

March 18, 2024

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of Wabash City Schools was held on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at Wabash Middle School Cafeteria, 150 Colerain St., Wabash, Indiana.

I. Organization of Meeting

- A. Present were: Rhonda Hipskind, Kristen Petruniw, and Jason Fry. Also present were Superintendent Amy Sivley and Counsel Jordan Tandy. Chief Operations Officer Matt Stone, Rod Kelsheimer and Jade Hall were absent.
- B. School Board President Rhonda Hipskind called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- C. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
- D. *Wabash City Schools Mission Wabash City Schools provides a relevant and rigorous education, founded upon relationships, to ensure each student is college and career-ready for success in a global community.*
- E. Board President Rhonda Hipskind welcomed everybody.
- F. There were no recognitions.
- G. Revisions
 - 1. Approved revisions IV. I - K to the board agenda
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- H. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Minutes of March 4, 2024
 - 2. Claims
 - 3. Donations
 - a) \$92.00 from Southside Freewill Baptist Church to kids in need of lunch money.
 - 4. Financials
 - a) Revenue and Expense Update
Hall/Petruniw - motion passed unanimously
- I. The next regular scheduled board meeting will be Monday, April 15, 2024 at OJ Neighbours Elementary School, 1545 N Wabash St, Wabash, Indiana at 6:00 pm.

II. Communications

- A. WHS, Mr. Blossom, [Facebook](#); [Twitter](#); [Twitter \(@WHS_Assist Prin\)](#)
- B. WMS, Mr. Mattern, [Facebook](#); [Twitter](#)
- C. OJN, Ms. Phillipy, [Facebook page](#); [Twitter](#)
- D. LHC, Mrs. Wilson, [Facebook](#); [Twitter](#)

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

- A. Kathy Swan Awards were presented to: Adelyn Edwards (5th grade) by Lea Howard, Riley Eckelbarger (6th grade) by Katelin Lloyd, Layla Garner (7th grade) by Joey Till, and Will Estes (8th grade) by Ben Backer.
- B. WMS Student Council Update was given by Alexis Indrutz, Martha Stellar, Jabin Miles, and Scarlet Brookshire.
- C. Approved recommendation to change the Staff PD Day on 4/8/24 to an eLearning Day.
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- D. Approved recommendation to move forward with a demographic study to be completed by Dr. Susan Brudvig. The cost for this study is \$3,500 which will be paid for from ESSER funds.
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- E. Approved moving to four 10-hour days (Monday - Thursday) for employees that work in the summer. This will begin the week of June 10, 2024 and continue for six weeks. Employees will return to five 8-hour days the week of July 22, 2024.
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- F. Approved LHC and OJN joining the Indiana Literacy Cadre which is a two-year commitment. By joining, WCS will post for and hire a Literacy Coach that will work with K - 3rd grade teachers to strengthen literacy instruction. The Literacy Cadre will pay $\frac{2}{3}$ of the coach's salary in the first year and $\frac{1}{3}$ of the coach's salary in the second year. PD for the coach, teachers, and administrators is provided by the Literacy Cadre during the two years.
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- G. Approved the following as Title I teachers at OJ Neighbours effective for the 2024-2025 school year:
 - 1. Alicia Draper
 - 2. Karyl KirkPetruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- H. Accepted resignation of Jeff Galley as Assistant Principal at Wabash High School effective at the end of the 2023-2024 contract year and approved reassignment as a Master degree classroom teacher at a salary of \$58,618 beginning the 2024-2025 school year.
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- I. Approved Carol Enyeart as the Title I teacher at LH Carpenter effective for the 2024-2025 school year. Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously

- J. Approved Jed Phillips as WHS Baseball Volunteer for the 2023-2024 school year.
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- K. Approved field trip for WHS Boys Cross Country Team to Tabernash, Colorado June 8 - 23, 2024. Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- V. Superintendent Dr. Amy Sivley started by congratulating our Kathy Swan Award winners for the middle school. She noted that parents and guardians should be very proud of these hardworking students. She also congratulated the boys basketball program on an amazing year. Saturday the team fell a little short in the first semi-state game, but the guys played an awesome game and left everything on the court. Dr. Sivley also congratulated our middle school eSports team of Maddox Mindach, Reed Wiles, and Jack Payton. They beat the #1 ranked team to advance to the Final 4 in the Indiana Middle School eSports Network State Tournament. Finally, Dr. Sivley reminded everyone that spring break is just around the corner. WCS does not have school on Friday, March 29th and break runs the entire next week. Monday, April 8th will be an eLearning Day and WCS will be back in person on Tuesday, April 9th.
- VI. There were no items from Chief Operations Officer, Matt Stone.
- VII. Josh Blossom gave an update on WHS.
- VIII. There were no items from visitors.
- IX. The board congratulated the Kathy Swan Award winners and the middle school Esports team. They also thanked the student council members for the update.
- X. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.
Petruniw/Fry - motion passed unanimously

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