



**WPS BOARD BRIEFS**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**May 10, 2021 ~ 6:00 PM**

WPS BoE Student Character Award Presentations:	<p>Eighteen (18) K-9 students were recognized for contributions in the areas of service, effort, and kindness at the Board meeting on Monday, May 10th. All award winners and their parents were sent an invitation to the meeting which was held at Wyoming Junior High in the Dan Heintzelman Fine Arts Center. At the meeting, each student was recognized by their building principal and provided a certificate and medal. Winners included:</p> <p><b>Gladiola</b> – Evelin Hernandez-Galvez, Madison Brooks, Oscar Heranadez-Ceja <b>Oriole Park</b> – Jackson Reynolds, Sophia Dominguez, Zariah Watkins <b>Parkview</b> – Zaelyn Pleasants, Kayle Ramirez-Bautista, Morgaan Welch <b>West</b> – Jaiden Rucki, Angel Hernandez-Aguilar, Erwin Alegria-Mejia <b>WIS</b> – Lyric McPhee, Emersyn Arnold, Mya Palma <b>WJH</b> – Zhahari Horton, Emily Zarco, Emily Bedolla</p>
04/26/21 Board Minutes: <b>Action Item – Approved</b>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the regular session WPS Board of Education meeting held at 6 PM on Monday, April 26, 2021.</p>
Personnel Transactions: <b>Action Item – Approved</b>	<p>The Board approved the following personnel transactions:</p> <p><b><u>New Hires:</u></b> Autumn Shipley-Mellon, Teacher – REI, Effective 5/03/21 Corey Bartley, School Psychologist, Effective 7/01/21</p> <p><b><u>Leaves of Absence:</u></b> Food Service – WIS, FMLA, Effective 4/22/21 – 5/06/21 Teacher – Parkview, 2021-2022 School Year Teacher – WHS, Intermittent Leave Beginning 5/01/21</p>
Superintendent Evaluation:	<p>Following the committee meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup>, the Board met to work through Section A Governance &amp; Board Relations and Section B Community Relations of Superintendent Hoekstra’s 2020-21 evaluation. The group used the superintendent evaluation tool provided by MASB.</p>
Kent ISD – District Election Representative & KIASB Candidate Selection:	<p>The Board was presented a resolution regarding the upcoming biennial election of the Kent ISD Board for consideration and recommendation. The Board will take action on the resolution at the May 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.</p>
Author Recognition:	<p>Superintendent Hoekstra recognized WPS Board of Education President, Lisa Manley, for her accomplishment of becoming a published author. Mrs. Manley’s book is titled “<i>If you can imagine</i>” and is available on Amazon.</p>
Retirement Recognition:	<p>The Board was provided an update in planning for recognizing our retirees for the 2020-2021 school year.</p>

Staffing 2021-2022:	The Board was provided an update on staffing plans for the 2021-2022 school year.
WPS COVID-19 Dashboard Review:	The Board was provided a copy of the most recent (May 10, 2021) WPS COVID-19 dashboard for review. The group was provided an update on our Preparedness Plan, building safety efforts, and current COVID response.
Alpha Wolf 11:	The 11 <sup>th</sup> Alpha Wolf 11 Champions of Character celebration will be held on Friday, May 14 <sup>th</sup> at 10 AM in the WHS main gym. Unlike Alpha Wolf 11 events of the past, this ceremony will be held by grade level to maintain social distancing and COVID safety measures. The sophomore class ceremony begins at 10 AM. The junior class ceremony will begin at 11:15 AM and the senior class will be celebrated at 12:30 PM. Dr. Bill Pink, President of Grand Rapids Community College, will provide the keynote speech.
Kent ISD 2021-2022 Budget: <b>Action Item – Approved</b>	The Board reviewed and approved the 2021-2022 Kent ISD budget.
WHS Graduation Logistics:	WHS Principal Josh Baumbach provided senior parents with a letter outlining details of upcoming senior events. Senior award and scholarship winners will be recognized during the May 14 <sup>th</sup> Alpha Wolf ceremony. Commencement will be held on Tuesday, May 25 <sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the Wyoming Wolves Stadium. Each senior will be provided four (4) tickets to be shared with family. The event will be livestreamed for those unable to attend. Principal Baumbach noted that “while we are disappointed, we cannot offer more tickets, we are excited to be able to host the ceremony.”
Fall Enrollment:	The Board was provided an update regarding fall enrollment projections.
Mrs. Sluiter’s 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Equity Project:	Mrs. Sluiter’s students have studied equity and inclusivity over the course of the year. As part of a culminating writing activity, students wrote persuasive essays to our Board of Education about how WPS could improve learning experiences & learning environment for students.
Upcoming Events:	<p><b><u>Board Committee Work Sessions:</u></b>  Thursday, May 20, 2021 – 4:30 PM  Thursday, June 10, 2021 – 4:30 PM</p> <p><b><u>Board Meetings:</u></b>  Monday, May 24, 2021 – 6 PM  Monday, June 14, 2021 – 6 PM</p> <p><b><u>Other:</u></b>  Alpha Wolf 11 Celebration – May 14, 2021 – 10 AM  Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry–Gladiola – May 24, 2021–5 PM  WPS Employee Recognition – May 24, 2021 – 6 PM  WHS Class of 2021 Graduation – May 25, 2021 – 7PM</p>