



**WPS BOARD BRIEFS**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**May 22, 2023 ~ 5:00 PM**

Alpha Wolf 11 Champions of Character:

WHS Principal Josh Baumbach and teacher John Doyle were in attendance on Monday (05/22/23) evening to share the Wyoming High School building spotlight presentation which recognized the WHS Alpha Wolf 11 award recipients (Dayanara Alejo, Nathan Jones, Johan Guzman, Fernando Picazo, Lena Albanese, Hana Hasanovic, Logan Schroeder, and Abigail Strait). These scholars were recently selected by staff and peers at Wyoming High School as Champions of Character for displaying kindness, compassion, and gratitude in all that they do.

Dayanara Alejo thanked the Board for their support of the program and said she was surprised her name was called. She took part in the fall AW11 Retreat and feels that was a good way to launch the school year.

Nathan Jones said that being selected as an Alpha Wolf made him feel special. He said he was honored to win the award and feels appreciated by his fellow students. He said his family is very proud and his friends were excited for him.

Johan Guzman thanked the group for support of the program. He feels participating in wrestling has helped him to come out of his shell. He said that it means a lot to see his friends win as well.

Fernando Picazo thanked the group for the award. He said winning made him realize his actions do make an impact on others. He participates in Rising Educators and enjoys visits to the elementary buildings. Fernando took a moment to recognize and thank his mother for her support, perseverance, and courage after the passing of his father.

Mr. Doyle said Lena Albanese “lights up a room” and gets along with many different friend groups.

Hana Hasanovic expressed her gratitude to the Board. She said receiving the award was a “resounding affirmation” she was doing the right thing and validated her actions of kindness and compassion. She also participated in the fall AW11 Retreat and felt that it fostered genuine interaction and new friendships between the scholars. She was excited to see her friends, fellow saxophone players, also recognized. She is “profoundly proud” to play a part in the Alpha Wolf legacy.

Mr. Doyle noted that Logan Schroeder was very deserving of the award and was excited to share the experience with his two grandmothers.

Abigail Strait said she was truly honored to be recognized with her peers. She appreciates the award and works hard to make sure others do not feel like they are not included. She said she makes an active decision each day to be kind and include others.

Following the scholar recognition, Superintendent Hoekstra thanked Mr. Doyle, Mr. Kuiper and Principal Baumbach for their support of the program. He also recognized Mr. Doyle for his time, effort, and leadership. Mr. Hoekstra also said he appreciates that the leadership team centers the program around scholar voice.

05/08/23 Board Minutes:  
**Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the regular session WPS Board of Education meeting held at 5:00 PM on Monday, May 8, 2023.

Personnel Transactions:  
**Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the following personnel transactions:

**Leaves of Absence:**

Paraprofessional, Leave of Absence, Effective 2/15/23 – 4/09/23  
Counselor, Unpaid Leave, Effective 5/04/23 – 6/02/23  
Student Advocate, Leave of Absence, Effective 5/05/23 – 6/06/23

**Retirements / Resignations:**

Steven Bilski, Teacher - WIS, Effective 8/14/23  
Greg Corfixsen, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Ted Custer, Teacher - WJH, Effective 8/14/23  
Tracey Davis, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Catherine Denton, Teacher - WJH, Effective 8/14/23  
Jacqui Dolce, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Kellie Durr, Teacher - Parkview, Effective 8/14/23  
Karen Dunn, Teacher - West, Effective 8/14/23  
Annaka Ediger, Paraprofessional – WRC, Effective 6/02/23  
Trina Iris Harris, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Catherine Kamminga, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Jeanne Kimball, Counselor - WJH, Effective 8/14/23  
Kristi Lohman, Teacher - Parkview, Effective 8/14/23  
Kim Miller, Food Service, Effective 8/14/23  
Laurie Muntter, Teacher - Gladiola, Effective 8/14/23  
Colin Naklizki, Teacher - Oriole Park, Effective 8/14/23  
Mark Omness, Teacher - WJH, Effective 8/14/23  
Michelle Potter, Social Worker - WJH, Effective 8/14/23  
Dan Rusticus, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Holly Savage, Teacher – WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Kellie Self, Teacher - WIS, Effective 8/14/23  
Deb Sheick, Food Service, Effective 8/14/23

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Nicolle Smith, Social Worker - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Lori Steffes, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Rochelle Swanson, Teacher – Oriole Park, Effective 8/14/23  
Renee Thomas, Student Services Secretary, Effective 8/14/23  
Celine Versluis, Teacher - Gladiola, Effective 8/14/23  
Al Vigh, Administrator, Effective 8/14/23  
Anne Walker, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23  
Wendy Williams, Teacher - Gladiola, Effective 8/14/23

2022-23 Retiree Celebration:

In appreciation of their service and dedication to Wyoming Public Schools, 2022-2023 retirees along with members of their immediate family were invited to attend a retirement celebration on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the WHS cafeteria. Dinner was provided for guests who were recognized by their building leadership and colleagues.

