

## 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 10, 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 Christine Wefel at [christine.wefel@wrps.net](mailto:christine.wefel@wrps.net) (emails must be received by noon on the day of the meeting) – call Chris 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 – Pitsch Early Learning Center

VI Special Recognition – Retiring Board Secretary

VII Student Representative Report

VIII Minutes

- A. Regular Board of Education Meeting – January 13, 2025
- B. Special Board of Education Meeting (Neola Policies) – January 13, 2025
- C. Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed/Open Session) – January 13, 2025
- D. Special Board of Education Meeting (Neola Policies) – February 3, 2025

IX Committee Reports

- A. Educational Services Committee
  - 1. Action to approve of the 2025-2026 WRPS Strategic Framework.
  - 2. Updates and reports on the Achievement Gap Reductions (AGR) Mid-Year Report.
  - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of February 3, 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.

## IX Committee Reports *(continued)*

### B. Business Services Committee

1. Action to approve of a CESA 5 lease agreement for space at East Jr. High for 2025-26; floor finish proposal purchases; time tracking and sub management system software; proposal for upgrades to Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School tennis court; computer hardware purchases; and a 3-year contract with Solarus to provide internet access.
2. Updates and reports on purchases and invoices; a monthly budget report; and a First Bank Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) investment report.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of February 3, 2025.

### C. Personnel Services Committee

1. Action to approve employee appointments, resignations, and retirements.
2. Updates and reports on the status of District substitutes.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of February 3, 2025.

## X Agenda Referrals/Information Requests

## XI Legislative Agenda

## XII Bills

### A. Action on Receipts and Disbursements

## XIII New Business

- A. Possible action on employee appointments, resignations, and retirement requests.
- B. Discussion and possible action to rescind Board Policies 411.24 and 411.24 Rule and approve of recommended changes to Board Policies 411.11, 411.11 Rule 1, and 411.11 Rule 2 related to sexual harassment and nondiscrimination.
- C. Discussion and consideration of the School Perceptions Survey draft developed for administration to District staff members and parents.
- D. Update and discussion on the status of the 2024-25 District budget as well as the development of the 2025-26 District budget.

## XIV Calendar

The calendar reflects meetings and events that are scheduled as of February 10, 2025:

1. February 10, 2025 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
2. February 10, 2025 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Closed Session) – Immediately Following the Regular Board of Education Meeting
3. February 20, 2025 (Thur) – Retirement Celebration at Jennings – 4:30 p.m.
4. February 26, 2025 (Wed) – Council for Instructional Improvement Meeting – 12:00 p.m.
5. February 28, 2025 (Fri) – WRPS Education Update on WFHR Radio Show – Aired Around 4:30 p.m.
6. March 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
7. March 3, 2025 (Mon) – Special Board of Education Meeting (Neola Policy Review) – Immediately Following Educational Services Committee Meeting, but not before 6:15 p.m.
8. March 5, 2025 (Wed) – Special Business Services Committee Meeting (Closed Session) – 4:30 p.m.
9. March 10, 2025 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
10. March 24-28, 2025 – Spring Break Week

## XV 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)

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P: 715-424-6710	P: 715-424-6724
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