



WPS BOARD BRIEFS
Regular Board Meeting
September 14, 2020 ~ 6:00 PM

8/24/20 Board Minutes:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the regular session WPS Board of Education meeting held at 6 PM on Monday, August 24, 2020.

Personnel Transactions:
Action Item – Approved

The Board approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Thomas DeJager, Custodian - Admin Bldg, Gladiola & Community Ed, Effective 8/31/20

David Hansen, Custodian - Oriole Park, Effective 9/08/20

Kristina Thompson, Counselor - WHS, Effective 9/08/20

Ashley Almas, Virtual Teacher - West, Effective 9/08/20

Lindsey Day, Virtual Teacher - West, Effective 9/08/20

Abbey Shotwell, Virtual Teacher - West, Effective 9/08/20

Christina Montoro, Virtual Teacher - WIS, Effective 9/08/20

Mackenzie Potter, Virtual Teacher - West, Effective 9/08/20

Emily Tubman, Student Advocate - Parkview, Effective 9/09/20

Leaves of Absence:

Paraprofessional - Parkview, 2020-21 School Year

Food Service, 2020-21 School Year

Food Service, 8/10/20 - 9/18/20

Teacher – WHS, Intermittent Leave 2020-21 School Year

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Instructional Coach – WIS, Intermittent Leave 2020-21 School Year

Retirements / Resignations:

Nick Staten, Paraprofessional - REI, Effective 8/24/20

Patricia Vriezema, Secretary & Lunch Aide – Parkview, Effective 8/26/20

Alisha Caron-Abayisenga, Teacher - WJH, Effective 9/04/20

Jeff Kordich, Teacher - WHS, Effective 9/07/20

Thomas DeJager, Custodian - Admin Bldg, Gladiola & Community Ed, Effective 9/11/20

2020-21 Enrollment Update:

The Board was provided an update on 2020-21 in person and virtual enrollment numbers. 95% of the 2020-21 projected student count has enrolled. Of those enrolled, 55% have opted for in person learning while 45% opted to attend WPS Virtual. Building administration will continue to reach out to the 5% who have not yet enrolled. Administration will begin reaching out to families to gauge intent on in person or virtual learning for the next quarter / semester.

MHSAA Fall Update:

A fall MHSAA athletics update was provided. WPS will be participating in football, cross country, golf, tennis, soccer, volleyball and cheer this fall. All student athletes, coaches and officials are required to wear masks at all times. It was noted that game dates and times could be adjusted to accommodate a shortage of game officials and the need to complete games prior to dusk to mitigate the threat of EEE.

WPS Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan:
Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the reporting timeline and information in the WPS Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. This plan does not replace the District's COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan, it is an additional plan that includes new assurances and sections on educational goals, instructional delivery, grading and equitable access. District educational goals written for all students and all subgroups must be established by no later than September 14, 2020 and plans must be submitted to ISDs for approval by no later than October 1, 2020.

Safety & Preparedness Update:

The Board was provided a safety and preparedness plan. Superintendent Hoekstra noted that no significant changes have been made to the WPS safety and preparedness plan since school began. He attributed this to the thoroughness and thoughtfulness of the plan developed with the assistance of over 100 stakeholders.

Seven (7) grants have been received to date by the District to assist in expenses related to COVID-19 education and prevention.

Finance Reports – August 2020 Check Register:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the August 2020 check register.

Emergency Purchase Ratification:
Action Item – Approved

The Board ratified and approved the three (3) emergency purchases for PPE materials used to aid in the prevention and spread of COVID-19. The total cost of the three (3) purchases is \$159,601.07.

WHS Phase 2 Furniture Purchase:
Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the Wyoming High School phase 2 furniture purchase which is not to exceed \$352,000. Purchases will be made from national contracts and will include furnishings for the cafeteria, administrative office, future freshman corridor classrooms and associated extended learning spaces.

Audit & Budget Update:

Superintendent Hoekstra provided the Board an update on the audit and budget. Our most recent audit came back as “clean” with no flags or concerns. Superintendent Hoekstra recognized the WPS business office for their hard work and attention to detail.

2020-21 MHSAA Membership Renewal:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the request to renew membership in the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) for the 2020-21 school year.

2020-21 Extended Continuity of Learning Plan:

This plan is in addition to the District's COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan and outlines new assurances and sections on educational goals, instructional delivery, and equitable access for all students.

Wyoming Intermediate – Intro To Literature & Writing Pilot (6th Grade):

Four (4) 6th grade teachers at Wyoming Intermediate will be piloting a reading and writing program this year. The current Houghton Mifflin resource they have been using is no longer in print.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Sessions:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 – 4:30 PM

Thursday, October 8, 2020 – 4:30 PM

Board Meetings:

Monday, September 28, 2020 – 6:00 PM

Monday, October 12, 2020 – 6:00 PM