

September 18, 2023

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of Wabash City Schools was held on Monday, September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Wabash City Hall, 202 S Wabash St., Wabash, Indiana.

I. Organization of Meeting

- A. Present were: Rod Kelsheimer, Rhonda Hipskind, Stephen Dafoe, Jason Fry, and Kristen Petruniw. Also present were Superintendent Amy Sivley, Chief Business Officer Matt Stone and Counsel Jordan Tandy.
- B. School Board President Rod Kelsheimer 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 Rod Kelsheimer welcomed everybody.
- F. There were no recognitions
- G. Revisions
 - 1. Approved revisions IV. E. 3 and IV. H 1.f to the board agenda Fry/Hipskind - motion passed unanimously
- H. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Minutes of September 5, 2023
 - 2. Claims
 - 3. Donations
 - 4. Financials
 - a) Revenue and Expense Update Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- I. The next regular scheduled board meeting will be Monday, October 2, 2023 at Wabash City Hall, 202 S 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. Dr. Sivley presented 2023 IREAD 3 data.
- B. Dr. Sivley presented the WCS 2024 Annual Budget.

- C. The following hearings were held:
1. 2024 Bus Replacement Plan
Hearing was opened - Dafoe/Petruniw - motion passed unanimously
Hearing was closed - Hipkind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
 2. 2024 Capital Projects Plan
Hearing was opened - Hipkind/Petruniw - motion passed unanimously
Hearing was closed - Dafoe/Petruniw - motion passed unanimously
- D. Approved recommendation to declare Bus #6 and Bus #23 as surplus and place them for sale.
Hipkind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- E. Approved the following changes to the Transportation Handbook:
1. Remove the last bullet point on page 10 regarding Job Expectations and Responsibilities stating that bus drivers were responsible for securing sub drivers when needed.
 2. Change wording on page 11 under Substitute Bus Operators to read The Transportation Department will secure sub drivers when needed.
 3. Remove the 13th bullet point on page 10 regarding Job Expectations and Responsibilities, which states "Take bus for regular maintenance work including oil changes and brake & king pin inspections. Diesel buses are to be serviced at 6,000-10,000 miles or 1 year whichever comes first. Gasoline buses are to be serviced at 3,000-5,000 miles or 1 year, whichever comes first.
Hipkind/Petruniw - motion passed unanimously
- F. Approved the following transfers for certified staff:
1. Matt Zickafoose as WHS Business teacher to WMS/WHS PE teacher effective October 9, 2023. Hipkind/Dafoe - motion passed unanimously
- G. Approved the following resignations from classified staff:
1. Tiffany Wagner as cafeteria employee effective September 7, 2023.
 2. Kaylee Wagner as cafeteria employee effective September 7, 2023.
Dafoe/Hipkind - motion passed unanimously
- H. Approved the following pay increases for bus drivers retroactive to the first day of school:
1. Increase pay for the following drivers based on time driven:
 - a) Christina Sellers increase of \$4.99 per day
 - b) Kurt Brackenhamer increase of \$34.37 per day
 - c) Alan Tribbett increase of \$19.87 per day
 - d) Samantha Shilder increase of \$24.38 per day
 - e) Sandy Weidner increase of \$9.22 per day
 - f) Adrienne Pelphrey increase of \$9.22 per day

2. Pay differential for driving a special education bus of \$25 per day for the following drivers:

- a) Angie Kline
- b) Jessica Wilkinson
- c) Shelly Ford

Hipskind/Petruniw - motion passed unanimously

- I. Approved hiring the following classified staff:

1. Lisa Barnes as part time cafeteria employee at OJN effective September 19, 2023, pending background check.
2. Erin Bowman as part time cafeteria employee at WMS effective September 19, 2023, pending background check.
3. Kathryn Pionke as part-time cafeteria employee at WMS effective September 25, 2023.

Hipskind/Petruniw - motion passed unanimously

- V. Superintendent Dr. Amy Sivley congratulated the Senior class on winning the homecoming spirit week! She reported that we had a great turnout for the parade and the football game. Dr. Sivley also congratulated our Girls Golf team on placing 3rd at sectionals which will move them on to regionals this week at Noble Hawk. Good luck! Finally, Dr. Sivley gave a huge shout out to Jeff Galley. He is the chairman for the Hall of Distinction. This event was held on Saturday afternoon and it was spectacular! Dr. Sivley enjoyed learning about the lives and accomplishments of our five inductees. Great job, Mr. Galley!
- VI. Chief Business Officer, Matt Stone thanked Jeff Galley for his work on HOD and congratulated the inductees.
- VII. Beth Phillipy gave an update on OJN.
- VIII. There were no items from visitors.
- IX. Kristen Petruniw said it was great to see the IREAD data and congratulated the OJ staff. Stephen Dafoe reported that the OJ float and band were awesome in the parade and he congratulated Girls Golf and the HOD inductees. Rhonda Hipskind gave a library board update - the library building is coming along nicely. Jason Fry reported that the cheerleaders and soccer team have been great with the Spanish exchange students. Rod Kelsheimer noted that the exchange students head home on Friday and he thanked the families that have hosted. He reported that we have 2 more groups coming - one from New Zealand and one from Argentina.

- X. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.
Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously

President

Vice President

Secretary

Board Member

Board Member

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On Monday, September 18, 2023 the Board of School Trustees, Wabash City Schools met in executive session at Wabash City Hall, 202 S Wabash St, Wabash, Indiana. The meeting began at 6:47 p.m. and ended at 6:49 p.m.

Present were: Rod Kelsheimer, Rhonda Hipskind, Stephen Dafoe, Jason Fry, and Kristen Petruniw. Also present were Superintendent Amy Sivley, Chief Business Officer Matt Stone, and Counsel Jordan Tandy.

Topics discussed:

- I. Ind. Code 5-14-1.5-6.1(7) For discussion of confidential records.

It is certified that only those topics listed were discussed in the executive session.

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