

Minutes of REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Education Wausau School District

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Wausau School District was held Monday, August 10, 2026, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Nicholson Board Room, 415 Seymour Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403.

Present: Jim Bouche, Sarah Brock, Charles Burger, Nick Crochiere, Pat McKee, Cory Sillars, Lance Trollop (via Webex), and Yauo Yang.

Absent: Jon Creisher

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Ms. Gabriel read the roll call.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Jim Bouché, President

President Bouché led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

President Bouché read the mission statement.

V. PUBLIC AND STUDENT COMMENT

Ann Wicklund and Nate Bartz made brief comments.

VI. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA (**Action Requested**)

A. Appointments (Additional Staff, Replacement Staff, Contract Increases)

Johanna Tritz (Music Teacher/Franklin & South Mountain) 1.0 FTE, effective 8/24/26; Ashlyn Chandler (Art Teacher/Montessori Charter & Stettin) 1.0 FTE, effective 8/24/26; and Samantha Wimmer (School Social Worker/Franklin) 1.0 FTE, effective 8/24/26.

B. Separations (Resignations, Contract Decreases, Terminations)

Joshua Phillips (Special Education Teacher/West) 1.0 FTE, effective 6/8/26; and Kia Her (3rd Grade Teacher/Marshall) 1.0 FTE, effective 6/8/26.

C. Leaves of Absence

D. Retirements

E. Minutes: Regular Session of July 13, 2026; Special Session of August 3, 2026; and the Board Workshop of August 3, 2026.

F. Payment of Bills/Budget Status and Investment Report

G. Donations to the District

Cory Sillars moved to approve the consent agenda with great gratitude for donations to the District, seconded by Pat Mckee. The motion carried 8 - 0.

VII. OLD/RECURRING BUSINESS

A. Education/Operations Committee Meeting

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Education/Operations Committee Meeting

B. Updates for John Marshall, Rib Mountain, Franklin, and Lincoln

Nexus provided an updated on the recent construction at the elementary school sites.

C. Class Size Presentation

Members of the District Administration Team provided a presentation on District class sizes. The presentation followed with answering questions from the Board.

D. Act 89 Policies (**Action Requested**)

Jim Bouche moved to approve the proposed language changes to the Act 89 related policies as presented, seconded by Yauo Yang. The motion carried 8- 0.

IX. OPEN FORUM

A. Board Member Professional Growth & Development Report

There was none.

B. Legislative Liaison

Cory Sillars shared that the CESA 9 annual convention would be on September 3, 2026.

C. Superintendent Commentary

Mr. Bushman thanked the Rib Mountain families for their attendance. He also shared that the District would be welcoming back staff on August 24, 2026.

D. Presiding Officer Commentary

The Board Liaison Report for the month of August is as follows: Jim Bouche attended the Hmong Wausau Festival.

X. ADJOURN

Jim Bouche moved to adjourn, seconded by Yauo Yang. The motion carried at 6:39 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

CS:cp

Cory Sillars,
Board Clerk