

June 19, 2023

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of Wabash City Schools was held on Monday, June 19, 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 Hipkind, and Jason Fry. Also present were Superintendent Amy Sivley, Chief Business Officer Matt Stone and Counsel Jordan Tandy. Stephen Dafoe and Kristen Petruniw were absent.
- 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. G 6 & 7 and IV. L - O to the board agenda
Hipkind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- H. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Minutes of June 5, 2023
 - 2. Claims
 - 3. Donations
 - 4. FinancialsHipkind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- I. The next regular scheduled board meeting will be Monday, July 17, 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. Approved the WCS Return to Learn plan for the 2023-2024 school year.
Hipkind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- B. Approved bid for trash removal as approved by the NIESC board.
Hipkind/Fry - motion passed unanimously

- C. Approved the following changes to the Support Personnel Handbook effective July 1, 2023:
1. Remove Transportation Director position
 2. Add (2) Transportation Assistant positions at \$7000 each
- Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- D. Approved the following as Transportation Assistants:
1. Melisa Callahan
 2. Kindi Kugler
- Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- E. Approved recommendation to eliminate the following positions for the 2023-2024 school year:
1. Behavioral Interventionist at OJN
 2. Part-time Lunch Aide at OJN
- Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- F. Approved recommendation to cancel the following teacher contracts:
1. Jef Maslan (7th grade SS)
 2. Tisha Lynn (5th grade)
- Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- G. Approved the following transfers for the 2023-2024 school year:
1. Kristen Mattern at OJN from PLTW to 3rd Grade
 2. Erica Farmer at OJN from 4th Grade DLI to PLTW
 3. Wendy Hix at OJN from 1st Grade to 4th Grade DLI
 4. Jenny Baker from Art teacher at OJN to 5th Grade DLI - English and 6th Grade Civics at WMS
 5. Abbey Arwood at LHC from Preschool teacher to KG teacher
 6. Zach Wenrich from WMS 8th grade Social Studies to WMS 7th grade Social Studies
 7. Erin Sapusek from WHS English to WMS 8th grade Social Studies
- Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- H. Approved hiring the following certified staff:
1. Lynn Keffaber as Art teacher at OJN at a salary of \$55,229 beginning the 2023-2023 school year.
- Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- I. Approved the following handbooks for the 2023-2024 school year:
1. LHC
 2. OJN
 3. WMS
 4. WHS
- Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously with the exception of the WHS field trip policy. Mr. Galley will revise it and bring it back to the board for approval

- J. Approved 2 year contract for Sarah Delgadillo as Director of Global Citizenship.
Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- K. Approved FMLA leave request for employee #6896 from August 4 - October 23, 2023.
Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- L. Approved Samantha Summers to work the 2023 Summer Food Service Program at her hourly rate. Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- M. Accepted resignation of Jessica Fishback as WMS Guidance Secretary effective July 1, 2023.
Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- N. Board heard first reading of the following policies:
 - 1. Investment Policy
 - 2. Rainy Day Fund PolicyHipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- O. Approved recommendation to keep lunch prices the same for the 2023-2024 school year: \$2.80 for elementary, \$2.90 for WMS/WHS, \$4.60 for staff lunches, \$0.50 for extra milk, and free breakfast. Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously
- V. Superintendent Dr. Amy Sivley noted that we had hoped to be bringing a revised calendar to the Board meeting tonight that included Staff PD Days. However, the IDOE only took 22 of the 55 1003 Flexibility Waivers to the June State Board of Education meeting. We have been told that our waiver will now be on the July Board Meeting which is scheduled for July 12. This will allow us to bring the revised calendar to our July 17th Board meeting. This is only about 3 weeks prior to the start of the school year, but unfortunately we are at the DOE's mercy. Dr. Sivley reminded families that our Fall Break, Christmas Break, and Spring Break dates will not change. Dr. Sivley reported that we started our four 10-hour day work weeks two weeks ago. All buildings are closed on Fridays. We will review cost savings from doing this over the next two months. Dr. Sivley noted that from a morale standpoint, she thinks the year-round employees are enjoying the three-day weekends.
- VI. Chief Business Officer, Matt Stone reported that our Lighting Project has resulted in a rebate of \$39K
- VII. There were no items from administrators.
- VIII. There were no items from visitors.
- IX. Rod Kelsheimer congratulated the 150th graduating class and wished them all the best!

- X. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.
Hipskind/Fry - motion passed unanimously

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Vice President

Secretary

Board Member

Board Member