



WPS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Board Meeting

November 13, 2023 ~ 6:00 PM

Robotics Team Presentation:

Ryan Tunnell, Amy Oostdyk, and members of the Wyoming Robotics Team provided an overview of robotic competition challenges and demonstrated how their robot works.

The group focuses on being a scholar-led program learning CAD, programming, machining, assembly, electrical, and skills such as communication and teamwork. The robotics season runs for twelve weeks starting in January. They will compete in two competitions prior to regionals.

The group thanked the Board for their continual support of the program.

10/23/23 Board Minutes:

Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the regular session WPS Board of Education meeting held at 6:00 PM on Monday, October 23, 2023.

Personnel Transactions:

Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Corey Bordo, Business Office / HR, Effective 11/13/23

Mikayla Carrasco, Paraprofessional - WIS, Effective 10/30/23

Lorna Colon, Secretary – WIS, Effective 11/09/23

Nayeli Garcia, Paraprofessional - West, Effective 10/30/23

Bertha Santos, Food Service - Gladiola, Effective 11/09/23

Daniela Tizcareno, Food Service - WHS, Effective 11/09/23

Retirements / Resignations:

Barbara Rouster, Food Service, Effective 10/25/23

Irma Quintino, Secretary – WIS, Effective 11/03/23

Eloise West, Food Service, Effective 11/08/23

Parkview Elementary Spotlight Presentation:

On Thursday evening, Mrs. Brenna Fraser, Parkview Elementary Principal, shared with the group how their building is creating a culture of safety and belonging through their Scholar of the Month program. She also provided an overview of their building theme “Let’s Grow” and the Parkview Marigolds.

West Michigan Teacher Collaborative (WMTC) Update:

Kent, Ottawa, and Muskegon counties were awarded a grant to identify 300 aspiring teachers or teachers who would like an additional endorsement. Wyoming has 11 staff members who have applied and would like to participate. Wyoming was the third highest in the county with regard to participation. All of the

	<p>applicants had to write an essay as part of the application process. Assistant Superintendent of Employee Relations, Sarah Earnest, will be meeting with the director of the WMTC regarding all of Wyoming's applicants.</p>
OK Conference Realignment Proposal:	The Board reviewed the most recent OK Conference Realignment Proposal. This applies to all high school athletic teams within each district.
Prairie Parkway Improvements:	The Board reviewed updates to plans to improve the flow of traffic on Prairie Parkway. The proposed change will shift from a four-lane road to a three-lane road with one continuous lane.
2024 Summer Tax Resolution: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved the 2024 summer tax resolution.
Gladiola Trip Request – Kalamazoo Air Zoo: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved the Gladiola Elementary 4 th grade scholar trip request for travel to and from the Kalamazoo Air Zoo on May 22, 2024. While at the Kalamazoo Air Zoo, scholars will participate in interactive science and STEAM related activities. They will also participate in a scavenger hunt, learn about the history of aviation and space flight, and explore all the air zoo has to offer.
Suspension / Expulsion of Scholar 2324.05: Action Item – Expelled	The Board expelled the scholar known as #2324.05 for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year. Reinstatement of this scholar will depend on specific criteria being met for re-enrollment of the scholar in August of 2024.
<u>Upcoming Events:</u>	<p><u>Board Committee Work Session</u> Thursday, December 7, 2023 – 4:30 PM Thursday, January 4, 2024 – 4:30 PM</p> <p><u>Board Meetings:</u> Monday, December 11, 2023 – 6 PM Monday, January 8, 2024 – 6 PM</p> <p><u>Other:</u> Feeding America Food Pantry – WHS – Nov. 20, 2023 – 4:30 PM November 22-24, 2023 – Thanksgiving Break Winter Choral Concert - DHFAC - December 4, 2023 - 7 PM Wyoming Kentwood Chamber Santa Parade – Dec. 9, 2023 - 10 AM Feeding America Food Pantry – WHS – Dec. 11, 2023 – 4:30 PM WJH Band Holiday Concert - DHFAC - December 12, 2023 - 7 PM WHS Band Holiday Concert - DHFAC - December 14, 2023 - 7 PM AW11 Celebration – December 15, 2023 – 12:30 PM West Elementary Winter Concert - December 19, 2023 - 6 PM Scholar 1/2 Days – December 21st & 22nd, 2023 Winter Break – December 25, 2023 – January 5, 2024</p>