



Winfield School District 34
Minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting

Thursday, March 27, 2025 7:00 PM

Winfield School Central Cafeteria, 0S150 Park St, Winfield, IL 60190

I. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Board of Education Members in attendance: Dave Hempe, Lynn Kammes, Dan Krasinski, Alisa Wolfe,

Absent: Heather Armstrong, Manuel Figueroa, Matt Tibble,

Also, Present: Matt Rich, Superintendent; Scott Meech, Principal; Dave Baum, Tech Support; Lisa Honaker, CSBO; Amanda Melsa, Board of Education Secretary

Staff: Brian Liesering, Cori Nelson, Kaitlin Freundt,

Visitor: Sue Hempe, Carrie Linden, Trier Linden, Jennifer Scarpace, Cyd Paulsen, Spurlock Family, Sabados Family, Ostrander Family, Campbell Family, Kirsten Djonne, Wheat Family, Fox Stockman,

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Action(s): I move to approve the agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**, Heather Armstrong: Absent, Manuel Figueroa: Absent, Matt Tibble: Absent

V. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bridget Trojan: Continuing the lawsuit is folly. Find a revenue sharing settlement with the Village. It's time to move on.

Nick: I went to your school when I was younger. Yet I still pay taxes decades later, drop the lawsuit and leave it alone. Prolonging the lawsuit only wastes taxpayer money even more.

Patti Weber: Please do not appeal the court's decision and continue with your lawsuit against the Village. It's time to work together and come to an agreement about revenue sharing. Continuing the fight is not good for the school community nor the community of Winfield. Thank you.

Jennifer Scarpace: Spoke about being a Winfield Township Candidate for Trustee

Cyd Paulsen: Spoke about being a Winfield Township Candidate for Trustee and working with the school and for you.

Kirsten Dijonne: Spoke about being a Winfield Township Candidate for Trustee

VI. PUBLIC PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION

A. Student Recognition - Trier Linden and Mason Wheat

B. Science Olympiad Recognition

C. Vision 2030

The Board reviewed the Vision 2030 initiative, which represents a statewide collaboration among education stakeholders to develop an advocacy framework for public education in Illinois. Key focus areas include: Future-Driven Skills, Student Safety and Well-Being, Educator Pipeline, Curriculum Flexibility.

D. TIF 2

Discussion:

- **Legal Challenges Against TIF 2**

- **Legal Proceedings Update:**

- o *We are still determining next steps and reviewing options and discussing potential directions.*

VII. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action(s): I move to approve the minutes as amended. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**, Heather Armstrong: Absent, Manuel Figueroa: Absent, Matt Tibble: Absent

VIII. **CONSENT AGENDA (Routine matters that do not require discussion)**

Action(s): I move to approve the Consent Agenda action items A1 and A2 (read every listed item) as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**, Heather Armstrong: Absent, Manuel Figueroa: Absent, Matt Tibble: Absent

A. **Approval of Finance Reports**

1. Bill List - Payable List and List of Other Payments
2. Treasurer/Fund Balance/Bank Reconciliation Report

B. **Other Approvals**

IX. **COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD**

A. **Superintendent's Report**

1. **Legislative Update**

This week in Springfield the House was in session and the Senate was out on break. Next week it flips. We are watching several bills related to unfunded mandates potentially these include required screeners for Dyslexia, we currently assess students 3 times per year in reading using fastbridge (K-3) and MAP (K-8), inclusive history, and Arab American history. We are also watching actions at the Federal level. Significant changes are occurring in every Federal agency. As such, we heard this week the President state that students with Disabilities services would be facilitated by the Department of Health and Human Services. Concurrently we heard that the Department of Health and Human Services has laid off 20,000 employees. Questions have arisen if the department can handle its current scope of operations, not to mention the additional requirements for IDEA and 504 services. As such, there are a lot of questions but few answers.

2. **Facility Updates**

We are working to schedule the measurement for the pads for the Primary gymnasium for this summer's work. Work on the video security system and bathroom detectors will begin April 28th and should be completed by early June. This work will occur after the school day into the evening.

