

Ohio School Boards Association

8050 North High Street • Suite 100 • Columbus OH 43235-6481
(614) 540-4000 • fax (614) 540-4100
www.ohioschoolboards.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 27, 2018

For more information, contact:

Jennifer Hogue

Director of legislative services

(614) 540-4000, office

(614) 804-2181, cell

jhogue@ohioschoolboards.org

GOP lieutenant governor candidate meets with leading education groups

COLUMBUS — Republican Ohio lieutenant governor candidate Jon Husted met Friday with leaders from the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA), Buckeye Association of School Administrators and Ohio Association of School Business Officials at OSBA's office in Columbus. Husted is the running mate of gubernatorial candidate and Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine. They are opposing Democratic gubernatorial candidate Richard Cordray and his running mate, Betty Sutton.

Husted, who is Ohio Secretary of State and previously served in the state legislature, shared highlights of the campaign's Kids Agenda, which focuses on helping children who are growing up in difficult situations.

He said the agenda's components comprise key building blocks to prepare children to enter kindergarten ready to learn. They include ensuring effective prenatal care; helping new mothers understand how to promote their children's social, emotional and physical health; and providing high-quality child care that fosters development on multiple levels.

Another component, which Husted said is one of the campaign's few specific spending commitments, is access to mental health services for all students.

"We are going to make sure that every school has access to a mental health professional, not just for school safety purposes ... but also to help children overcome the adverse childhood experiences, the difficult circumstances, they find at home so that you can get them to schools ... and have a chance to educate them."

—more—

Lieutenant governor candidate 2/2/2/2/2

Among the attendees at the meeting were members of the OSBA Executive Committee and OSBA Board Member Cabinet. Reporters are encouraged to check the following names to see if any of the individuals are from their coverage area.

OSBA Executive Committee members participating were:

- OSBA Immediate Past President Denise Baba, a school board member at Streetsboro City Schools. Baba also serves on the OSBA Board Member Cabinet.
- OSBA 2019 president-elect nominee Lee Schreiner, a school board member at South-Western City Schools in Franklin County.
- OSBA President Randy Smith, a school board member at Forest Hills Local Schools in Hamilton County. Smith also serves on the OSBA Board Member Cabinet.

Representatives from the OSBA Board Member Cabinet included these school board members:

- Jackie Arendt, North Royalton City Schools and Cuyahoga Valley Career Center;
- Al Long, North College Hill City Schools and Great Oaks Career Campuses;
- Dr. Nancy Nestor-Baker, Westerville City Schools;
- Bruce D. Nottke, Tri-County Career Center in Athens County;
- Vincent B. Popo, Walnut Township Local Schools in Fairfield County;
- Chris Varwig, Toledo City Schools.