

MISSION STATEMENT

Working together with home and community we are dedicated to providing the best education for every student, enabling each to be a thoughtful, responsible contributor to a changing world.

AGENDA

February 13, 2023

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

LOCATION: District Office, 510 Peach Street, Wisc. Rapids, WI 54494
Conf Rm A/B – *enter through doors on the north end off of Lincoln or Peach Street*
(Note that the meeting will also be live streamed at this link: [Meeting Livestream Link](#))

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

- I Call to Order
- II Pledge of Allegiance
- III Roll Call
- IV Comments From Citizens and Delegations
Persons who wish to address the Board may make a statement pertaining to a specific agenda item. The Board President will establish limits for speakers due to time constraints. Persons wishing to address the Board should sign up to do so with the Board Secretary before the meeting begins. You can sign up when you arrive at the meeting, or in advance of the meeting by emailing Maurine Hodgson at maurine.hodgson@wrps.net (*emails must be received by noon on the day of the meeting*) – call Maurine at 715-424-6701 if you have any questions. Comments made by the public shall be civil in content and tone. Speakers bear the personal risk if comments made are defamatory, slanderous, or otherwise harmful to another individual. Please keep in mind that this is a meeting of the Board open to the public, and not a public hearing.
- V Student Representative Report
- VI School Showcase – Howe Elementary School
- VII Minutes
 - A. Regular Board of Education Meeting – January 9, 2023
 - B. Special Board of Education Meetings (2 – Closed Session) – January 5, 2023
- VIII Committee Reports
 - A. Educational Services Committee
 - 1. Action to approve of the proposed 2023-24 WRPS Strategic Plan.
 - 2. Updates and reports on the mid-year Achievement Gap Reduction (AGR) report; student travel planned for summer, 2023; and the approach to remote learning on inclement weather days.
 - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of February 6, 2023.
 - B. Business Services Committee
 - 1. Action to approve a lease agreement with CESA 5 for use of the Vesper Community Academy facility; proposals from Nassco and Hillyard for floor finish; a 5-year School Resource Officer contract with the City of Wisconsin Rapids; and purchase of 200 HP Chromebooks from PDS.
 - 2. Updates and reports on invoices, bid specs, and purchase orders.
 - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of February 6, 2023.

The Wisconsin open meetings law requires the Board, or Board Committee, only take action on subject matter that is noticed on their respective agendas. Persons wishing to place items on the agenda should contact the District Office at 715-424-6701, at least seven working days prior to the meeting date for the item to be considered. The item may be referred to the appropriate Committee or placed on the Board agenda as determined by the Superintendent and/or Board President. With advance notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of persons with disabilities by providing a sign language interpreter or other auxiliary aids, by calling 715-424-6701.

VIII Committee Reports (*continued*)

C. Personnel Services Committee

1. Action to approve employee appointments, resignations, and retirements; the addition of a custodial position at Lincoln High School and a cleaner position at THINK Academy; the addition of an IEP Assessment Specialist position; and approval of the proposed expenditures from the Department of Health Services (DHS) School Health Workforce Development Grant.
2. Updates on the status of District substitute fill rates and substitute staffing levels.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of February 6, 2023.

IX Agenda Referrals/Information Requests

X Legislative Agenda

XI Bills

- A. Action on Receipts and Disbursements

XII New Business

- A. Possible action on employee appointments, resignations, and retirement requests.
B. Update and discussion on development of the 2023-24 District Budget.

XIII Calendar

The calendar reflects meetings and events that are scheduled as of February 13, 2023:

1. February 13, 2023 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
2. February 13, 2023 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – Immediately Following Regular Board of Education Meeting
3. February 15, 2023 (Wed) – Special Board of Education Meetings (Closed Session) – Individual Meeting Times: 4:30 p.m., 5:45 p.m., 6:45 p.m.
4. February 16, 2023 (Thur) – Open House at Grant Elementary School Showcasing Referendum Upgrades – 5:00-6:30 p.m.
5. February 21, 2023 (Tue) – Spring Primary Election
6. February 21, 2023 (Tue) – Council for Instructional Improvement Committee Meeting – 8:00 a.m.
7. February 24, 2023 (Fri) – WFHR Radio Interview to Showcase District Programming – 10:30 a.m.
8. February 27, 2023 (Mon) – Board Election Canvass Meeting – 4:15 p.m.
9. February 27, 2023 (Mon) – Special Business Services Committee Meeting (Closed Session) – 5:30 p.m.
10. February 28, 2023 (Tue) – Student Wellness Committee Meeting (Virtual Only) – 4:00 p.m.
11. March 2, 2023 (Thur) – Spring Election Ballot Draw – 3:20 p.m.
12. March 3, 2023 – Professional Development Day (No School)
13. March 6, 2023 (Mon) – Board Committee Meetings
 - Educational Services – 6:00 p.m.
 - Business Services and Personnel Services – Immediately following the Educational Services Committee Meeting, but not before 6:15 p.m.
14. March 13, 2023 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
15. March 27-31, 2023 – Spring Break Week (No School)

XIV Adjourn

WRPS Pupil Nondiscrimination Statement

The School District of Wisconsin Rapids is committed to equal educational opportunity for all District students. The District will not deny any person admission to, participation in, or the benefits of any curricular, extra-curricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of a person's gender, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, transgender status, gender identity, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected under State or Federal civil rights laws. Please review [Board Policy 411](#) for additional information. Incidents of discrimination or harassment should be reported to a teacher, administrator, supervisor or other District employee to be addressed or forwarded on to District Compliance Officer Brian Oswald.

Special Statement Regarding Sex Discrimination Under Title IX

In compliance with the federal Title IX statutes and regulations set forth in Chapter 106 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the District does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of sex in any education program or activity that the District operates. Title IX's requirement not to discriminate in any education program or activity extends to cover, but is not limited to, District students, certain admissions processes, and District employment. Inquiries regarding how Title IX and the federal Title IX regulations apply to the District may be referred to the District's Title IX Coordinator (as designated below), to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, or to both. Please refer to [Board Policy 411.11](#) for additional information.

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