

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, July 14, 2025, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Nicholson Board Room, 415 Seymour Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403.

Present: James Bouche; Sarah Brock; Jennifer Paoli; Jane Rusch; Cory Sillars; and Lance Trollop.

Absent: Jon Creisher; Nick Crochiere; and Pat McKee.

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. ROLL CALL

Ms. Peck read the roll call.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Jim Bouché, President

President Bouche led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

President Bouche read the mission statement.

V. RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION: Sawyer Krambs (**Action Requested**)

Sarah Brock moved to approve Sawyer Krambs to receive the Resolution of Commendation, seconded by Lance Trollop. The motion carried 6-0.

VI. PUBLIC AND STUDENT COMMENT

There was none.

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

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

Melissa Leet (Music Teacher/GD Jones) 1.0 FTE, effective 8/25/25; Haley Graves (Music Teacher/Rib Mountain & Stettin) 1.0 FTE, effective 8/25/25; Treyton Larsen (Math Teacher/John Muir) 1.0 FTE, effective 8/25/25.

B. Separations (Resignations, Contract Decreases, Terminations)

C. Leaves of Absence

D. Retirements

Terri Tourtillott (ELA Teacher/Horace Mann) 1.0 FTE; effective 6/9/25.

E. Minutes: Regular Session of June 9, 2025; Special Session of June 23, 2025.

F. Payment of Bills/Budget Status and Investment Report

G. Donations to the District

\$2,000 worth of backpacks from Amazon Warehouse to the District; \$67 from American Online Giving Foundation to Wausau Area Montessori Charter; and \$200 from Pam Yang to Wausau West.

Jane Rusch moved to approve the consent agenda with great gratitude for donations made to the District, seconded by Jennifer Paoli. The motion carried 6-0.

VIII. OLD/RECURRING BUSINESS

A. Education/Operations Committee Meeting

There was none.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Budget Update

Josh Viegut gave an update on Federal and State Budget implications for the Wausau School District, according to what we know at this point in time.

B. Education/Operations Committee Meeting

1. WIAA Renewal (Action Requested)

Lance Trollop moved to approve of the WIAA renewals for Wausau East Wausau West, EEA, and WAVE as presented, seconded by Jennifer Paoli. The motion carried 6-0.

2. Annual Academic Standards (Action Requested)

Sarah Brock moved to approve of the 2025-2026 Academic Standards as presented, seconded by Cory Sillars. The motion carried 6-0.

3. 2025-2026 Paid Meal Price Update (Action Requested)

Jennifer Paoli moved approve the proposed changes to the meal prices as presented, seconded by Lance Trollop. The motion carried.

X. OPEN FORUM

A. Board Member Professional Growth & Development Report

Jim Bouche shared that he attended the WASB Summer Learning Symposium recently.

B. Legislative Liaison

Cory Sillars made brief comments about the biennial budget that was passed.

C. Superintendent Commentary

Mr. Bushman shared that HR is very solid on hiring this year. He was able to great many new teachers during their orientation days.

D. Presiding Officer Commentary

The Board Liaison Report for the month of July is as follows: Lance Trollop participated in a WASB Online seminar; and Jim Bouche participated in the WASB Learning Symposium on a panel.

XI. REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO STATE STATUES

Sarah Brock moved to enter into closed session, seconded by Jane Rusch. The motion carried 6-0 via a roll call vote at 5:54 pm.

A. Discussion regarding the Competitive Negotiations of a Purchase/Sale of Real Estate s. 19.85 (1)(e)

B. Reconvene in Open Session, and if Necessary, Take Action as a Result of the Closed Session

Jane Rusch moved to reconvene in Open Session, seconded by Jennifer Paoli. The motion carried at 5:54 pm.

Lance Trollop moved to give authorization to administration to make an counter offer on Hawthorn Hills as discussed in closed session, seconded by Cory Sillars. The motion carried 6-0.

XII. Adjourn

Jane Rusch moved to adjourn, seconded by Jennifer Paoli. The motion carried at 5:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cory Sillars,
Board Clerk

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