

**School District of Westfield  
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of  
Westfield Area High School  
District Office Board Room B121  
N7046 Cty Rd M, Westfield, WI 53964  
October 15, 2025 - 6:00 pm**

*"Inspiring every student, through every experience, every day!"*

**Minutes**

*This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.*

- I. Mark McCartney called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Other Board Members present, Jerry Hebert II, Nick Coenen, Daniel Fenske, Natasha Peschel, and Tom Wastart. Val Katevska was absent. Michelle Johnson, District Administrator, and Veronica VanDerhyden, Business Manager, were also present.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Meeting notification-The meeting was properly noticed
- IV. Motion by Wastart/Hebert to approve the Agenda. Roll call vote 6-0, motion carried.
- V. Public Comment-There were no public comments.
- VI. District Administrator's announcements and reports (Michelle Johnson)
  - A. Third Friday Count Update
  - B. Updates on resignations, hires, and vacancies
    - 1. Hires: Kara Scroud-Cook/Floating
  - C: School Board Recognition Week October 5-11
- VII. School Board Members Announcements and Reports–Natashia Peschel talked about how well the tours went at the Open House at the Homecoming game.
- VIII. Committee Reports
  - A. Building/Finance
    - 1. Motion by Coenen/Hebert to list the fence around the old High School on WI Surplus. Buyers must supply a Certificate of Insurance-Liability prior to the buyer removing.
  - B. Policy/Vision/Curriculum - First Reading
    - 1. 0100 Definitions
    - 2. 0144.5 Board member behavior, communications, and code of conduct
    - 3. 0166.1 Copy of Consent Agenda
    - 4. 1461 Unrequested leaves of absence/fitness for duty
    - 5. 3432 Employee sick leave
    - 6. 4213 Student Supervision and Welfare
    - 7. 4281 Personal property of staff members-New

8. 4432 Employee sick leave
9. 5130 Withdrawal/dropout from school-New
10. 5310.01 Emergency nursing services/plan
11. 5411 Third-grade promotion and retention: At-risk students
12. 5113 Open Enrollment
13. 5464 Early graduation
14. 5505 Academic honesty-Slight change to add a bullet point to change grammar using AI would not be violating policy
15. 5530 Student use or possession of intoxicants, drugs, or paraphernalia
16. 6320 Purchasing
17. 7440.03 Small unmanned aircraft systems (drones)
18. 7450 Property inventory
19. 7455 Accounting system for capital assets
20. 7460 Conservation of natural and material resources
21. 8120 Volunteers
22. 8420 School safety and reporting of crime statistics
23. 8531 Free and reduced-priced meals
24. 8550 Competitive food sales

IX. Consent Agenda

- A. Review/ approve District Financial Statement, Payrolls, Vouchers #8343-8490, Fund 49 #490028-490042, ACH #252600017-252600031- and Activity Account Vouchers #14575-14586
- B. Review/approve the meeting minutes of 9/17/25 Regular Board Meeting, 10/6/25 Policy/Vision Committee Meeting
- C. Review/ approve Destinations Career Academy, Start College Now, and/ or Early College Credit Program.

D. Motion by Hebert/Peschel to approve personnel Recommendations

X. Items from the consent agenda to be individually considered- None

XI. Motion by Hebert/Peschel to approve the Consent Agenda 6-0, motion carried

XII. New Business

A. Motion by Wastart/Peschel to approve the Tax Levy and 2025-2026

B. Budget. Roll call vote 6-0, motion carried.

C. Motion by Wastart/Peschel to approve DC Adventure Trip, June 2026, as presented. Roll call vote 6-0, motion carried.

D. Motion by Peschel/Hebert to approve Certification of Acceptance of Donation of Real Estate in Stevens Point, WI by CESA 5. Roll call vote 6-0, motion carried

E. Motion by Wastart/Fenske to Approve FFA Trip To National FFA Convention. Roll Call Vote 6-0, motion carried.

XIII. Contemplated closed session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.85(1)(c): To review personnel compensation and leave requests.

XIV. Motion by Wastart/Fenske to enter into closed session. Roll call 6-0, motion carried.

XV. Motion by Hebert/Fenske to return to open session, voice vote 6-0, motion carried.

XVI. It was the consensus of the Board to approve the requested leave of absence, allowing the use of three personal days and up to two student contact days if students attend the scheduled events, with any additional time off taken as unpaid leave. Roll call vote, motion carried 6-0

XVII. Motion by Fenske/Peschel to adjourn, 6-0, motion carried.

*Recorder: Lori Gilbertson*