

BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS
REGULAR MEETING
Woodstock High School Learning Resources Center
January 27, 2026

I – CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Gilmore, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II – ROLL CALL

Present: Dr. Bidwell, Dr. Farris, Mr. Gilmore, Mr. Headley, Mr. Homuth, Mr. Miceli, Mr. Parisi, Julie Dillon, Chief Financial Officer, and Dr. Moan, Superintendent.

III - CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION – Moved by Dr. Bidwell and seconded by Mr. Headley to approve the Consent Agenda including minutes; routine personnel matters with addendum; Woodstock North High School co-curricular fundraising request 2025-2026; contracted services agreement with Soliant Health, LLC; and overnight field trip request for WHS Student Exchange to Madrid, Spain Mar 20-Apr 3, 2027, with roll call vote as follows:

Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Abstain
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

1. Approval of Minutes

1.1 Regular Meeting of January 13, 2026

1.2 Closed Session of January 13, 2026

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters

Employment of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions

Approve the employment of Laura Gould-Colangelo as Summer School Principal for the ESY and Middle School Program for the summer, 2026 session. Laura will submit timesheets for hours worked and will be paid the summer school, 2026 hourly rate in addition to a \$1,000 stipend.

III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters (Con't)

Employment of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions (Con't)

Approve the employment of Amy Ficek as Summer School Principal for the Kindergarten through 4th Grade Jump Start Program for the summer, 2026 session. Amy will submit timesheets for hours worked and will be paid the summer school, 2026 hourly rate in addition to a \$1,000 stipend.

Approve the employment of Maria Lagunas as 3rd Grade Dual Language Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year at a salary of \$49,996*. (MEES)

Approve the employment of Judith Rausch as Summer School Lead Teacher for the ESY and Middle School Program for the summer, 2026 session. Judith will submit timesheets for hours worked and will be paid the summer school, 2026 hourly rate in addition to a \$550 stipend.

Approve the employment of Karina Vargas as 2nd Grade Dual Language Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year at a salary of \$49,996*. (OES)

Approve the employment of Jessica Bloniarz as Special Education Classroom Health Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$19.10 per hour. (VDELC)

Approve the employment of Andrew Bucaro as 2nd Shift Custodian for the 2025-2026 school year at 4 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$17.48 per hour. (MEES)

Approve the employment of Juan Choca as 2nd Shift Custodian for the 2025-2026 school year at 8 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$17.48 per hour. (WNHS)

Approve the employment of Patricia Lugo Bernal as Noon Hour Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 3 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$18.10 per hour. (MEES)

Approve the employment of Nancy Muraski as Math Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$18.10 per hour. (DES)

Approve the employment of Yamilex Salinas as Summer School Secretary for the Kindergarten through 4th Grade Jump Start Program for the summer, 2026 session. Yamilex will submit timesheet for hours worked and will be paid regular hourly rate.

* Salary includes Board-paid contribution to TRS.

III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters (Con't)

Transfers/Changes/Reclassifications/Correction of Records of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions

Approve a change in hours for Julie Randecker for the 2025-2026 school year to 5.75 hours per day, 5 days per week. (Transportation – Route Driver)

Resignation/Retirement of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions

Approve the retirement of Karen Frawley, effective the end of the 2029-2030 school year. (CMS – Math Teacher)

Approve the resignation of Melissa Hurless, effective January 30, 2026. (WNHS – LRC Associate)

Approve the resignation of Maria Sanchez, effective January 30, 2026. (DES – Food Service Personnel)

Approve the resignation of Anna Giza, effective February 4, 2026. (GWE – 2nd Shift Custodian)

Any Leaves of Absence

Approve an unpaid leave of absence for Ashley Buckingham for the 2026-2027 school year. (WWE – 3rd Grade Teacher)

3. Approval of Woodstock North High School Co-Curricular Fundraising Request 2025-2026

4. Approval Contracted Services Agreement with Soliant Health, LLC

5. Approval of Overnight Field Trip Request for WHS Student Exchange to Madrid, Spain Mar 20-Apr 3, 2027

IV - RECOGNITION

1. Illinois State Scholars

Fifty-five members of the Class of 2026 in District 200 have been recognized as Illinois State Scholars. The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC), the state's college access and financial aid agency, confers this important recognition of academic achievement to exceptional Illinois high school students annually. This year, nearly 19,200 honorees join the other outstanding students who have been honored since the designation was first introduced in 1958. The State Scholar formula calculation uses a combination of the ACT/SAT

IV - RECOGNITION (Con't)1. Illinois State Scholars (Con't)

test scores, class rank or the unweighted GPA, and class size. Illinois State Scholars generally rank among the top 10 percent of the state's graduating seniors. "We're extremely proud of the students who've put in the extra work to earn the designation as an Illinois State Scholar. We know these students all have bright futures ahead," District 200 Superintendent Mike Moan said. Each State Scholar designee receives a congratulatory letter from ISAC and can download an official Illinois State Scholar badge to display on their online profiles and social media platforms, as well as share with their high school counselors, colleges, and employers.

