

February 3, 2025

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of Wabash City Schools was held on Monday February 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Wabash City Hall, 202 S Wabash St., Wabash, Indiana.

I. Organization of Meeting

- A. Present were: Rhonda Hipskind and Kristen Petruniw. Also present were Superintendent Amy Sivley, Chief Operations Officer Matt Stone and Counsel Jordan Tandy, Jade Hall, and Jason Fry, and Joan Foster.
- 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. Welcomed and recognized current DLI teachers.
- G. Revisions
 - 1. Approved Revision III. I-M
Petruniw/Hall-passed unanimously
- H. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Minutes of January 28, 2025
 - 2. Claims
 - 3. Donations
 - 4. Financials
Petruniw/Fry-passed unanimously
- I. The next regular scheduled board meeting will be February 17, 2025 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. School/Program Spotlight-Board learned about OJ Leaders and what they are working on this year.
- B. WHS Student Council gave their update.
- C. Board approved the distribution of the Early Literacy Achievements Grant funds (\$5,976.18) to teachers and support staff responsible for the implementation and delivery of literacy instruction through Grade 3 during the 2023-2024 school year.
Hall/Petruniw-passed unanimously-Fry abstained
- D. Board approved the transfer of Alexandria Stahl from WMS/WHS Permanent Sub to WMS paraprofessional.
Petruniw/Hall-passed unanimously
- E. Board approved the following spring coaches for 2024-2025.

Head Baseball	-Jack Holley
Asst. Baseball	-Kyle Kelsheimer
Reserve Baseball	-Andy Castro
Baseball Volunteers	-Kent Montgomery, Jordan Holley, Jed Phillips, Kallen Kelsheimer & Father Jay Horning
Baseball Facility Maintenance	-Jack Holley
Asst. Boys Track	-Randy LePage
Head Girls Track	-Mike Denney
Asst. Girls Track	-Katelin Lloyd
Track Volunteers	-Clint Kugler & Darrell Cantrell
Head Girls Tennis	-Katie Cromer
Girls Tennis Volunteer	-Shelby Stone
Boys Golf Volunteer	-Ryan Carmichael
Head Softball	-Bob Stambazzee
Asst. Softball	-Bailey Winget
Softball Volunteers	-Matt Jasen
MS Golf	-James Burns & Abby Smalley
MS Track(Head Coach)	-Lea Howard
Asst. MS Track (3)	- Rachel Hovermale & Adam Hall

MS Baseball (Head Coach)	-Chandler Jones
MS Baseball (Asst.)	-Chayden Beeks & Jared Brooks
MS Baseball Volunteer	-Josh Long
MS Softball (Asst)	-Matt Zickafoose & Ashlyn Cruz
MS Soccer (Head Coach)	-Mark Frantz
MS Soccer (Asst.)	-Matt Mindach
Elem Volleyball	-Katie Cromer, Stacie Parrett & Eva Morris
Fry/Petruniw-passed unanimously-Jade Abstained	

- F. Board approved Trystin Music's resignation from 8th Grade Teacher's aide at WMS effective February 28,2025.
Petruniw/Fry-passed unanimously
- G. Board approved a dual credit stipend of \$1250 for Natasha Whitney to teach a dual credit IVYT 106: Student Success. (This stipend is in the budget and was paid to Cierra Treska, the teacher Mrs. Whitney replaced. IVYT 106 is a required course for all students who will earn an Associate's Degree.)
Hall/Petruniw-passed unanimously
- H. Board approved Wabash High School sending twenty high school Japanese language students to its partner school, Yamate Gakuin HS, for a bilateral exchange,from July 18,2025- August 2, 2025. This trip is an incredible opportunity for the students to live with a Japanese family, visit the sights, and experience Japanese culture for two weeks. The trip is fully paid for by students personal funds, fundraising, and generous support from the City of Wabash. As well, this years trip will be chaperoned by Mrs. Kim Hodson and her husband, Tod Hodson.
Hall/Fry-passed unanimously
- I. Board approved the date change for the Montessori School to use a WCS bus, the field trip was originally scheduled for February 7,2025 now to February 28,2025.
Petruniw/Hall-passed unanimously
- J. Board approved the resignation of Lisa Barnes, effective February 13th,2025.
Fry/Hall-passed unanimously

K. Board approved Yuraima Rodriguez's permanent residency. She has been teaching with Wabash City Schools since 2020. This past year, the school district supported her with an H-1B employment application. At this time, Dr. Rodriguez is asking the district to extend support for her permanent residency. Completion of this process is a minimum of three years with a total financial commitment of nearly \$6,200. As needed, these fees will likely be paid by the Dual Language Immersion grant.
Fry/Petruniw-passed unanimously

L. Board approved hiring Kaitlyn Snell as a 3 year old paraprofessional at a rate of \$12.00/hour, pending background check.
Petruniw/Fry-passed unanimously

M. Board approved the 2025-2026 Preschool tuition fees.
Petruniw/Fry-passed unanimously

V. Superintendent Dr. Amy Sivley wants to wish everyone good luck on all winter sports.

VI. Items from Chief Operations Officer

VII. Items from Administrators

VIII. No items from visitors.

IX. Other Items from board members: Joan wants to thank the OJ students! The high school for coming. Congratulations to Solo. National Counselor Week! Thanks to all the OJ Leaders & DLI Program, and Student Council.

X. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

President

Vice President

Secretary

Board Member

Board Member