1.12.2026 Regular Board Meeting Summary

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Correspondence: The Board of Education received correspondence from the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) on December 30, 2025 regarding the FY 26 School Maintenance Project Grant. The Orangeville School District has received approval from ISBE for a matching grant of $50,000 to be used for phase two of a door renovation project as required in the 10 year Health Life Safety plan.

Congratulations to the following students and staff for earning the January 2026 Bronco of the Month Recognition Awards as nominated by the Bronco Staff: Elementary- Millie S.: "Millie is so kind to her classmates, and is always willing to help! She is always the first one to raise her hand and wants to help, whether it's cleaning up in the classroom, washing the tables and sweeping after snacks or picking up things she finds around the school to throw away!"
Jr. High: Keaton L.: "Keaton is such a hard worker, is polite and produces excellent, high-quality work. Keaton pays attention and does all of her work on time. She does not let the other students distract her. She is a joy to teach and is kind, helpful and sweet to her classmates."
High School: Makenna Y.: "Makenna is always ready to lend a helping hand to teachers and her classmates. She is very helpful when a classmate is struggling or has missed a lesson. Makenna is eager to do well and strives to do her best."
Staff: Devra Leverington.: "Devra works hard to make sure our students are getting everything they need to be successful. She is always someone I can go to for ideas when I feel like I've exhausted all of my own tricks and tools."
The January 2026 District Newsletter was shared with the Board of Education. All newsletters may be found on the district's website by clicking on the link - Newsletters | Orangeville CUSD 203. The Board of Education also received the December 2025 YWCA Newsletter and the January 2026 Illinois Virtual Schools & Academy Newsletter.

Consent Agenda: The Board of Education approved the December 2025 Reports (Activity, YTD Revenue, YTD Expenditure, Fund Balance Summary, Financial Report, Imprest Report and 2025-2026 Donations), 2025-2026 Child Nutrition Report, January 2026 Board Bills, December 8, 2025 Truth in Taxation Hearing Meeting Minutes, December 8, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes for Open and Closed sessions, December 15, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes for Open and Closed sessions, December 22, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes for Open and Closed sessions.

Informational Notes: The Board of Education received the 2025-2026 FOIA Tracking Report, 2025 ISBE Summary of Grants Awarded to Orangeville, December 8, 2025 Prairie State Insurance Cooperative (PSIC) Risk Control Report, December 15, 2025 Behavioral Interventions Committee Meeting Exit Notes, January 16, 2026 Joint District Empower Optional Health Screening flyer with Lena-Winslow School district and the January 28, 2026 Career TEC Informational Night flyer to be held at 5:30 p.m. for high school students and their parents.

Business: In old business, the Board of Education approved PRESS Policy, Issue 120, as presented by the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) and the 2026-2027 Orangeville Public School Calendar as a final reading. In new business, the Board of Education approved

the 2026 Post Prom overnight trip to Urban Air in Madison, Wisconsin per Board Policy 6:240 on May 2-3, 2026. The Board also approved to add Paula Crossno, new district bookkeeper, to bank accounts with signature authority at Community Bank and remove previous bookkeeper, Cindy Wells, from bank accounts at Community Bank effective January 13, 2026.

Personnel:

The Board of Education approved the resignation of part-time certified grades 6-12 mathematics teacher Donna Gronewold effective December 19, 2025. The Board of Education also approved the resignation of varsity head football coach and varsity assistant baseball coach Todd Kramer effective January 5, 2026.

The Board of Education approved the hiring of an outdoor education supervisor Mercy Wilde effective January 13, 2026 for the remainder of the second semester of the 2025-2026 school year. The BOE approved the hiring of a certified paraprofessional Glenda Adams effective January 13, 2026 for the 2025-2026 school year.

The Board of Education approved the hiring of a part-time certified grades 6-12 mathematics teacher Kathleen Sleezer effective January 13, 2026 for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. The BOE approved to hire a certified grades 6-12 Social Studies teacher Michael Beadle pending a satisfactory background check for the 2026-2027 school year. In addition, the Board of Education approved hiring a certified grades 6-12 English teacher Alicea Rockey for the 2026-2027 school year pending Illinois licensure and satisfactory background check.

In other Board action, the Board of Education approved the request for a leave of absence for educational support staff member Hannah Taylor from March 9, 2026 through April 17, 2026.

In observance of the Martin Luther King Federal Holiday, there will be no school on Monday, January 19, 2026. On Friday, January 30, 2026, the district will have a half-day school improvement program with a student dismissal time of 11:00 a.m.

2nd quarter report cards were sent home with elementary students on Friday, January 9, 2026. 2nd quarter report cards were sent home electronically to junior high and high school families in Skyward on Thursday, January 8, 2026. If you did not receive the 2nd quarter report card, please contact the PreK-5 elementary school secretary, Ms. Doyle, at 815-789-4450 or the 6-12 secondary school secretary, Ms. Heck, at 815-789-4289.
Thank you for your partnership in education!

Go Broncos!
Superintendent Katzenberger