Congratulations to this year's scholars:

Woodstock High School

Isabelle Alberto	Hunter Hasan	Meadow Roth
Maria Arreguin Menchaca	Cody Hendrickson	Addison Sanchez
Dannia Ayala Lopez	Dakota Hendrickson	Braedon Schwanke
Zachary Braun	Lydia Johanson	Colin Seminara
Sydney Burtcher	Sadie Keenan	Ellery Shutt
Elijah Cormican	Kiera Merrell	Caden Thompson
Matthew Cress	Daniel Nilsson	Jason Trojan
Nevaeh Crogan	Kendall O'Dea	Benjamin Vanderville
Austin Edwards	Daphne Oliveira	Eshaan Virani
Nicholas Erickson	Cooper Parisi	Avelina Vosters
Jesus Flores Cruz	Krishna Patel	Reagan Zawisza
Maximilian Haggerty	Aidan Riak	Carie Zhang
		Ayden Zim

Woodstock North High School

Rowan Anderson	Chloe Lennard	Adrian Pavlik
Lauren Bieszczad	Alyssa Madigan	Jeffrey Sedlack
Cooper Brown	Meredith Martin	Samantha Stell
Tyler Chaney	Sara McCarthy	Alexandria Tyranski
Alexie Hyrkas	Spencer McDonald	Emma Vanderstappen
Reagan Kottke	Cole Morrison	Olivia Vinas

2. Class of 2026 High SAT Scores (1300+)

The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) is one of two standardized college entrance examinations used across the country as a criterion for selection to colleges and universities. More than 2 million high school students took the SAT in 2025, including all Illinois high school juniors. Illinois students earned an average composite score of 966, based on a scale ranging from 400-1600. In District

IV - RECOGNITION (Con't)2. Class of 2026 High SAT Scores (1300+) (Con't)

200, 9 students exceeded that average considerably by scoring 1300 or better on the exam. Congratulations to these members of the class of 2026:

Woodstock High School

Matthew Cress
Nevaeh Crogan
Krishna Patel

Cooper Parisi
Eshaan Virani

Woodstock North High School

Cooper Brown
Alyssa Madigan

Michael E. Smith
Melanie Woodcock

3. **District 200 Staff Spotlight – Greenwood Elementary School**

Staff Spotlight is a Board of Education initiative to recognize outstanding staff members. Throughout the year, school principals will identify one certified and one classified staff member from their building to be honored for exceptional effort in their jobs. We are proud to recognize the following individuals from Greenwood Elementary School:

Bonnie Lewis
Jen Feller

Special Education Resource Teacher
Special Education Associate

Congratulations to Bonnie and Jen, and thank you for your outstanding efforts on behalf of your students.

MOTION - Moved by Mr. Parisi and seconded by Mr. Miceli to introduce the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 wishes to recognize the contributions of these individuals, and WHEREAS, District 200 has benefited as a result of these accomplishments; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 hereby bestows special recognition and a certificate of achievement on behalf of the citizens of the District, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

V - COMMUNICATIONS

"Communications are a time for community members and District employees to express a point of view, not to debate an issue. There will be a sign-up sheet for the public to identify their name, address, phone number, name of the organization you represent (if any) and a brief description of the topic to be addressed. Comments are generally limited to 3 minutes (See Board Policy 2:230).

There were no public or staff comments.

Mr. Miceli announced that the D200 Education Foundation's Silent Auction has begun and that the Board's donation to the auction this year is a gift certificate to the Lake Geneva Cooking School and several bottles of wine.

VI - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Moan commented on the cold weather and explained that we used a traditional weather day last Friday due to the extreme cold. He reminded everyone that the first two weather days will be used as traditional snow days with no school, to be made up at the end of the year. Any additional weather days will be used as remote learning days.

Dr. Moan shared that beginning February 6th, the Woodstock High School theater department will be presenting Little Women. He encouraged everyone to attend one of the shows.

Dr. Moan also mentioned that the D200 Education Foundation's Silent Auction is in full swing with all bidding concluding on Sunday, February 1st. He noted that all money raised directly benefits our students. He thanked the Board for their generous donation.

VII - MONITORING REPORT

1. Best Buddies Program Update

Woodstock North High School Best Buddies Advisor Holly Ehlenburg began by explaining Best Buddies is an international, non-profit organization that creates opportunities for students to form one-to-one partnerships within the schools. Buddy pairs are created when a student with a disability is matched with a student without a disability. Ms. Ehlenburg noted that there are Best Buddies chapters in all 40 states as well as in 41 countries.

Creekside Best Buddies Advisor Julie Stone informed the Board that the chapter at Creekside Middle School was established in 2009 and has had as many as 150 kids participating. Officer meetings are held twice a month before school where kids plan the events. Many events are held each month and they have included pumpkin painting, a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Claus, a Hawaiian themed event, and Special Olympics.

