



WPS BOARD BRIEFS Regular Board Meeting January 14, 2019 ~ 6:00 PM

Personnel Transactions:

Action Item – Approved

The Board approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

- Denise Borella, Paraprofessional – Gladiola, Effective 12/27/18
- Taylor Johnson, Paraprofessional – REI, Effective 12/12/18
- Craig Sellers, Applications Support Specialist, Effective 1/07/19
- Jennifer McDuffe, Food Service, Effective 1/07/19

Retirements / Resignations:

- Amy Larson, Teacher – West, Effective 12/21/18
- Jennifer Leonard, Food Service, Effective 1/04/19
- Heidi Kett, Teacher – West, Effective 1/15/19

Wyoming Junior High Building
Tour & Spotlight Presentation:

Prior to the Board meeting, members of the WPS Board of Education participated in a guided tour of Wyoming Junior High led by Principal Jon Blackburn. The focus of the tour was to provide those in attendance with an overview of some of the programs currently implemented in the building.

Mr. Blackburn shared with the Board the implementation of Leading Educators. The mission of the program is to “advance teachers’ leadership skills and opportunities, building national movement to ensure all students have the opportunity to succeed in school and life.” The vision is to have “great schools for all students.” Program values include equity, service, community, growth and results. Program goals include helping to close achievement gaps in underperforming subgroups, understanding mental models, and giving all students frequent access to grade-level texts to help them access those texts and be more prepared for State Assessments and for success in the workplace.

Oriole Park Spotlight Presentation:

Oriole Park Elementary Principal, Dr. Jenn Slanger, along with physical education instructor Jen Weenum shared with the Board how cardio drumming has been implemented in our WPS elementary schools and at the Regional Center. Cardio drumming is a non-competitive exercise activity that uses drum sticks, yoga balls and buckets. Participants strike the ball, click the sticks in the air, jump and run in place or around the ball, hit the ground with the drumsticks, perform squats and jumping jacks, dance and have fun. Anyone can participate in cardio drumming regardless of age, fitness level or physical limitations.

Stop The Bleed Presentation:

On the afternoon of Tuesday, January 8th, WPS high school and junior high teachers participated in the Stop The Bleed trauma training provided by Metro Health and the Wyoming Police Department. Representatives from Metro Health, the Wyoming Fire Department and the Wyoming Police Department provided the Board an overview of the

	<p>training provided to WPS staff. The training focused on what to do in trauma situations to assist those who are injured. Buildings were also provided buckets of supplies to be strategically placed throughout the building to assist in the administration of first aid in an emergency situation.</p>
Swearing In of New WPS Board of Education Members:	As a result of the November 2018 school board election, new WPS Board of Education Members, Brian Jirous and Jennifer Lewis, were sworn in for six-year terms at the meeting.
2019 Annual Board Organizational Resolutions: Action Item - Approved	<p>Approval was granted regarding the 2019 Annual Board Organizational Resolutions approving election coordination, financial institutions, legal representation, check, purchase order and employment contract signing, as well as WPS Board of Education meeting dates and times.</p> <p>The Board will organize for 2019 as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lisa Manley – President ● Mary VandeWater – Vice President ● Paul Huizinga – Treasurer ● Craig Popma – Secretary ● Brian Jirous – Trustee ● Jennifer Lewis – Trustee ● Jeff Norton - Trustee
Bond Update:	Bids for Series I site work were due on Monday, January 14 th . The budget for this project was approximately \$5.2 M and the low bids received totaled approximately \$4.7M. The goal will be to award site work contracts at the January 28 th WPS BoE meeting. The building portion of Series I will go out for bid next month with bid awards in early March.
Solar Project: Action Item - Approved	The Board reviewed and approved a letter of interest (LOI) from Natural Resources Capital Management, an energy investment firm, to build a 150 kW solar array on the WHS roof and sell the power generated to the District at 9.25 cents per kWh, increased 2% annually for 25 years. This rate will result in a savings of approximately \$10,000 per year on electric bills at WHS.
TEAM 21 Cohort L Update:	The TEAM 21 Cohort L grant will be awarded on June 4, 2019. Cohort L covers the program costs for our elementary schools. If WPS is not renewed as a grant recipient during this cycle, a budget plan has been developed to allow for a 6-week summer school program so summer academic intervention is not interrupted.
School Accountability A-F System:	House Bill 5526, which is the A-F scorecard grading legislation, was passed during Lane Duck session. This change will mean it is the third accountability system in three years. WPS is fully committed to continuously improving and like many around the State, would appreciate a consistent accountability system to best measure positive growth over time.
Board of Education Professional Development – School Finance:	Matt Lewis, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Administrative Services, will lead professional learning on school finance with the Board on Thursday, February 7 th as an extension of the Board work session.

2019-20 Secondary Curriculum Guide:

Action Item - Approved

The Board voted to adopt the proposed curriculum updates and changes to the 2019-20 secondary curriculum guide.

WHS MMC Diploma Request:

Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the request for a WHS student who has met all MMC credit requirements to receive his/her MMC diploma.

WJH Student Trip Request:

Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the WJH MiCI student trip to Traverse City, MI scheduled from January 29th through February 1st to attend and compete in the Special Olympics State Winter Games.

Student Reinstatement Request Student 1718.03:

Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the reinstatement of student 1718.03 who demonstrated sufficient evidence to warrant a return to school. Student 1718.03 has been placed on and is aware of his/her strict expectation plan moving forward.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Sessions:

Thursday, January 24, 2019 ~ 4:30 PM – WPS Admin Building

Thursday, February 7, 2019 ~ 4:30 PM – WPS Admin Building

Board Meetings:

Monday, January 28, 2019 ~ 6:00 PM – WPS Admin Building

Monday, February 11, 2019 ~ 6:00 PM – WPS Admin Building

Other Events:

Thursday, January 17, 2019 – 6:00 PM – West STEM Night

Friday, January 18, 2019 – 6:30 PM – OP Jack Frost Family Night