3. **WEF Update**

[Registration is now open for the May 18th](#) Tiger Run. We are so excited for this terrific community event that raises funds for the Winfield Education Foundation, and in turn

our school district. This year's grants were on display last weekend as we experienced the new sound system for drama at the Fairy Tale Misfits production. The Winfield Education Foundation is in its final call for sponsors. WEF is working on finalizing logos for the shirt and flyer with a deadline of Monday, March 31st. Support of sponsorship is greatly appreciated.

B. **Principal's Report**

This month has been full with activities including Science Olympiad, Girls' Basketball, Volleyball, and the school play. Amid the grind, it's important to pause and take a breath—whether through a vacation or simply a moment of rest. A reminder that we work with students who lead incredibly busy lives, often more scheduled than our own childhoods, with commitments ranging from sports to religious classes and clubs. Let's embrace the time we have with them, while also remembering that our teachers are managing full lives and families of their own. Thank you to our PTO and WEF for their ongoing support—small gestures like chips and dip truly make a difference.

C. **Finance Report from Director of Business Services**

X. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Approve DuPage West-Cook Articles of Agreement Revision

Action(s): I move to approve the DuPage West Cook resolution and revised intergovernmental agreement as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,
Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

XI. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Personnel**

1. Approve FY 26 Program Plan

Action(s): I move to approve the 2025-26 program plan as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,
Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

2. Employ Cook - Carmen Moreno

Action(s): I move to employ Carmen Moreno as a cook at a rate of \$18 per hour as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,
Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

3. Employ Long Term Substitute 1st Grade - Sue Hempe

Action(s): I move to approve the employment of Sue Hempe as a long term substitute teacher at a rate of \$263.42 as presented. (A roll call vote was taken). This motion, made by Alisa Wolfe and seconded by Lynn Kammes, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: Abstain, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,

Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

4. Approve Resignation of Administrative Assistant Special Education/State Reporting
Action(s): I move to approve the resignation of Amy Watson as of the end of work on April 9, 2025. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.
Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,
Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

- B. Approve Final 2024-25 School District Calendar
Action(s): I move to approve the Final 2024-25 School Calendar as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.
Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,
Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

- C. Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Winfield Township to support at-risk families.
Action(s): I move to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Winfield Township as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.
Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,
Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

- D. Approve Sunrise Transportation Contract
Action(s): I move to approve the 3 year agreement with Sunrise Transportation to provide special needs transportation for students with 4% annual increases. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.
Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**,
Heather Armstrong: Absent,
Manuel Figueroa: Absent,
Matt Tibble: Absent

- E. **Board Procedures and Exhibit Updates**
For information only, no Board approval needed.

- F. **Freedom of Information Act Requests**
1. Michael Rost - Allium Data
 2. Sheri Reid - SmartProcure
 3. Unknown - FOIA Request #1
 4. Unknown - FOIA Request #2
 5. Tracy Conti - Village of Sugar Grove
 6. Unknown - FOIA Request #3
 7. Unknown - FOIA Request #4
 8. Unknown - FOIA Request #5
 9. Unknown - FOIA Request #6

XII. **Items for Future Agendas**

- Understanding FOIA

XIII. **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – Reason 1. The appointment, employment,**

compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with [the Open Meetings Act]. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). **Reason 12.** Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

Action(s): I move to adjourn to closed session. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Lynn Kammes and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**, Heather Armstrong: Absent, Manuel Figueroa: Absent, Matt Tibble: Absent

XIV. **ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION TO REGULAR SESSION**

Action(s): I move to adjourn from closed session to open session. A voice vote was taken at 9:50 pm. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**, Heather Armstrong: Absent, Manuel Figueroa: Absent, Matt Tibble: Absent

XV. **ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION**

A. None

XVI. **ADJOURNMENT**

Action(s): I move that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned. A voice vote was taken at 9:51 pm. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Alisa Wolfe, **Passed**.

Voting Detail: Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**, Heather Armstrong: Absent, Manuel Figueroa: Absent, Matt Tibble: Absent

Regular Board of Education Meetings:

***Unless otherwise noted, all Board of Education Meetings are on Thursdays and begin at 7:00 PM. They are located in the Winfield Central School Cafeteria.**

Regular Thursday, March 27, 2025

Approved:

Dan Krasinski, President
Board of Education

Lynn Kammes, Secretary
Board of Education