Kent ISD Election Resolution:  
**Action Item – Approved**

The Board was presented a resolution regarding the upcoming biennial election of the Board of Kent ISD along with candidate profiles for review, consideration, and recommendation.

The Kent ISD Biennial Election will take place on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at the Kent ISD ESC Building (2930 Knapp St. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525). One member of the WPS Board must physically attend the meeting to cast a vote on behalf of the WPS Board of Education.

This Board approved the designation of Craig Popma as the representative of the Board for the electoral body and Jeff Norton as an alternate representative in the event the designated representative is unable to attend.

The designated representative, or the alternate in the event of the absence of the designated representative, is further directed to cast two (2) votes on the first ballot on behalf of this Board for Wyoming Public Schools.

Wendy Falb, Six-Year Term (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2029)  
Andrea Haidle, Six-Year Term (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2029)

Staff Reduction Resolution:  
**Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the resolution for professional staff reduction as necessary due to 2023-24 projected enrollment numbers, revenue, expenses, program expenses, program success and student outcomes.

April 2023 Finance Reports:  
**Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the April 2023 check register and budget to actual report.

<p>2023 L-4029 Tax Rate Request: <b>Action Item – Approved</b></p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the L-4029 tax rate request form. The operating millage rate is listed at 17.0822. The sinking fund is .4705. Our debt millage will remain at 5.65 mills.</p>
<p>Chartwells Contract Renewal: <b>Action Item – Approved</b></p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the renewal of the 2023-24 Chartwells Food Service Management Contract. This is the fourth annual renewal of four possible.</p>
<p>Wireless Access Point Replacement: <b>Action Item – Approved</b></p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the quote from GovConnection Inc. for the replacement of wireless access points within the district. The cost quoted for the project is \$46,349.30.</p>
<p>WIS Social Studies Curriculum Adoption: <b>Action Item – Approved</b></p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the staff recommendation and quote from TCI in the amount of \$34,941.10 for the adoption of a new Social Studies curriculum at Wyoming Intermediate School.</p>
<p>English 3D Curriculum Adoption: <b>Action Item – Approved</b></p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the staff recommendation and quote from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt in the amount of \$25,058.10 for adoption of the English 3D comprehensive ELA curriculum for 5th-12th grade EL scholars.</p>
<p>2023-24 WHS Curriculum Guide – <i>Revision</i>: <b>Action Item – Approved</b></p>	<p>The Board reviewed and approved the proposed revision to the Wyoming High School 2023-24 Curriculum Guide. This change updates the course title and description of Pre-Calculus to AP Pre-Calculus.</p>
<p>Suspension / Expulsion of Scholar 2223.09: <b>Action Item – Expelled</b></p>	<p>The Board expelled the scholar known as #2223.09 for 180 days. Reinstatement of this scholar would depend on specific criteria being met for re-enrollment in August of 2024.</p>
<p>Suspension / Expulsion of Scholar 2223.10: <b>Action Item – Expelled</b></p>	<p>The Board expelled the scholar known as #2223.10 for 180 days. Reinstatement of this scholar would depend on specific criteria being met for re-enrollment in August of 2024.</p>
<p><b><u>Upcoming Events:</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Board Committee Work Session</u></b> Thursday, June 8, 2023 – 6:30 PM Thursday, June 22, 2023 – 4:30 PM <b><u>Board Meetings:</u></b> Monday, June 12, 2023 – 5 PM Monday, June 26, 2023 – 4:45 PM – Budget Hearing Monday, June 26, 2023 – 5 PM <b><u>Other:</u></b> Class of 2029 Move Up Night at WJH – May 23, 2023 – 6 PM WHS Class of 2023 Graduation – May 24, 2023 – 6:30 PM Last Day of 2022-23 School Year – June 2, 2023 Summer School Starts – June 5, 2023 Feeding America Food Pantry – Parkview – June 26 – 4:30 PM</p>