

## 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

November 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](mailto: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 – Woodside Elementary School
- VI Student Representative Report
- VII Minutes
  - A. Regular Board of Education Meeting – October 9, 2023
  - B. Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – October 9, 2023
  - C. Special Board of Education Meeting – October 23, 2023
  - D. Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – October 23, 2023
  - E. Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – October 24, 2023
- VIII Committee Reports
  - A. Educational Services Committee
    - 1. Action to approve of curriculum course proposals and modifications; Start College Now spring 2024 course applications; revisions to the professional staff Supplemental Pay Plan; and first reading of Board Policies 458 – Student Wellness and 458 Rule – Nutrition Guidelines.
    - 2. Updates and reports on upcoming student travel plans and Wisconsin Student Assessment System (WSAS) results for the 2022-23 school year.
    - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of November 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*)

B. Business Services Committee

1. No actionable items.
2. Updates and reports on purchases and invoices, and finalization of the 2021 referendum projects.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of November 6, 2023.

C. Personnel Services Committee

1. Action to approve employee appointments, resignations, and retirements; a wage increase for the following employee groups: Psychologists, Athletic Director, Assistant Athletic Director, Food Production Coordinator, Food Services, School Nurses, Computer Technicians, PAC Director, PAC Assistant Coordinator, Network Manager, Systems Manager, Instructional Software Support, Confidential Secretaries, Van Drivers, Custodial and Maintenance, AV Coordinator, and Office/Clerical and Aide Support Staff; increases to the short term substitute teacher and aide pay rates; pay increase for the homebound instructor position; and adjustment to move the Native American liaison position to the hourly support staff compensation schedule.
2. Updates and reports on open enrollment data for the 2023-24 school year.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of November 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. Discussion and possible action on the WRPS employee health insurance plan renewal and continued contributions to employee Health Savings Accounts.

XIII Calendar

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

1. November 13, 2023 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
2. November 13, 2023 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – Immediately Following Regular Board of Education Meeting
3. November 14, 2023 (Tue) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – 5:00 p.m.
4. November 29, 2023 (Wed) – WRPS Education Update on WFHR Radio Show – 3:30 p.m.
5. December 4, 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.
6. December 11, 2023 (Tue) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
7. December 17, 2023 (Sun) – Community Holiday Concert / Friend of Ed Award – 4:00 p.m.
8. December 22, 2023 (Wed) – WRPS Education Update on WFHR Radio Show – 3:30 p.m.

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 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.

WRPS Title IX Coordinators

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