VII - MONITORING REPORT (Con't)

1. Best Buddies Program Update (Con't)

Ms. Ehlenburg noted that the Woodstock North High School chapter was established in 2012 and some of their events have included Boo Bowling and movies. They are particularly excited to host the Best Buddies Walkathon for Inclusion on April 26th.

Ms. Ehlenburg added that the Woodstock High School chapter of Best Buddies also began in 2012 and holds monthly events such as holiday sweater decorating and other art projects with students working together.

Each chapter has fundraising opportunities that help provide scholarships for students to attend the Best Buddies International Leadership Conference. Ms. Stone explained that one of their favorite events is the Polar Plunge. At Creekside, this means that the Woodstock fire department comes and sprays participants with their firehose. Best Buddies raised over \$14,000 last year and their goal this year is to increase that to \$15,000. Another fundraising activity is the Best Buddies Friendship Walk. This year, the walk will be held on April 19th at the Wintrust Arena.

Board questions included inquiring about the process to add the program at Northwood Middle and the elementary schools, how many special needs kids are at the schools who are able to participate, and are there any schools without a presence at this point.

This was an informational report only. No formal Board action was required.

VIII - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

IX - NEW BUSINESS

1. Second Quarter Review of the 2025-2026 Budget

In her quarterly review of the status of the budget, Chief Financial Officer Julie Dillon pointed out several key factors and reported that revenues and expenditures in all three operating funds are on target and trending where they should be at the halfway point of the year.

Board questions included wondering if we've heard anything about the changes in the federal government and the impact they might have on state funding.

This is an informational report only. No formal Board action is required.

IX - NEW BUSINESS (Con't)2. Approval of 2026-2027 Fee Schedule

Ms. Dillon explained that the fee schedule is being presented tonight so that the District can begin working on the 2026-2027 budget. She reported that the general registration fees over the past 2 years have increased 5% per year and administration is proposing no increase for next year.

Kids Club remains one of the most affordable means of after school care and remains in high demand. Mrs. Dillon noted that a 5% increase in Kids Club fees is being proposed. Increases are also proposed for Pre-K and Special Education tuition rates. These increases are based on calculation of actual costs in FY26.

Mrs. Dillon advised that lunch fees are scheduled to increase \$.20 per meal. This is less than the allowable \$.40 per review with ISBE. Consistent with fees described above, increased lunch fees reflect the impact of inflation on food and supplies.

MOTION - Moved by Mr. Parisi and seconded by Dr. Bidwell to approve the 2026-2027 Student Fee schedules as presented, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

3. Approval of Policy Revisions for a First Reading

Associate Superintendent, Brian McAdow reported that there were 20 policies for the Board to consider for a first reading this evening. All policy revisions and additions come from PRESS and many of them are for continuous improvement. More than 10 of them have very minimal changes. Others have larger changes such as 4:10 and 4:30 that deal with financial and budgetary rules. Some of the deadlines have changes and we are already in compliance. Mr. McAdow noted that Policy 4:180 which is our harassment policy has additions on cyber bullying and also has AI language added. He added that Policy 7:150 has been rewritten and renamed. It used to be Agency and Police Interviews and it is now called Agency and Law Enforcement Requests.

MOTION - Moved by Mr. Homuth and seconded by Dr. Bidwell to approve the recommended revisions to Policy 2:150, 2:270, 4:10, 4:30, 4:80, 5:10, 5:90, 5:100, 5:280, 6:20, 6:130, 6:160, 6:260, 6:300, 6:320, 7:70, 7:150, 7:180, 7:190, and 7:290, for a first reading, with roll call vote as follows:

IX - NEW BUSINESS (Con't)4. Approval of Policy Revisions for a First Reading (Con't)MOTION (Con't)

Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

X - COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Gilmore reported that the AI Committee met on January 22nd to discuss next steps. One step is to make sure to have something in place within our policy to cover academic dishonesty. Mr. Gilmore added that staff have been trying different things in the classroom using AI. One system that has been put in place is the spotlight system that explains where AI can be fully used, where it can be used in part and where it can't be used at all. He advised that the next AI meeting will be held on February 19th.

XI - CLOSED SESSION

MOTION - Moved by Mr. Parisi and seconded by Mr. Headley to go into closed session at 7:56 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity; 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; and consideration of executive session audio recordings to be destroyed, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:14 p.m.

XII - ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

1. Action on Executive Session Audio Recordings to Be Destroyed

MOTION - Moved by Dr. Bidwell and seconded by Mr. Homuth to destroy executive session audio recordings of October 10, 2023, November 14, 2023, December 12, 2023, February 13, 2024, and February 27, 2024 and retain executive session audio recording for April 23, 2024.

Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes

XIII - ADJOURNMENT

MOTION - Moved by Dr. Farris and seconded by Dr. Bidwell to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m., with roll call vote as follows:

Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

John D. Parisi, Secretary

Carl W. Gilmore, President