauga County Family First Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve Dave Carlson, Assistant Superintendent as the Alternate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION: *Mr. Sanchez*

SECOND: *Mr. Welty*

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Miller	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mr. Lair	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Welty	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mr. Mann	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain				

  
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BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

Resolution: 26-06(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Locally Funded Services Agreement with:

- Jamie Shenker, in an amount of \$16,000.00 for NMT services
- Matthew James Sieracki, in an amount of \$5,000.00 for HPC, and HPC Transportation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all action necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION: Mr. Welty

SECOND: Mrs. Bennett

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain				

BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

January 21, 2026

Resolution: 26-07(A)

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the list of disposal of assets due to the items being unusable, broken, or outdated:

- Musical Tone Chimes, 4 end tables, 4 book shelves, 3 wood chairs, 3 desks, 3 filing cabinets, table, couch, dresser, area rug, Mobile TV Cart, rolling stool

MOTION: Mr. Welty

SECOND: Mrs. Keiper

DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Miller	Yes	No	Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Lair	Yes	No	Abstain	Mr. Welty	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Mann	Yes	No	Abstain				

BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

January 21, 2026

**Resolution: 26-08(A)**

WHEREAS, at the September 2025 Board meeting, Resolution 25-56(A) approving the 2026 Budget was adopted;

WHEREAS, no expenses were appropriated within the Lease Expenditure lines, as those lines are used solely for adjusting entries, and appropriating costs to them would arbitrarily inflate the expense budget;

WHEREAS, New World, the financial system utilized by the County Auditor's Office for budgetary and payment processing, may not permit adjusting entries in expenditure lines with no appropriations;

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Board meeting, it remains unclear whether appropriations will be required within these Lease Expenditure lines;

WHEREAS, this resolution is to be executed only if information is received from the County Auditor's Office indicating that appropriations are required in the Lease Expenditure lines that were not included in the budget approved in September 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Supplemental Appropriations are approved, if deemed necessary:

- 2027-056-47-940.5601 – Lease Expense Activity – ESC of the WR – \$64,090.00
- 2027-056-47-940.5602 – Lease Expense Activity – ESC of NE Ohio – \$33,190.00
- 2027-056-47-940.5603 – Lease Expense Activity – West Geauga LSD – \$49,034.00
- 2027-056-47-940.5604 – Lease Expense Activity – Starting Point – \$2,390.00
- 2027-056-47-940.5605 – Lease Expense Activity – NPower – \$650.00
- 2027-056-47-940.5606 – Lease Expense Activity – JFSA – \$96,930.00
- 2027-056-47-940.5607 – Lease Expense Activity – The Metzenbaum Foundation - \$8,160.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is directed to take any and all actions necessary to carry out this resolution.

MOTION: *Mr. Lair*  
SECOND: *Mrs. Keiper*  
DISCUSSION:

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Bennett	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Miller	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mrs. Keiper	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Sanchez	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mr. Lair	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain	Mr. Welty	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain
Mr. Mann	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Abstain				

  
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BOARD PRESIDENT January 21, 2026

**GEAUGA COUTNY BOARD OF  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITES**

**Board Meeting Agenda  
For January 21, 2026**

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*Next Board Meeting: February 18, 2026*

**Summary of Discussion:**

- VII. **Call to Order and Roll Call: 6pm**
  - a. **Elect Slate of Officers:**  
Discussion was had with Mr. Lair selected as Board President, Mrs. Keiper selected as Vice President, and Mrs. Bennett selected as Secretary.
  - b. **Appoint 2026 Ethics Council:**  
Discussion was had and Mr. Carlson explained to the Board which members are eligible to be on the Ethics Council, what it is, and why it is necessary. Board President Mr. Lair, Vice President Mrs. Keiper, and Mr. Welty were selected.
  - c. **Appoint Financial Committee:**  
Discussion was had with Mr. Mann, Mrs. Keiper, and Board President Mr. Lair selected.
- VIII. **Financials:**

- a. Financials were reviewed by Mrs. Davis. She explained the budget, including an overview of deficit spending, and how funds are received and spent. The Board also discussed the possibility of a future levy.
- IX. New Business:**
- a. Approvals:
    - i. Appoint NEON Representative:  
Mr. Rice explained to the board what NEON is and their working relationship with Geauga DD.
    - ii. Family First Council:  
Mr. Rice explained to the board what Family First Council is.
    - iii. LFSA Approval:  
Mr. Rice explained what the Locally Funded Services Agreements are.
    - iv. Disposal of Assets:  
Mr. Rice explained what the purpose of the disposal of assets is and why there is a need to have a resolution for it.
    - v. Supplemental Appropriation:  
Mrs. Davis provided the board with an explanation of the purpose for the Supplemental Appropriation resolution and having to be proactive due to the auditor.
  - b. **Board Status Reports/Program Reports:**
    - i. The agency's board status reports and program reports were placed in the board book prior to the meeting and reviewed by Mr. Rice during the meeting. Mrs. Setlock explained what the residential waiver waitlist is.
    - ii. Mrs. Contizano reviewed the 2025 Metzenbaum Foundation wrap up and informed the board on what the Metzenbaum Foundation is and what they do.
  - c. **Issues:**
    - i. FHBS:  
Mr. Carlson informed the board about updating the procedure and what changed with the polices for Family Home Based Services.
- X. General Announcements:**
- a. Board President, Mr. Lair called for any further general announcement from the board or the public:
    - i. Mr. Lair asked about the status of MSI. Mr. Carlson explained what MSI is and reviewed the history of its working relationship with Geauga DD. Mr. Carlson also informed the Board that grants will be paused for the foreseeable future. The Board asked additional questions regarding how MSI is currently operating and what their future looks like.
    - ii. Mrs. Keiper asked about the feedback loop, and Mr. Carlson shared that while responses have been limited, the feedback received so far has been positive.
- XI. Other Business-Comments from the floor:**
- a. Board President, Mr. Lair called for any other business or comments from the board or public:
    - i. Mrs. Thirion made mention of the upcoming Free Community Carnival at The Metzenbaum Center.
- XII. Adjournment: 7:10pm**

Board President, Mr. Lair adjourned the meeting at 7:10pm because the agenda was completed.

Submitted:

Approval:

  
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Superintendent, 2/18/26

  
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Board President, 2/18/26

cc: Bd. of Geauga Co. Commissioners, Geauga Co. Probate Court, Geauga Co Prosecutor