



BOARD BRIEF

The Washington Community High School District #308 Board of Education consists of seven members who are elected by the community to serve a four year term.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Regular Board Meeting
July 10 (7:00 PM)

June 2017 Board Meeting Summary



Highlights of Reports and Discussion Items

The following items were presented to the board:

Dean's Reports

Dean Scott Foster shared several reports with the board of education that spoke to the dedicated work of the teachers, dean's office and counselors.

Panther Pride Program - The Panther Pride Program incents students to have good attendance, limited or no discipline instances, and higher academic standards. At the end of second semester, 64% of students qualified for one of the three levels in the program, which is the highest level of [participation](#) since the program was launched.

Drop Out Report - WCHS has seen a decrease in drop outs over time, with single digits starting in 2013 and most notably zero for the 2016-17 school year. With an enrollment base of around 1,300 students this is a wonderful result. The teachers, deans and counselors have been very engaged in programs such as IMPACT and PAC and we are seeing the right result for our students.

Suspensions - This year there were 45 suspensions and zero expulsions. This is a substantial decrease from the 100 to 130 suspensions for each of the past three years. The decrease is largely due to the introduction of the CARE program.

Early Intervention Report – Mr. Walt Nunnally shared an update about the Early Intervention program. He spoke about the growing demands on students and the increase in instances requiring early intervention support. He attributes positive student outcomes to the team effort between his program and the dean's office. There is a lot of great work being done in this space.

Finance Report – Dr. Sander provided a [summary report](#) of the financial status of the district. The current budget will come to completion on June 30 and the board will approve the next fiscal year budget at the

September board meeting. A point of interest was the delay in funding of approximately \$500K from the State of Illinois for special education and transportation services. The school has the funds to cover the shortfall, but if you are concerned about the delayed payment please contact your state representatives.

Board Committee Reports

Curriculum, Facilities and Policy Committees – Did not meet.

[Finance Committee](#) – The committee further discussed adding Lacrosse to the WCHS athletics program, but a final decision has not been made.

Dr. Sander discussed the background for the current budget and distributed the tentative budget for 2017-18.

The committee reviewed bid information from CDS Office Technologies and James Unland & Company, Inc. for new copiers and worker's compensation services respectively. The committee approved both vendors.

Insurance Committee – The committee reviewed information about reinsurance and bid information from local healthcare networks. The committee will meet again to finalize these items.

Board Goals Report

Dr. Freeman shared an end of year [board goals report](#). Overall, the work from these goals has been completed and open items are nearing completion in the areas of facilities and finance. Anne Bradford shared a [communications overview](#) to recap the work completed this year and share ideas for next year's work. She is planning to do a follow up survey about communications at the beginning of the next school year.

Resignations – The following resignations were presented: Rebecca Liescheidt, English Dept. Chair and John Guedet, Asst. Football Coach.

June 2017 Board Meeting Summary (continued)



Highlights of Action Items

The following items were approved:

Personnel – The Board of Education approved the following personnel changes that can be found in [Section 8.1](#):

The board approved certified employment for Angie Beenders, School Psychologist; Angela Stoltz, School Social Worker; and David Krostal, Long-Term Sub (English).

The board approved extracurricular employment for Lindsey Watson, Asst. Volleyball Coach; Maureen Minehan, Asst. Cheer Coach; and Cale Dahm, Asst. Football Coach.

The board approved a leave of absence request for Erin Parrott and a retirement request from Martin Neubauer, Bus Driver.

Summer School – The board approved the [schedule and staff list](#) for summer school.

Tentative budget – The board approved the [tentative budget](#) for the 2017-18 school year. A tentative budget is necessary because the 2016-17 fiscal year budget ends June 30 and a tentative budget must be in place to pay bills from July – September. The 2017-18 fiscal year budget will be presented at the September board meeting.

Resolutions – The board approved the Resolution to Adopt the Regulatory Basis of Accounting and to prepay reoccurring bills.

Auditor – The board approved the use of [Koch Consultants](#) for auditing financial statements for the financial year ending June 30, 2017.

Bus Agreement – The board approved four-year bus lease agreement with [Midwest Transit](#). This will provide replacements for buses 9 and 10.

Service Bids – The board approved the [contracts](#) for products and services as described: Bakery Products - Alpha Baking, Dairy Products - Central Illinois Produce and Trash Removal - PDC.

Service Bids – The board approved [Brunk's](#) as the P.E. uniform vendor for the 2017-18 school year. The price for uniforms will be set at \$15.00.

Links of interest



[Finance Report](#)



[May Approved Minutes](#)



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