

February 2, 2026

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of Wabash City Schools was held on Monday, February 2, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Wabash City Hall, 202 S Wabash St, Wabash, Indiana at 6:00 p.m. Wabash, IN. 46992.

I. Organization of Meeting

- A. Present was Board President Rhonda Hipskind, Board Vice-President Jason Fry, Board Secretary Jade Hall, Board Members Joan Foster and Connie Gorman. Also present was Superintendent Dr. Amy K. Sivley, Chief Operations Officer Matt Stone and Board Counsel Jordan Tandy.
- B. School Board President Rhonda Hipskind called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- C. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
- D. *Wabash City Schools Mission Wabash City Schools provides a relevant and rigorous education, founded upon relationships, to ensure each student is college and career-ready for success in a global community.*
- E. Board President Rhonda Hipskind welcomed everybody.
- F. Recognitions
 - 1) The board recognized the OJ Leaders.
- G. Revisions
 - 1) Board to approve Revisions IV.I.
Hall/Foster-passed unanimously
- H. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Minutes of January 20, 2026
 - 2. Claims
 - 3. Donations
 - 4. Financials
Fry/Hall-passed unanimously
- I. The next regular scheduled board meeting will be Monday, February 16, 2026 at Wabash City Hall, 202 S Wabash St., Wabash, Indiana at 6:00 p.m.

II. Communications

- A. WHS, Mr. Blossom, [Facebook](#); [Twitter](#); [Twitter \(@WHS_Assist Prin\)](#)
- B. WMS, Mr. Mattern, [Facebook](#); [Twitter](#)
- C. OJN, Ms. Phillipy, [Facebook page](#); [Twitter](#)
- D. LHC, Mrs. Wilson, [Facebook](#); [Twitter](#)

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

- A. Dr. Sivley read the WHS Student Council update.
- B. The board approved Carol Enyeart's request to move to part-time beginning with the 2026-2027 school year. Mrs. Enyeart will continue to teach the Educational Pathways classes for WMHS.
Hall/Foster-passed unanimously
- C. The board approved combining the ½ time High Ability position at OJN and the ½ time Title I Interventionist position at LHC. This will begin the 2026-2027 school year.
Hall/Fry-passed unanimously
- D. The board approved the following retirements, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year:
 - 1) Paula Merriman, administrative assistant at L.H. Carpenter.
 - 2) Alan Tribbett's as a full-time bus driver. Mr. Tribbett would like to continue to drive athletic trips for Wabash City Schools.
 - 3) Bill Benysh, WMHS Science Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
Hall/Fry-passed unanimously
- E. The board accepted the resignation of Mike Mattern as Boys Varsity Tennis Coach.
Fry/Hall-passed unanimously
- F. The board approved a leave of absence for employee #12590 from January 6, 2026 to January 23, 2026.
Hall/Foster-passed unanimously
- G. The board approved the annual overnight 5th grade camp trip to YMCA Camp Crosley located in Webster, IN. This trip is scheduled for May 18 & May 19, 2026.
Fry/Hall/passes unanimously
- H. The board approved the annual out of state field trip for the 6th grade students and teachers to Chicago, IL. This trip includes time at the Science and Industry Museum, Lincoln Park Zoo, and Navy Pier.
Hall/Fry-passed unanimously
- I. The board approved the resignation of Stacy Baer as special education teacher at L.H. Carpenter at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
Fry/Hall-passed unanimously

- V. Superintendent Dr. Amy Sivley says I know that Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow so we have six more weeks of winter—I'm just hoping it's not like the winter we have had so far! We currently have one Asynchronous eLearning Day remaining. All schools are given three; we had four extra through our 1003 Flexibility Waiver. As a result of last week's statewide weather event, the IDOE sent information to apply for a waiver for days used last week. I have submitted the waiver but as of noon today, I have not heard if it was approved. If it is approved, I am hoping that means that the three eLearning Days that we received will be "restored" thus giving us four Asynchronous days remaining. If we would exceed the number of Asynchronous days we are allotted, we would need to do Synchronous which would mean that teachers and students would log into a Google meet for live instruction on that day. Information will be shared with families to prepare them for this possibility.

Good luck to our girls basketball team who kicks off sectional tomorrow night against Eastern.

This Wednesday, February 4th, is the Big Idea Event at OJ. It was rescheduled from last Wednesday. It runs from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. We invited families to come out and pick up free food from Second Harvest Foodbank.

Next week is our annual Riley Fundraiser Week.

- VI. Chief Operations Officer Matt Stone wants to thank our Maintenance staff.
- VII. No Items from Administrators
- VIII. No Items from Visitors
- IX. Other Items from board members: Connie Gorman says she is attending the marketing meeting. Jade Hall says that PAg wants to farm the HCC land of 32 acres.
- X. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

President

Vice President

Secretary

Board Member

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