



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 26, 2026 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); Shain Crank, Galatia CUSD #1; Andy Edmondson, Hardin Co. CUSD #1; Kristina Gardner, Fairfield PSD #112; Judy Kaegi, Gallatin Co. CUSD #7; Matt Vollman, Norris City-Omaha-Enfield CUSD #3; and ex-officio member Beth Rister, ROE #20.

The board members absent from the meeting were David Cowger, Edwards Co. CUSD #1; Ryan Fritch, Pope Co. CUSD #1; and Travis McCollum, Hamilton Co. CUSD #10.

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

- a. Approval of Board Minutes (4/28/26)
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills
- c. Approval of Financial Report
- d. Resignations
 - i. Elizabeth Kotter
- e. 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; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Gardner-aye; Kaegi-aye; Vollman-aye. Motion carried.

There were no items under Public Comments.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion made by Bowser, seconded by Kaegi for approval of letter of engagement with Kemper for audit services. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Gardner-aye; Kaegi-aye; Vollman-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kaegi seconded by Vollman to hire Chloe Schwahn as a School Psychologist for the 2026-2027 school year, pending licensure. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Gardner-aye; Kaegi-aye; Vollman-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kaegi seconded by Vollman to hire Morgan Dulaney as a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant for the 2026-2027 school year, pending EHR and background check. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Gardner-aye; Kaegi-aye; Vollman-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kaegi seconded by Vollman to hire Ashley Garrett as a Youth Service Coordinator Assistant for the 2026-2027 school year. Roll call indicated: Bowser-aye; Crank-aye; Edmondson-aye; Gardner-aye; Kaegi-aye; Vollman-aye. Motion carried.

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

- a. Tuition Numbers
- b. Staffing updates for 2026-2027
- c. Revision of July Board Meeting Date
- d. Separate School Claims
 - i. Director Girten presented the differences between the current cooperative tuition billing and billing under the Separate School Claims process. Board agreed that the cooperative will continue with the current tuition billing process for the Annex.

Motion to adjourn made by Kaegi at 9:49 a.m., seconded by Edmondson. Voice Vote indicated: all ayes; motion carried.

Chairman

Secretary

Minutes from: May 26, 2026

Approval Date: June 23, 2026