



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 May 27, 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; Ryan Fritch, Pope Co. CUSD #1; Travis McCollum, Hamilton Co. CUSD #10; and ex-officio member Beth Rister, ROE #20.

The board members absent from the meeting were Andy Edmondson, Hardin Co. CUSD #1; Kristina Gardner, Fairfield PSD #112; Judy Kaegi, Gallatin Co. CUSD #7; and Jarrod Newell, Carmi-White Co. CUSD #5.

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

- a. Approval of Board Minutes (4/29/25)
- b. Approval of Monthly
- c. Approval of Financial Report
- d. Resignations
 - i. None
- e. Destruction of Executive Session Audio Recordings older than 18 months per provision of Section 2.06© of the Open Meetings Act.

Roll call indicated: Bleyer-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Fritch-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 9:32 a.m to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony lodged against an employee. Voice Vote indicated: All ayes; Motion carried.

Motion made by McCollum, seconded by Crank to return to open session at 9:43 a.m. Voice Vote indicated: All ayes; Motion carried.

Motion made by Cowger, seconded by Crank to hire Amani Tucker as a School Psychologist for the 2025-2026 school year, pending licensure. Roll call indicated: Bleyer-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Fritch-aye; McCollum-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Fritch, seconded by McCollum to hire Chloe Schwahn as a School Psychologist Intern for the 2025-2026 school year. Roll call indicated: Bleyer-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Fritch-aye; McCollum-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by McCollum, seconded by Crank to give Director Monica Girtten flexibility to move forward with a MOU with the Egyptian Health Department for either a FRD or SASS Counselor. Roll call indicated: Bleyer-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Fritch-aye; McCollum-aye. Motion carried.

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

- a. Tuition Numbers

Motion to adjourn made by Fritch at 9:45 a.m., seconded by Cowger. Voice Vote indicated: all ayes; motion carried.

Chairman

Secretary

Minutes from: May 27, 2025

Approval Date: June 24, 2025