



WPS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Board Meeting

August 14, 2023 ~ 5:00 PM

07/24/23 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, July 24, 2023.

Personnel Transactions:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Katherine Avink, Teacher - WIS, Effective 8/15/23
Jennifer Birman, Teacher - Oriole Park, Effective 8/15/23
Joseph Dykhouse, Bus Driver, Effective 8/7/23
Eileen Gould, Speech Path, Effective 8/15/23
Morghana Hoose, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/15/23
Christine Karas, Social Worker - WIS, Effective 8/15/23
Jennifer Kidd, Teacher - Parkview, Effective 8/15/23
Heather Kreuze, Teacher – West, Effective 8/15/23
Jacob Newhouse, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/15/23
Heather Oom, Teacher - WIS, Effective 8/15/23
Amy Oostdyk, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/15/23
Heather Pasikowski, Paraprofessional, Effective 8/21/23
Aaron Ramos, Grounds, Effective 7/24/23
Alaina VanderVeen, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/15/23
Ayleen Vargas Adams, Teacher – WIS, Effective 8/15/23
Eloise West, Food Service, Effective 8/21/23

Retirements / Resignations:

Mikayla Carrasco, Paraprofessional, Effective 8/9/23
Kristen Ferguson, Food Service, Effective 8/03/23
Jan-L Garza, Food Service, Effective 8/9/23
Meleah Gibson, Teacher - WHS, Effective 8/14/23
Taryn Offringa, Food Service, Effective 8/9/23
Maralise Rodriguez, Paraprofessional - West, Effective 8/2/23
Nicole Sinke, Custodial, Effective 7/31/23
Jamie Tauler, Paraprofessional - Parkview, Effective 7/31/23
Jenna Veldboom, Teacher - WJH, Effective 8/14/23
Cristina Villagomez Barajas, Food Service, Effective 8/9/23
Jennifer Weenum, Teacher - Gladiola, Effective 8/14/23

Class of 2024:

Graduation will be held on May 22, 2024, with a rain date of May 23, 2024. Principal Baumbach would like the Board to consider keeping the 18-credit graduation requirement for the 2024 graduating class. We currently have 42 seniors who will not have enough credits to graduate in May 2024. COVID and on-line learning have contributed to this. The WPS Board of Education will receive more information on August 24, 2023, in order to make the most informed decision.

WPS Strategic Plan:	Superintendent Hoekstra provided the Board an overview of the internal and external WPS Strategic Plan documents.
WHS Course Guide Updates: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved proposed revisions to the 2023-2024 WHS Curriculum Guide.
2023 New Teacher Professional Learning:	New and probationary teachers will engage in three days of professional learning on August 15, 16, & 17, 2023. Our new K-6 grade teachers attended a one-day Illustrative Mathematics training on August 9, 2023.
<u>Upcoming Events:</u>	<p><u>Board Committee Work Session</u> Thursday, August 24, 2023 – 4:30 PM Thursday, September 7, 2023 – 4:30 PM</p> <p><u>Board Meetings:</u> Monday, August 28, 2023 – 5 PM Monday, September 11, 2023 – 6 PM</p> <p><u>Other:</u> WHS Meet The Team Night – August 15, 2023 – 5 PM WIS Open House – August 17, 2023 – 6 PM Gladiola Open House – August 21, 2023 – 5 PM Parkview Back To School Night – August 21, 2023 – 5 PM West Open House – August 21, 2023 – 5 PM Oriole Park Open House – August 21, 2023 – 5:30 PM First Day of School – August 22, 2023 Wolf PAC – August 25, 2023 WHS Open House – September 6, 2023 – 6 PM WJH Open House – September 7, 2023 – 6 PM</p>