



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 June 24, 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 Secretary, Jarrod Newell, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Upon roll call the following members were found to be present: David Cowger, Edwards Co. CUSD #1; Judy Kaegi, Gallatin Co. CUSD #7; Travis McCollum, Hamilton Co. CUSD #10; Jarrod Newell, Carmi-White Co. CUSD #5; and Bob Wells, Fairfield CHSD #225 (proxy for Kristina Gardner, Fairfield PSD #112).

The board members absent from the meeting were Chuck Bleyer, Wabash CUSD #348; Shain Crank, Galatia CUSD #1; Andy Edmondson, Hardin Co. CUSD #1; Ryan Fritch, Pope Co. CUSD #1; and ex-officio member Beth Rister, ROE #20.

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

- a. Approval of Board Minutes (5/27/25)
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills
- c. Approval of Financial Report
- d. Approval of Lease Renewal with OWVRVS for Office Lease
- e. Approval of Property/Casualty Insurance Renewal
 - i. Prairie State Insurance Company
- f. Approval of STEP Student Worker Accident Policy Renewal
 - i. Gallagher Special Risk
- g. Approval to publish notice and place on display the FY 2026 Tentative Budget
- h. Resignations
 - i. Whitney Tripp
- i. Destruction of Executive Session Audio Tapes older than 18 months per provision of Section 2.06© of the Open Meetings Act.

Roll call indicated: Cowger-aye; Kaegi-aye; McCollum-aye; Newell-aye; Wells-aye. Motion carried.

There were no items under Public Comments.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion made by McCollum, seconded by Wells to approve the letter of engagement with Kemper CPA Group for the FY25 audit. Roll call indicated: Cowger-aye; Kaegi-aye; McCollum-aye; Newell-aye; Wells-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Cowger, seconded by Kaegi to approve the Workers Compensation policy provided through JENCAP Insurance Services. Roll call indicated: Cowger-aye; Kaegi-aye; McCollum-aye; Newell-aye; Wells-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCollum, seconded by Wells to hire Megan Harrison as a BCBA. Roll call indicated: Cowger-aye; Kaegi-aye; McCollum-aye; Newell-aye; Wells-aye. Motion carried.

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

- a. Tuition Numbers
- b. Executive Board Members/Officers

Motion to adjourn made by Kaegi at 9:41 a.m., seconded by Cowger. Voice Vote indicated: all ayes; motion carried.

Chairman

Secretary

Minutes from: June 24, 2025

Approval Date: July 22, 2025