



WPS BOARD BRIEFS
Regular Board Meeting
October 28, 2024 ~ 6:00 PM

10/14/24 Board Minutes:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the regular Board meeting minutes for the meeting held on Monday, October 14, 2024 at 6 PM.

Personnel Transactions:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the following personnel transactions:

Position Changes:

Dave Hansen, PKVW Maintenance, Eff 10/28/24

Leaves of Absence:

Bus Driver, LOA, Eff 11/7/24-11/18/24

Bus Driver, LOA, Eff 10/22/24-1/6/25

Para at WJH, FMLA, Eff 10/17/24-TBD Intermittent

Teacher at WJH, FMLA, Eff 4/11/25-Fall 2025

Resignations:

Ransom Hoeflinger, Cust at WHS, Eff 10/30/24

Joanne Campbell-Avendt, Reading Intervention at OP, Eff 11/4/24

WHS Building Spotlight
Presentation – AW11
Leadership Retreat:

WHS Principal Josh Baumbach and teacher Mr. John Doyle along with some of the students who attended the AW11 Leadership Retreat at Little Pine Island on September 25th and 26th provided an overview of the experience to the group. 111 WHS students attended the Alpha Wolf 11 overnight leadership team retreat. The theme of this year's retreat was "Good Vibes – WYO Culture" where students were inspired to become better leaders and to understand the importance of valuing one another's cultural backgrounds. The group planned several events which will take place throughout the 2024-2025 school year to celebrate the amazing cultural diversity at WHS. The group also spent time outdoors with their peers working on team-building activities that required problem solving and critical thinking skills.

Wyoming Public Schools
Community Partners:

Superintendent Hoekstra provided an update on the current list of community partners who are actively engaged within the district. These partners play a critical role in supporting our students and families by providing a range of services and resources, including academic assistance, mental health support, career readiness programs, and family outreach services. Other essential services provided by our partners include dental, vision, medical, and counseling services, as well as food assistance, transportation assistance, and winter clothing support. Superintendent Hoekstra emphasized the value of these partnerships in enhancing student well-being and success. The district remains committed to fostering and expanding these relationships to better serve our community.

Finance Reports – Sept. 2024:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the September 2024 check register and budget to actual report.

Insulin Litigation:
Action Item – Approved

The Board approved documents associated with participating in an insulin litigation lawsuit. Research has shown that some insulin prices have increased by more than 1,000% over the past 20 years. Health insurance companies passed on the cost of those increased to employers through higher premiums. The insulin litigation seeks monetary compensation for past damages incurred by entities related to the artificial insulin price inflation, as well as injunctive relief to stop that inflation and additional damages to deter future similar behavior.

WJHS Change Orders:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved documentation replenishing the WJH construction project contingency fund by adding \$750,000.

WHS Scholar Trip Request –
Key Club:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the student travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for Key Club students to travel to and from Eisenhower High School in Shelby Township, Michigan on November 16, 2024, to attend the Key Club Fall Rally. The Fall Rally is one of the Michigan District of Key Club’s state-wide events where Key Clubbers from all over the state gather to train, make new friends, complete service projects, and grow as leaders.

WHS Scholar Trip Request –
Basketball:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the student travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for varsity boys basketball student athletes to travel to and from the Crisler Arena at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor on November 15, 2024, to attend the University of Michigan’s men’s basketball game. This trip aims to provide players with a unique opportunity to observe a high-level collegiate game, gain insight into advanced strategies and teamwork, and experience the collegiate athletic environment. The trip will also foster team bonding and inspire our student-athletes as they continue their season.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Session

Thursday, November 7, 2024 – 4:30 PM

Thursday, December 5, 2024 – 4:30 PM

Board Meetings:

Monday, November 11, 2024 – 6 PM

Monday, December 9, 2024 – 6 PM

Other:

No School Scholars - Professional Development - November 1, 2024

Election Day - November 5, 2024

Feeding America Food Pantry – Nov. 25, 2004 - 4:30 PM - WHS

Thanksgiving Break - November 27-29, 2024

Holiday Treasures Craft Show–Nov. 30, 2024– 9 AM–3 PM - WHS

Alpha Wolf 11 Celebration – December 13, 2024 – 12:30 PM - WHS

Wyoming Kentwood Holiday Parade - December 14, 2024 - 10 AM

Feeding America Food Pantry – Dec. 16, 2024 - 4:30 PM - WHS

Scholar ½ Day (AM Only) - December 19 and 20, 2024