

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

August 14, 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 School Showcase – River Cities High School
- VI Minutes
 - A. Regular Board of Education Meeting – July 17, 2023
- VII Committee Reports
 - A. Educational Services Committee
 - 1. Action to approve of first reading of Board Policies 352 – Field Trips, 352 Rule – Field Trip Planning Criteria, 354 – Travel and Exchange Programs, 539.2 – Exchange Teaching, 443 – Student Conduct, 443 Rule – Code of Classroom Conduct, 443.9 – Cheating, 443.9 Rule (1) – Cheating Guidelines, 443.9 Rule (2) – Plagiarism Guidelines, and 310 – Instructional Goals; approval to apply for Title VI funding; and approval to migrate from Skyward SMS 2.0 to Skyward Qmlativ with an affiliated 3-year contract.
 - 2. Updates and reports on School Health Manual revisions; annual Seclusion and Restraint Report; and Career and Technical Education Incentive Grant funding.
 - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of August 7, 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.

VII Committee Reports (*continued*)

B. Business Services Committee

1. Action to additional security surveillance cameras and door access control at Mead, Washington, Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School, East Junior High School, and Lincoln High School.
2. Updates and reports on invoices, bids, and purchase orders; a Wisconsin Retirement System rate increase; and placement of a WoodTrust Bank ATM machine at Lincoln High School.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of August 7, 2023.

C. Personnel Services Committee

1. Action to approve employee appointments, resignations, and retirements; a one-time stipend for coordination of the Title VI program in 2023-24; and second reading of Board Policies 347 Rule – Guidelines for the Control and Maintenance of Student Records, 525 – Personnel Records, and 823 – Access to Public Records.
2. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of August 7, 2023.

VIII Agenda Referrals/Information Requests

IX Legislative Agenda

X Bills

- A. Action on Receipts and Disbursements

XI New Business

- A. Possible action on employee appointments, resignations, and retirement requests.
B. Discussion and possible action to approve of purchasing technology devices for Board member use and movement toward electronic distribution of meeting materials.

XII Calendar

The calendar reflects meetings and events that are scheduled as of August 14, 2023:

1. August 14, 2023 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
2. August 21, 2023 (Mon) – New Colleague Luncheon (Board Members Invited) – 11:30 a.m.
3. August 25, 2023 (Fri) – WFHR Education Update Interview – Airs at 3:30 p.m.
4. August 28, 2023 (Mon) – All Staff Welcome Back / In-Service at Performing Arts Center (PAC) – 8:00 a.m.
5. September 5, 2023 (Tue) – First Day of School
6. September 5, 2023 (**Tue**) – 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.
7. September 11, 2023 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
8. September 20, 2023 (Wed) – Council for Instructional Improvement (CII) Committee Meeting – 12:00 p.m.
9. September 22, 2023 (Fri) – WFHR Education Update Interview – Airs at 3:30 p.m.

XIII 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 Oswall.

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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