

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Woodridge School District 68 Board of Education, DuPage County, Illinois was held Monday, January 12, 2026 at the District Administrative Center, 7925 Janes Avenue, Woodridge, Illinois 60517 at 7:30 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

The Board President called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Mr. Madden, Mrs. Barber, Mr. Lathrop, Mrs. Hebreard, Dr. Molina de Mesa, Mr. Vanorny

Absent: Mr. Christ

Also Present: Dr. Broncato, Mr. Wolcott, Dr. Schmidt, Mr. Saindon,

Recording Secretary: Joined open session, Mrs. Superits

CLOSED SESSION 6:00 PM

Bob Lathrop made a motion, and Lorie Barber seconded the motion for the Board of Education recess to Closed Session to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3). Discuss 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). To consider information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Motion Passed by roll call vote at 6:33 pm.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorny: Yea

The Board returned to open session at 7:33 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by 8th grade students from Jefferson Jr. High who have attended our district throughout their education: Cali Weber, Alan Kalis, Jon Schultz, Alexander Kelly, Silas Wilkerson, and Emily Issaq.

DISTRICT 68 HIGHLIGHTS

- During the two weeks before winter break, the district administrators read to elementary classrooms across the district.
- Roadrunners Soccer Club donated new coats, boots, hats, and gloves to students of Woodridge.

CONSENT AGENDA

Donna Hebreard made a motion, and Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa seconded the motion to approve consent agenda items A - Open Session Minutes, B - Personnel, C - Treasurer's Report, and D - Accounts Payable.

Motion Passed by roll call vote.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorny: Yea

A. Minutes - 12.15.2025 - Regular Minutes Meeting of the Board of Education

B. Personnel Recommendations - January 2026

RESIGNATION(S) - EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Wood, Sheli, Lunchroom Supervisor, Willow Creek, 12/19/25, Personal

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Farrell, Elizabeth, EC Teaching Assistant, Edgewood, Family Medical Leave of Absence, 12/16/25 – 01/12/26
Farsalas, Christina, Social Studies, Jefferson JH, Family Medical Leave of Absence, 01/28 – 01/30/26
Kilkenny, Christine, Early Childhood, Goodrich, Family Medical Leave of Absence, 01/05 – 01/30/26
Rooney, Christine, Grade 3, William F. Murphy Family, Medical Leave of Absence, Intermittent
Sakiri, Afrita, Inclusion Teaching Assistant, Meadowview, Family Medical Leave of Absence, 02/05 – 04/08/26

C. Treasurer's Report - December 2025

D. Accounts Payable - January 2026

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Mr. Justin Warnke, Principal of Jefferson Jr. High, presented the Jefferson Jr. High School Improvement update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND PRESENTATION OF OTHER COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND REQUESTS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

None received

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. AC: 26-01 Approval of 2026 Board Policies

Bob Lathrop made a motion, and David Madden seconded the motion to approve the recommended board policy amendments, adoption and deletions, as presented.

Motion Passed by roll call vote.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorny: Yea

B. AC: 26-02 Approval of Board Policy 5200 Attendance and Truancy

Lorie Barber made a motion, and Bob Lathrop seconded the motion to approve Policy 5200 Attendance and Truancy as presented.

Motion Passed by roll call vote.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorny: Yea

C. AC: 26-03 Approval of Board Policy 6130 Wellness

David Madden made a motion, and Donna Hebreard seconded the motion to approve Wellness Policy 6130 as presented.

Motion Passed by roll call vote.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorny: Yea

D. AC: 26-04 Approval of Board Policy 6420 Acceptable Use Standards (AUS)

David Madden made a motion, and Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa seconded the motion to approve Policy 6420, Acceptable Use Standards, as presented.

Motion Passed by roll call vote.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorny: Yea

E. AC: 26-05 Approval of E-Rate Purchase Plan

Donna Hebreard made a motion, and Lorie Barber seconded the motion to approve the e-rate purchase plan as presented.

Motion Passed by roll call vote.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorny: Yea

F. AC: 26-06 Approval of 2025 Joint Conference Board Expenses

Bob Lathrop made a motion, and Donna Hebreard seconded the motion to approve Board expenses from the 2025 Joint Conference as presented.

Motion Passed by roll call vote.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Stuart Vanorn: Yea
Abstain: Cricel Molina de Mesa

G. DI: 26-01 Discussion on the Budget Timeline

Mr. Saindon provided the Board with an overview of the 2026-2027 budget timeline.

H. DI: 26-02 Discussion on the Five Year Financial Forecast

Mr. Saindon presented the five year forecast for the district.

I. DI: 26-03 Discussion on the Investment Program Review

Mr. Saindon presented the District's report received from PFM Asset Management Investment Services regarding the Market Update and Portfolio Review, and Performance Summary from September 23, 2025, to November 25, 2025.

J. DI: 26-04 Discussion of 2026-2027 School Calendar

Dr. Schmidt presented the proposed 2026-2027 School Calendar. It will return in February for board approval.

K. DI: 26-05 Discussion on Superintendent Evaluation Process

Dr. Broncato went over the timeline for the evaluation process.

BOARD REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

Dr. Schmidt presented the January FOIA report. Board members and Dr. Broncato shared district activities and events attended.

ADJOURNMENT

Lorie Barber made a motion, and Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Passed by roll call vote at 9:14 p.m.

Lorie Barber: Yea, Donna Hebreard: Yea, Bob Lathrop: Yea, David Madden: Yea, Dr. Cricel Molina de Mesa: Yea, Stuart Vanorn: Yea

Respectfully submitted by:

2.9.2026

Kim Superits, Board Secretary

2.9.2026

Approved: Stuart Vanorn, President