

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

January 13, 2025

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 Update and Discussion on 2023-24 WRPS District Financial Audit Report (Representatives from the Hawkins Ash CPAs auditing firm will join the meeting virtually.)
- VI Student Representative Report
- VII Minutes
 - A. Regular Board of Education Meeting – December 9, 2024
 - B. Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – December 9, 2024
 - C. Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed/Open Session) – December 9, 2024
 - D. Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – December 16, 2024
- VIII Committee Reports
 - A. Educational Services Committee
 - 1. Action to approve of open enrollment space determination limits for the 2025-26 school year.
 - 2. Updates and reports on the District Gifted and Talented Education program grants, annual Central Oaks Academy Charter School report, a short-term student exchange immersion experience for French students, and upcoming student travel plans.
 - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of January 6, 2025.

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. Action to approve of Lincoln High School fitness center equipment purchases, a proposal from Robinson Brothers for the demolition of the Immanuel Lutheran Church building, and a proposal from CESA 6 to provide Communication and Marketing services.
2. Updates and reports on purchases, invoices, the 2023-24 District financial audit document, and building utility costs.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of January 6, 2025.

C. Personnel Services Committee

1. Action to approve employee appointments, resignations, and a one-time stipend for the assistant facilitator of the Vaping Prevention and Treatment Initiatives grant including supplies and trainings.
2. Updates and reports on 2024-25 class size reports for the elementary and secondary levels.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of January 6, 2025.

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 2025 Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB) Resolutions.

XIII Calendar

The calendar reflects meetings and events that are scheduled as of January 13, 2025:

1. January 13, 2025 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
2. January 13, 2025 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Neola Board Policy Review) – Immediately Following Regular Board of Education Meeting
3. January 13, 2025 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – Immediately Following Special Board of Education Neola Policy Review Meeting
4. January 15, 2025 (Wed) – Wellness Committee Meeting – 3:30 p.m.
5. January 21-24, 2025 – Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB) State Education Convention
6. January 24, 2025 (Fri) – WRPS Education Update on WFHR Radio Show – Airs Around 4:30 p.m.
7. February 3, 2025 (Mon) – Board Committee Meetings
 - Educational Services – 6:00 p.m.
 - Business Services and Personnel Services – Immediately following the Special Board of Education Neola Policy Review Meeting
8. February 3, 2025 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Neola Policy Review) – Immediately Following Educational Services Committee Meeting, but not before 6:15 p.m.
9. February 10, 2025 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
10. February 26, 2025 (Wed) – Council for Instructional Improvement Meeting – 12:00 p.m.
11. February 28, 2025 (Fri) – WRPS Education Update on WFHR Radio Show – Airs Around 4:30 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 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 411.24](#) for additional information.

WRPS Title IX Coordinators (located at 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494)

Brian Oswald, Director of HR P: 715-424-6710 E: titleixcoordinator@wrps.net	Steve Hepp, Director of Pupil Services P: 715-424-6724 E: titleixasstcoordinator@wrps.net
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