



WPS BOARD BRIEFS
Regular Board Meeting
September 28, 2020 ~ 6:00 PM

9/14/20 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, September 14, 2020.

Personnel Transactions:
Action Item – Approved

The Board approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Kyle McHugh, Virtual Teacher – WHS, Effective September 11, 2020
Thomas Rodgers, Teacher – Gladiola, Effective September 17, 2020
Ranee Cole, Virtual Teacher – WJH, Effective September 21, 2020
Tanesha Reid, Paraprofessional – REI, Effective September 25, 2020

Retirements / Resignations:

Carol Polakis, Paraprofessional – REI, Effective September 30, 2020

KLASB Virtual Dinner –
October 22, 2020:

The KLASB Fall Dinner meeting will be held virtually via Zoom at 7 PM on October 22nd. A presentation will be given by Kirsten Myers, Director of Special Education, and a panel of mental health experts from Kent School Services Network (KSSN) and other partner organizations. Board members wishing to attend the virtual meeting should RSVP to Christie McEwen by no later than October 15th.

Fall Update:

An update was provided to the Board related to the WPS Safe Reentry Plan's execution and the learning offerings currently in place. Superintendent Hoekstra reminded the Board of the timeline K-4 and 5-12 parents have to reevaluate their children's educational election. The data derived from this process will inform the next series of decisions the administration will need to make as the year progresses.

Count Day – October 7, 2020:

The 2020 fall student count day is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7th. There are two windows connected to Count Day for all schools in Michigan. The first is all students who are “Unexcused” on Count Day. They have ten (10) school days (until Wednesday, October 21st) to attend school and count towards the District’s enrollment numbers. The second window is for “Excused” students who have 30 calendar days (November 6th) to report back to school.

Building Spotlights (Parkview &
Gladiola Elementary):

The Board offered suggestions for what they would appreciate from the Building Spotlight presentations this year. Superintendent Hoekstra will coordinate efforts with building administrators in organizing this year's schedule with the continued goal of showcasing the great work and celebrations of District students and staff.

Feeding America Mobile Food
Pantry – Fall Schedule:

The Board was provided the Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry distribution schedule for the fall of 2020. There will be opportunities for Board members to join distribution efforts prior to attending Board meetings on October 12th, October 26th and December 14th if interested.

<p>Bond Sale Ratification: Action Item – Approved</p>	<p>The Board ratified and approved the documentation related to the sale of bonds.</p>
<p>Industrial Hygienist Bid Award: Action Item – Approved</p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the industrial hygiene award recommendations provided by Christman for work at Oriole Park and Parkview elementary schools. Fibertec, who has done work at Wyoming High School, was the low responsive bidder at \$36,430.</p>
<p>TFC Corporate Resolution – Authorized Signatures: Action Item – Approved</p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the TCF corporate resolution for authorized signatures. This resolution pertains to a new investment account for upcoming bond proceeds. The approved resolution will name Matt Lewis, Assistant Superintendent of Finance & Administrative Services, and Jodi Goff, District Accountant, as authorized signers.</p>
<p>Constitution Day – September 17, 2020:</p>	<p>Public Law 108-447 requires all educational institutions receiving federal funds to provide an educational program on the United States Constitution on September 17, 2020, to the students served by the educational institution. Superintendent Hoekstra has on file a list of activities that took place in accordance with this requirement and has completed the annual certification for the District.</p>
<p>Constitutionally Protected Prayer:</p>	<p>The U.S. Department of Education (USED) requires that each local or intermediate school district, as a condition of receiving funds under any portion of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 as amended, annually certify to the state agency that it has no policy that prevents, or otherwise denies participation in constitutionally protected prayer in public schools. Superintendent Hoekstra has completed and submitted the required annual certification for constitutionally protected prayer.</p>
<p>WHS MMC Diploma Request: Action Item – Approved</p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the request submitted by WHS Principal, Josh Baumbach, to allow a student to graduate with their peer group in the spring of 2023 pending the successful completion of the required 18 Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) expectations.</p>
<p>Upcoming Events:</p>	<p><u>Board Committee Work Sessions:</u> Thursday, October 8, 2020 – 4:30 PM Thursday, October 22, 2020 – 4:30 PM <u>Board Meetings:</u> Monday, October 12, 2020 – 6:00 PM Monday, October 26, 2020 – 6:00 PM</p>