



# WABASH AND OHIO VALLEY SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT

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The Executive Board of the Wabash and Ohio Valley Special Education District (WOVSED) of Edwards, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Pope, Saline, Wabash, Wayne, and White Counties, Illinois, met on February 25, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., in regular session at WOVSED Central Office in Norris City, IL. All members had been previously notified of the time and place of the meeting.

WOVSED Executive Board Chairman, Shain Crank, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Upon roll call the following members were found to be present: Chuck Bleyer, Wabash CUSD #348; David Cowger, Edwards Co. CUSD #1; Shain Crank, Galatia CUSD #1; Andy Edmondson, Hardin Co. CUSD #1; Ryan Fritch, Pope Co. CUSD #1; Kristina Gardner, Fairfield PSD #112; Travis McCollum, Hamilton Co. CUSD #10; and ex-officio member Beth Rister, ROE #20.

The board members absent from the meeting were Judy Kaegi, Gallatin Co. CUSD #7 and Jarrod Newell, Carmi-White Co. CUSD #5.

Motion made by Fritch, seconded by Edmondson that the Consent Agenda items be approved by the board as follows:

- a. Approval of Board Minutes (1/27/25)
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills
- c. Approval of Financial Report
- d. Resignations
  - i. Cassidy Brown
  - ii. Stephanie Brasher
- e. Retirement of employees covered under the CBA
  - i. Kathy Hatton effective at the end of SY 2025-2026
  - ii. LeeAnn Hering effective at the end of SY 2026-2027
- f. Destruction of Executive Session Audio Tapes older than 18 months per provision of Section 2.06© of the Open Meetings Act.

Roll call indicated: Bleyer-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; McCollum-aye. Motion carried.

There were no items under Public Comments.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion made by McCollum, seconded by Fritch to enter into closed session at 9:31 a.m Executive Session to: (1) consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony lodged against an employee; and (2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives. Voice Vote indicated; All Ayes; Motion carried.

Motion made by McCollum, seconded by Fritch to return to open session at 9:45 a.m. Voice Vote indicated; All Ayes; Motion carried.

Motion made by Bleyer, seconded by Edmondson for approval of Memorandum of Agreement regarding the 13th payment to Egyptian Trust. Roll call indicated: Bleyer-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; McCollum-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCollum, seconded by Fritch to hire Sabrina Cox as Annex Principal for the 2025-2026 school year. Roll call indicated: Bleyer-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; McCollum-aye. Motion carried.

Under Agenda Item “Director’s Report,” Director Monica Girten discussed the following:

- a. Tuition Numbers
- b. Paper Order

Motion to adjourn made by Cowger at 9:48 a.m., seconded by Fritch. Voice Vote indicated: all ayes; motion carried.

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Chairman

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Secretary

Minutes from: February 25, 2025

Approval Date: March 25, 2025