



WYOMING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

3575 Gladiola Avenue SW | Wyoming, Michigan 49519

WPS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Board Meeting

July 22, 2019 ~ 5:00 PM

Personnel Transactions: Consent Items – Approved	The Board approved the following personnel transactions: <u>New Hires:</u> Nick Damico, Principal – Parkview, Effective 8/01/19 Kristen Fuss, Principal – Oriole Park, Effective 8/01/19 Brian Hartigan, Principal – West, Effective 8/01/19 <u>Retirements / Resignations:</u> Kailey Fink, Technology Integration Specialist, Effective 7/26/19 Luke Nykamp, Teacher – WHS, Effective 8/14/19 Emily Liley, Teacher – WJH, Effective 8/14/19 Raymond Bentz, Custodian – WHS, Effective 8/30/19
WESSA Contract Ratification: Action Item - Ratified	The Board reviewed and ratified the three-year WESSA (Wyoming Education Support Staff Association) contract.
Staffing Update:	Assistant Superintendent of Employee Relations, Sarah Earnest, provided an update of our current new staff, along with those positions which are still vacant and the plan to have those filled.
Onboarding:	Dates and times have been communicated to affected staff that will be part of professional learning both coming into and throughout the year. These experiences take into account what is essential information to enter the school year with success and continuous support as the year progresses.
WEA Contract Negotiations Update:	An update was provided to the Board in regard to the current contract negotiations process with our Education Association.
WPS 2019-20 District Calendar:	The Board was provided a copy of the latest District calendar dated July 7, 2019.
2019-20 WPS Board of Education Meeting Schedule:	The Board reviewed the 2019-20 WPS Board of Education meeting schedule.
WPS Board of Education Professional Development:	Superintendent Hoekstra suggested that the Board set two (2) full Board professional development opportunities for the coming school year. The Board agreed to November 7 th as their fall professional development date and March 19 th as their spring professional development date.
2019-20 MASB Superintendent Evaluation:	The 2020 MASB Superintendent evaluation schedule was set for the coming school year so that the comprehensive process is done throughout the year as compared to an end of year process.

Developmental Kindergarten Pilot:	WPS will be piloting a developmental kindergarten program during the 2019-20 school year. Piloting one section of a DK class will provide our youngest, most at-risk students, an opportunity to grow and be well prepared for their kindergarten experience while also gathering data to see if this would be an impactful educational experience that will launch them into a successful elementary academic experience. This program will be housed at West Elementary and will be accessed by students who enroll and would otherwise attend kindergarten at West.
Board Policy 2340 Review:	The Board reviewed Policy 2340. Superintendent Hoekstra will draft up administrative guidelines for student trips for the Board to consider adopting prior to the start of the 2019-20 school year.
Opening Day Kickoff Board Representative(s):	Board members were invited to the staff kickoff event that will take place at Grand Rapids First on Monday, August 19 th from 7-9 AM. Vice President, Tom Mott, will be the Board representative to welcome staff to the 2019-20 school year.
Water Main Easement: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved the proposed utility easement with the City of Wyoming for the new water main at the high school addition.
Chromebook Purchase: Action Item – Approved	The Board approved the purchase of 648 Chromebooks from CDW-G in the amount of \$146,184.
Scholastic Purchase: Action Item – Approved	The Board approved the purchase of textbooks for Oriole Park grades 1, 3 and 4 from Scholastic in the amount of \$27,673.
CleverTouch Purchase: Action Item – Approved	The Board approved the purchase of 40 CleverTouch devices with stands for the amount of \$182,306.
2019-20 District School Improvement Plan:	Members of the Board were provided a copy and summary of the 2019-20 District School Improvement Plan. This plan was created as a result of a review of student outcomes and level of impact of the previous year’s goals, strategies and activities. The plan will be monitored throughout the year as monthly District School Improvement meetings occur.
2019-20 Instructional Minutes:	Kindergarten through fourth grade staff have been provided the finalized instructional minutes expectations for the 2019-20 school year. This collaborative effort involved staff from each elementary site and will be reviewed as the year progresses.
Summer School Update:	The six-week summer school program recently concluded. The summer intervention program supported over 500 students District-wide that specifically addressed areas needing additional skill development.
WHS MMC Diploma Requests (4): Action Item - Approved	The Board approved the WHS request for four (4) students, who have met all Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) expectations, to graduate.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Sessions:

Thursday, August 8, 2019 – 4:30 PM – WPS Admin Building
Thursday, August 22, 2019 – 4:30 PM – WPS Admin Building

Board Meetings:

Monday, August 12, 2019 – 5:00 PM – WPS Admin Building
Monday, August 26, 2019 – 6:00 PM – WPS Admin Building

Other:

Monday, August 19, 2019 – Opening Day Kickoff – GR First – 7:00 AM
Tuesday, August 20, 2019 – First Day of School
(1/2 Day – Students AM Only)
Tuesday, May 19, 2020 – WHS Graduation – GR First – 7:00 PM