



WPS BOARD BRIEFS
Regular Board Meeting
October 13, 2025 ~ 6:00 PM

Robotics Team Presentation:

The Wyoming Junior High and Wyoming High School robotics teams attended the Board meeting. The group provided a demonstration of their robot's capabilities and shared information about their recent summer camps, mentorship programs, and the upcoming robotics season. Last year, the Wyoming High School team achieved significant success by advancing to the national competition. Both groups continue to grow and represent the district with pride, sportsmanship, and excellence.

09/22/25 Board Minutes:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular session WPS Board of Education meeting held at 6:00 PM on Monday, September 22, 2025.

Personnel Transactions:
Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Miguel Soriano, WHS Custodian, Eff 9/29/25

Toni Fox, FDSV Dist Float, Eff 9/29/25

Position Changes:

Dorian Wood, FDSV at WJH, Eff 10/3/25

Tyler Toscano, Bus Driver/Custodian, Eff 9/29/25

Leave of Absence:

OP Teacher, FMLA, Eff 1/23/26-TBD

Glad Para, FMLA Intermittent, Eff 10/6/25- 5/30/26

West Teacher, LOA, Eff 11/17/25-Fall 2026

WJH Teacher, FMLA, Eff 11/24/25-12/8/25

WHS Teacher, FMLA, Intermittent, Eff 8/25/25-8/24/26

WHS Teacher, FMLA, Intermittent, Eff 9/19/25-9/18/26

Secondary Learning Academy
Building Spotlight:

On Thursday, October 9th, the Board held its committee meeting at the Wyoming Secondary Learning Academy, where members had the opportunity to observe firsthand several of the hands-on learning activities taking place in the "PIT." To commemorate the visit, each Board member received a sweatshirt designed and printed by SLA students, highlighting the creativity and skill being developed through the program.

First Quarter of the 2025-2026
School Year:

Superintendent Hoekstra noted that the end of the first semester of the 2025–2026 school year will be Friday, October 17, 2025. He expressed his gratitude to the Board of Education, staff, scholars, parents, and the greater community for contributing to a successful first semester. Superintendent Hoekstra emphasized that their hard work and dedication are both noticed and deeply appreciated.

Election:	The Board received an update on November 4 th ballot proposal marketing efforts. The district is focused on creating awareness of the November 4th election and the three proposals that, if approved, will impact Wyoming Public Schools. The district has been actively reminding the community of the upcoming election through a variety of channels including signage and informational flyers displayed and distributed during parent-teacher conferences, social media posts, School News Network articles, building marquee reminders, and including information in all staff and family newsletters. In addition, the district is in the final stages of completing a series of informational videos to further engage and inform the community. All of these efforts have been put into place to help ensure families and community members are informed and engaged in advance of the upcoming election.
State Budget Update:	Jamie Carnes, Associate Superintendent, provided the Board with an update on the recently passed state budget.
Fundraiser Process Update:	Jamie Carnes, Associate Superintendent, provided the Board with an update on the WPS fundraiser process.
Extracurricular Clubs: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved the list of extracurricular clubs submitted by WPS staff members.
Radio System License: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved a quote in the amount of \$37,934.80 from T&W Electronics, Inc. for the purchase of a radio system software license.
Chromebook Purchase: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved the CDW-G quote in the amount of \$36,052.50 for the purchase of one hundred fifty (150) Lenovo Chromebooks with the Google Chrome Education upgrade. These devices will be used for classroom replacements and to stock two (2) additional Chromebook carts at Wyoming Junior High School.
WHS Scholar Trip Request – Breslin Center: Action Item – Approved	The Board reviewed and approved the Wyoming High School scholar trip request for WHS students to travel to and from the Breslin Center on October 17, 2025, for the Michigan State vs Nebraska volleyball game. The trip is intended to provide student-athletes with a valuable opportunity for team bonding while experiencing high-level collegiate volleyball firsthand.
2025 Fall District Continuous Improvement:	Building principals and School Improvement Chairs participated in the fall District Continuous Improvement this past Monday. Each building presented their 2025-2026 professional development plan, as well as the work each building will be engaged in related to teacher clarity, our district focus area.

Core Knowledge Language Arts
(CKLA) 3rd Edition:

Our kindergarten through 5th grade teachers have been implementing Amplify CKLA 2nd Edition since the fall of 2024. Since implementing the 2nd edition, Amplify released the 3rd Edition. Dr. Slanger is in the process of examining the enhancements in the 3rd Edition to determine if Wyoming will move from the 2nd Edition to the 3rd Edition. The enhancements include streamlined pacing of the units across all grade levels, more robust integrated writing instruction based on The Writing Revolution, and two “choice” units at each grade level.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Session

Thursday, October 23, 2025 – 4:30 PM

Thursday, November 6, 2025 – 4:30 PM

Board Meetings:

Monday, October 27, 2025 – 6 PM

Monday, November 10, 2025 – 6 PM

Other:

1/2 Day AM Only Students – October 16 & 17, 2025

Fall Band Concert – October 20, 2025 – 7 PM

Staff PD / No School For Students – October 31, 2025

WPS Trick Or Treat – November 1, 2025 – 12 PM – 3 PM

Election Day – November 4, 2025