

June 9, 2026

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of Wabash City Schools was held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Wabash City Hall, 202 S. Wabash St., Wabash, IN. 46992

I. Organization of Meeting

- A. Present was Board President Rhonda Hipkind, Board Vice-President Jason Fry, Board Members Joan Foster and Connie Gorman. Also present was Superintendent Dr. Amy K. Sivley, and Board Counsel Jordan Tandy. Absent was Board Secretary Jade Hall.
- B. School Board President Rhonda Hipkind 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 Hipkind welcomed everybody.
- F. Recognitions
- G. Revisions
 - 1) Revisions IV.U.
- H. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Minutes of May 18, 2026
 - 2. Claims
 - 3. Donations
 - 4. FinancialsFoster/Fry-passed unanimously
- I. The next regular scheduled board meeting will be Monday, June 29, 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. The board held the first reading of updated Policy 4307- Wireless Devices. This update is to ensure compliance with the new state law.
- B. The board approved the following stipends for Special Ed Teachers for the second semester:
 - Stacy Baer - \$650.00
 - Christin Hoppes - \$550.00
 - Britanie Holloway - \$925.00
 - Barb Morgan - \$1,175.00
 - Sarah Cole - \$800.00
 - Ben Backer- \$700.00
 - Katelin Lloyd - \$725.00
 - Amy Oswalt - \$1,350.00
 - Josie Phillipy - \$1,300.00
 - Elizabeth Burns - \$850.00
 - Markus Clancy - \$425.00
 - Foster/Fry-passed unanimously
- C. The board approved Kyle Kelsheimer to work as Athletic Director for eight days in the month of June at the daily rate approved in his Athletic Director contract (\$346.34).
Fry/Foster-passed unanimously
- D. The board approved a stipend of \$4,100.00 for Matt Mindach for development of IOS and MacOS applications to track work-based learning hours required for the New Indiana Diploma. This is paid from the P-CAP grant.
Foster/Gorman-passed unanimously
- E. The board approved the following stipends for extra athletic supervision duties for second semester 2025-2026: Justin Denney (\$3000) and Amanda Jones (\$1500).
Foster/Fry-passed unanimously
- F. The board approved the addition of 10 days to the contracts of Jaclyn Holley and Kristen Petruniw beginning in the 2026-2027 school year; the contracts will be 215 days.
Gorman/Foster-passed unanimously
- G. The board approved the hiring of Spencer Brown as OJN Treasurer effective for the 2026-2027 school year.
Foster/Gorman-passed unanimously

- H. The board approved Lindsay Knee as WMHS Instrumental Music Teacher at a salary of ~~\$48,750~~—\$ 47, 250 beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.
Fry/Foster-passed unanimously
- I. The board approved Kaitlyn Whinery as WMHS PCC & Computing Foundation Teacher beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.
Foster/Gorman-passed unanimously
- J. The board approved Drew Noland for a 3rd grade teacher effective for the 2026-2027 school year at a salary of \$42,300.
Fry/Foster-passed unanimously
- K. The board approved RaeAnn Homrich as WMHS Mathematics Teacher beginning in the 2026-2027 school year at a salary of \$59,750 and a hiring stipend of \$2,000 due to her ability to teach dual credit mathematics courses in the Wabash Early College Program.
Gorman/Fry-passed unanimously
- L. The board approved Chelsea Parson as WMHS English/Communication Teacher beginning in the 2026-2027 school year at a salary of \$43,300.
Fry/Foster-passed unanimously
- M. The board approved an increase to Brittany Fager's salary for the 2026-2027 school year for attainment of a bachelor's degree in human services - child and family welfare. Mrs. Fager's salary will be increased to \$35,700 for the next contract year.
Fry/Foster-passed unanimously
- N. The board approved the following resignations from the certified staff:
1) Monica Duarte as 3rd teacher effective May 29, 2026.
2) Heather McKee as WMHS 5th grade teacher effective May 30, 2026.
Foster/Gorman-passed unanimously
- O. The board approved the resignation of Lori Sisco as RISE Paraprofessional effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
Foster/Gorman-passed unanimously
- P. The board approved the following transfers from the certified staff:
1) Glorimar Rosello from 2nd Grade DLI to 3rd/4th Grade DLI.
2) Lilly White from O.J. Neighbours Elementary 3rd Grade to WMHS 5th grade beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.
Fry/Gorman-passed unanimously

