



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 November 19, 2024 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: Bob Bowser, Allendale CCSD #17 (proxy for Chuck Bleyer, Wabash CUSD #348); David Cowger, Edwards Co. CUSD #1; Shain Crank, Galatia CUSD #1; Ryan Fritch, Pope Co. CUSD #1; Kristina Gardner, Fairfield PSD #112; and Jarrod Newell, Carmi-White Co. CUSD #5.

The board members absent from the meeting were Andy Edmondson, Hardin Co. CUSD #1; Judy Kaegi, Gallatin Co. CUSD #7; Travis McCollum, Hamilton Co. CUSD #10 and ex-officio member Beth Rister, ROE #20.

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

- a. Approval of Board Minutes (10/22/24)
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills
- c. Approval of Financial Report
- d. Resignations
 - i. Bill Peyton
- e. Approval of Policy Updates
 - i. 2:105 Ethics and Gift Ban
 - ii. 2:265 Title IX Grievance Procedure
 - iii. 4:60 Purchases and Contracts
 - iv. 4:70 Resource Conservation
 - v. 5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
 - vi. 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
 - vii. 5:90 Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
 - viii. 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited
 - ix. 7:185 Teen Dating Violence Prohibited
- 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: Bowser-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; Newell-aye. Motion carried.

There were no items under Public Comments.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion made by Bowser, seconded by Newell 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 Newell, seconded by Crank to return to open session at 9:50 a.m. Voice Vote indicated; All Ayes; Motion carried.

Motion made by Cowger, seconded by Gardner for approval to offer an EXCEL grant up to \$7,500 for a Special Education Teacher. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Cowger-aye; Crank-aye; Fritch-aye; Gardner-aye; Newell-aye. Motion carried.

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

- a. Tuition Numbers
- b. Director’s Evaluation
- c. Program Updates

Motion to adjourn made by Fritch at 10:03 a.m., seconded by Bowser. Voice Vote indicated: all ayes; motion carried.

Chairman

Secretary

Minutes from: November 19, 2024

Approval Date: December 17, 2024