



# WABASH AND OHIO VALLEY SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT

Monica Girtten, Director

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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 March 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 9:31 a.m. Upon roll call the following members were found to be present: Bob Bowser, Allendale CCSD #17 (proxy for 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 Jarrod Newell, Carmi-White Co. CUSD #5.

The board members absent from the meeting were Judy Kaegi, Gallatin Co. CUSD #7 and ex-officio member Beth Rister, ROE #20.

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

- a. Approval of Board Minutes (2/25/25)
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills
- c. Approval of Financial Report
- d. Resignations
  - i. None
- e. Approval of retirement enhancement for excluded employee
  - i. Michele Lankford effective June 30, 2026
- f. Approval of Treasurer Bonds
  - i. Chelsea Delap and Tiffany Bickett
- g. Destruction of Executive Session Audio Tapes older than 18 months per provision of Section 2.06© of the Open Meetings Act.

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

There were no items under Public Comments.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion made by Bowser, seconded by Edmondson to approve the excusal of any emergency days beyond five. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; McCollum-aye; Newell-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bowser, seconded by Edmondson to honorably dismiss Beth Gibbs at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; McCollum-aye; Newell-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bowser, seconded by Edmondson to honorably dismiss Bev Johnson at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; McCollum-aye; Newell-aye. Motion carried.

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

- a. Tuition Numbers
- b. Results of the WOVSED Needs Assessment

Motion to adjourn made by Newell at 9:36 a.m., seconded by McCollum. Voice Vote indicated: all ayes; motion carried.

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Chairman

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Secretary

Minutes from: March 25, 2025

Approval Date: April 29, 2025