- Q. The board approved the girls cross country team to take an out of state trip to Mammoth Cave on July 31, 2026 - August 2, 2026. This will be an overnight trip.
Gorman/Foster-passed unanimously
- R. The board to approved the lunch prices for 2026- 2027 school year as follows:
Breakfast at OJ, LH, WMHS \$1.25

Lunch at OJ & LHC \$3.00
Lunch at WMHS \$3.25
These price increases come to us as a recommendation from the state agency to help subsidize rising food and transportation costs.
Fry/Gorman-passed unanimously
- S. The board approved Ryan Short for our groundskeeper/mower position. This will be for up to 20 hours per week beginning in April each year through October. Hourly rate will be \$15.00 per hour.
Foster/Gorman-passed unanimously
- T. The board approved the following 2026 - 2027 Fall Coaches:
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| Girls Varsity Golf Head Coach | James Burns |
| Assistant Coach | Abby Smalley |
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Girls Cross Country Head Coach |
Katelin Lloyd |
| Assistant Coach | Derek Vogel |
| Volunteer Assistant Coach | Jacob Lloyd |
| Volunteer Assistant Coach | Rachel Hovermale |
|
Boys Cross Country Head Coach |
Ryan Evans |
|
Varsity Football Head Coach |
Ryan Carmichael |
| Volunteer Assistant | Floyd McWhirt |
| Assistant Coach | Jake Smith |
| Assistant Coach | Antonio Grant |
| Assistant Coach | Alex Corn |
| Assistant Coach | Sammy Hispskind |
| Academic Coach | Josie Philippy |
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Middle School Football Head Coach |
Bryant Miller |
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Summer Volunteer |
DaVon Osborn |

Summer Volunteer

Trevor Daughtry

Boys Soccer Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Volunteer Assistant Coach

Aiden Benysh
Matt Mindach
Bill Benysh

Girls Soccer Head Coach
Assistant Coach

Bailey Yeadon
Rylee Yoakum

Boys Tennis Head Coach

Justin Denney

Assistant Coach
Volunteer Assistant

Joel Cogdell
Brock Sizemore

Coed MS Tennis Head Coach
Fry/Foster-passed unanimously

Matt Zickafoose

- U. The board approved the hiring of Jeremy Webb for the food service delivery truck position, pending background check.
Foster/Fry-passed unanimously

- V. Superintendent Dr. Amy Sivley says I hope our students and staff have a great start to their summer vacation. I visited OJ's Summer Watch Me Grow program and the kids really seemed to be enjoying themselves. We have twelve incoming 1st graders, thirteen incoming 2nd graders, seventeen incoming 3rd graders, and seventeen incoming 4th graders.

I also want to give a huge shout out to the high school for an excellent graduation ceremony. I know that Ashley Wilcox plays a big part in the planning of the event so thank you to her. And congratulations to our 107 Class of 2026 graduates and good luck as you move into the next phase of your life.

- VI. No item from Administrators
VII. No Items from Visitors
VIII. Other Items from board members: Rhonda says the graduation was nice, and congratulations to the graduates. Jason says he hopes everyone enjoys the summer. No RDC Meeting. Joan Foster says at the Park Board Meeting the non-smoking ban was "shot down." Connie says the graduation was great. Kudos to Josh on the Early College at the Wabash Middle High School.
IX. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

President

Vice President

Secretary

Board Member

Board Member

June 9, 2026

On Tuesday, June 9, 2026 the Board of School Trustees, Wabash City Schools met in executive session at Wabash City Hall, 202 S. Wabash St., Wabash, IN. 46992. The meeting began at 6:35 p.m. and ended at 6:45p.m.

Present were: Board President Rhonda Hipkind, Board Vice-President Jason Fry, Board Members Joan Foster and Connie Gorman. Also present was Superintendent Dr. Amy K. Sivley, and Board Counsel Jordan Tandy. Absent was Board Secretary Jade Hall.

Topics discussed:

- I. Ind. Code 5-14-1.5-6.1(9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process.

It is certified that only those topics listed were discussed in the executive session.

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