



WPS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Board Meeting

August 12, 2024 ~ 5:00 PM

07/22/24 Board Minutes:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the regular Board meeting minutes for the meeting held on Monday, July 22, 2024 at 5 PM.

Personnel Transactions:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Connie Duimstra, Special Ed Para at WECC, Eff 8/15/24

Jacqueline Kudary, Speech Pathologist at WECC, Eff 8/15/24

Megan MacGraw, EL Teacher at West, Eff 8/15/24

Addyson Moulton, Special Ed Para at Glad, Eff 8/15/24

Julie Vanderstolp, Special Ed Para at PKVW, Eff 8/15/24

Position Changes:

Ashley Stellema, Lead Cook Pre-K, Eff 8/15/24

Nicolette Shea, Deli Station, WJH, Eff 8/15/24

Sue Hubscher, Food Service, WIS, Eff 8/15/24

John Hoezee, Maintenance, WJH, Eff 7/29/24

Joe Firme, Head Custodian, OP, Eff 8/5/24

Emily Raak, Reading Interventionist, Pkvw, Eff 8/15/24

Ellen Termolen, Special Ed Para, Glad, Eff 8/15/24

Siera Vincent, 4th Grade Teacher, OP, Effective 8/15/24

Resignations:

Elizabeth Davarn, Para, OP, Eff 8/1/24

Robert Hyde, Teacher, OP, Eff 8/14/24

Susan Tywan, Food Service, WHS, Eff 8/1/24

Carmen Del Rosario Centeno, Food Service, WHS, Eff 8/6/24

Construction Update:

WJHS and WIS are both on track for completion prior to the start of the school year. The Secondary Learning Academy will experience a delayed start so that construction can be completed.

2024-25 Preparedness:

As we kick off the 2024-2025 school year, we're engaged in several important events. On August 12, we'll hold our Administrative Retreat. On August 13, new WPS staff members will participate in onboarding, followed by two days of professional learning for new teachers on August 14 and 15. On August 23, we'll welcome Dr. Campbell in the morning and staff will engage in professional learning at their respective buildings in the afternoon. Additionally, each elementary building will host Kindergarten Smart Start during the week of August 12.

WJH Mezzanine Bleachers:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the TIPS price quote in the amount of \$56,784 for new Made In Michigan Interkal Telescopic Spectator Seating to be used in the Wyoming Junior High School.

Amplify CKLA Professional Learning Update:

Our kindergarten through 5th grade teachers will be implementing a new English Language Arts curriculum this fall: Amplify Core Knowledge Language Arts. 89 staff members attended our initial Amplify CKLA training last week Tuesday. We received training on best practices for implementing this new resource and guidance on the digital platform. Our EL staff attended an additional training to learn about Language Studio, an EL development companion to CKLA. In addition to these trainings, each building will receive additional professional learning throughout the school year.

2024-2025 New Teacher Professional Learning:

August 13, 14, and 15 we will welcome our new WPS staff for three days of learning. August 13 is dedicated to onboarding those individuals who are new to WPS. August 14 and 15 is dedicated to teachers who are in their first three years of teaching. They will engage in learning around classroom management, strong instructional practices, and our teacher evaluation and growth process.

WHS Scholar Trip Request – Band To Jenison HS:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the scholar travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for travel to and from Jenison High School on September 28, 2024, to perform at a marching band competition.

WHS Scholar Trip Request – Band To Wayland HS:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the scholar travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for travel to and from Wayland High School on October 8, 2024, to perform at a marching band competition.

WHS Scholar Trip Request – Band To Grandville HS & EK HS:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the scholar travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for travel to and from both Grandville High School and East Kentwood High School on October 19, 2024, to perform at marching band competitions.

WHS Scholar Trip Request – Band To Wyoming Kentwood Parade:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the scholar travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for travel to and from the Wyoming Kentwood Santa Parade on December 14, 2024, to perform in the parade.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Session

Thursday, August 22, 2024 – 4:30 PM

Thursday, September 5, 2024 – 4:30 PM

Board Meetings:

Monday, August 26, 2024 – 5 PM

Monday, September 9, 2024 – 6 PM

Other:

First Day of 2024-2025 School Year – August 20, 2024

Wolf PAC Professional Development–No School–August 23, 2024

Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry–August 26, 2024 – 4:30 PM - WHS

Labor Day Holiday – No School – August 30th & September 2nd