

**WESTLAKE CITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**Monday, November 27, 2023 – 6:00 P.M. Regular Meeting  
Hilliard Administrative Building, 24365 Hilliard Blvd., Westlake, OH 44145**

**1. Opening**

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A. Call to Order: 6:00 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Mrs. Pirnat	Present
Mrs. Leszynski	Present
Mr. Finucane	Present
Mr. Kraft	Present
Dr. Stoll	Present

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Westlake City School District Mission Statement

E. Westlake City School District Vision Statement

F. Acknowledgement of Visitors

G. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mr. Kraft    Seconded by Dr. Stoll

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

## **2. Informative Reports & Recognitions**

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- A. WES Presentation Grade 4 Music Enrichment and FabFriends
  
- B. District Social Worker Presentation
  
- C. Westlake Porter Public Library
  
- D. Superintendent's Report
  
- E. Treasurer's Report

## **3. Hearing of the Public (15 Minutes)**

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## **4. Approval of Minutes**

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- A. Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve the Following Minutes:

Special Meeting of October 3, 2023  
Work Session of October 9, 2023  
Regular Meeting of October 23, 2023

Voice Vote: 5 – 0

## 5. Approval of Library Trustee(s)

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### Resolution 23- 294

A. Resolution to Approve Westlake Porter Public Library Trustees

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education appoints the following Westlake Porter Public Library Trustees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term</u>
Lauren Golick	December 2023 - 2026
Peter Schindler	2024 - 2030

Moved by Mr. Kraft    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

## 6. Treasurer's Recommendations

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### Resolution 23- 295

A. Resolution to Approve Five-Year Forecast

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the five-year forecast.

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mrs. Leszynski

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 296**

B. Resolution to Approve the FY24 Permanent Appropriations

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the FY24 permanent appropriations.

Moved by Mr. Kraft    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 297**

C. Resolution to Issue Then and Now Certificates

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education authorizes Then and Now Certificates for the following purchase orders:

<u>PO No.</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2083	ESC of Cuyahoga County	IDEA Braille Services for 2023-2024	\$10,000.00
118185	Kids Link	Behavior Consulting Services	\$1,980.00
118318	Kids Link	Behavior Consulting Services	\$2,455.00
2147	PSI	Speech and Language Pathologist for Students in the Non-public School	\$7,000.00

Moved by Mr. Kraft    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 298**

D. Resolution to Approve Student Activity Purpose Statements and Budgets

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following Student Activity Purpose Statements and Budgets:

**2023-24 Purpose Statements and Budgets\***

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Object</b>	<b>SCC</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Estimated Revenue</b>	<b>Estimated Expenses</b>
200	800	9202	Asian-American Club- WHS	\$200.00	\$200.00
			<b>Total 200 Fund</b>	\$200.00	\$200.00

\*Original copies of Purpose Statements and Budgets are on file in the CFO/Treasurer's Office.

Moved by Mr. Kraft    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**7. Superintendent’s Recommendations**

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**Resolution 23- 299**

A. Resolution to Accept Gifts and Donations

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education accepts with gratitude the following gifts and donations and in so doing hereby acknowledges the positive and supportive activities of those listed:

Antionietta Boccardi 4791 Prestwick Crossing Westlake, OH 44145	Donated \$250.00 to Westside Connections at Westlake High School.
Stanley & Marcia Bullard 1864 Halls Carriage Path Westlake, OH 44145	Donated \$100.00 to Westside Connections at Westlake High School.
Robyn Foutty-Connor 3227 Royal Oak Ct. Westlake, OH 44145	Donated \$5.00 to Westlake City School District.

Moved by Mr. Finucane    Seconded by Mr. Kraft

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 300**

B. Resolution to Approve MOUs with WTA

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the Memorandums of Understanding between the District and the Westlake Teachers Association.

Moved by Mr. Finucane    Seconded by Mrs. Leszynski

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 301**

C. Resolution to Approve LPDC Members

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following licensed staff members for the Local Professional Development Committee (LPDC) for the 2023-2024 school year:

<b><u>LPDC Members - P-6</u></b>
Shelley Gedeon
Amy Schillinger

<b><u>LPDC Members - 7-12</u></b>
Melissa Barth
Paul Hammond
Christina Mars

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 302**

## D. Resolution to Approve Employment of Classified Staff Members

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the employment of the following classified staff members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Months</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Maria Greszler	Special Education Assistant	Dover Intermediate School	5	7	5	9	10/30/2023
Andrew Miller	Head Cook	Dover Intermediate School	5	8	5	9	11/02/2023
Katie Rankin	Cashier	Westlake Elementary School	7	3	5	9	11/07/2023

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 303**

## E. Resolution to Approve the Employment of Project link Personnel

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the employment of the following Project Link personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step/Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Christina Anderson	Project Link Instructor	0	10/30/2023
Kyle Harriger	Community Education Instructor	\$27.98 per hour	10/25/2023

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 304**

## F. Resolution to Approve Stipend for Certified Staff Members

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following certified staff members to be paid at the curriculum rate for work outside of contracted hours:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Not to Exceed</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Erika Sutton	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/30/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours	General
Brooke Kindell	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/30/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours	General
Brian Charkosky	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/30/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours	General
Abby Nixon	Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Training (08/01/2023 - 12/01/2023)	6 Hours	Title II-A

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 305****G. Resolution to Approve Stipend for Classified Staff Members**

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves a stipend to be paid at the hourly rate for the following classified staff members for work performed outside of contracted hours:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Purpose</u></b>	<b><u>Not to Exceed</u></b>
Emily Horowitz	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/20/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours
Rosanne Aulisio	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/20/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours
Natasha LaVolpa	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/20/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours
Callie Smith	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/20/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours
Meridyth Warnke	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/20/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours
Michelle Strong	Completion of Online Module for CPI Training (10/20/2023-11/06/2023)	3 Hours
Lisa Hunt	Prepare Materials for Student with Visual Impairments (10/01/2023-05/31/2024)	50 Hours

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 306**

H. Resolution to Approve After School Tutor

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following licensed staff member as an after school tutor, paid by ARP ESSER funds:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u>Not to Exceed</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Ann Hasenohrl	After School Tutor	Westlake Elementary School	\$27.98	5 hours per week	11/01/2023

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 307**

I. Resolution to Approve Team Leader Supplemental Contracts

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following licensed staff members for team leader supplemental contracts for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Angela Gerhan	WES Fourth Grade Team Leader (25% contract)
Christine Perry	WES Fourth Grade Team Leader (25% contract)
Kim Toncar	WES Fourth Grade Team Leader (50% contract)

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 308**

J. Resolution to Approve Activity/Club Supplemental Contracts

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following activity/club supplemental contracts for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>In District</u>
Alison Gregory	WES Evening Music Performance Director	6	Y
Julia Rieser	WHS Dance Team Advisor	3	N
Amy Schillinger	WES Evening Music Performance Director	5	Y

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 309****K. Resolution to Approve Athletic Supplemental Contracts**

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following athletic supplemental contracts for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>In District</u>
Robert Bowles	LBMS Basketball 8th Grade Boys Coach	2	N
Chelsea Cahill	WHS Gymnastics Head Coach	13	N
Elise Illius	WHS Bowling Assistant Girls Coach	0	N
Elizabeth Karban	WHS Diving Coach	13	N
Lauren Kriaris	WHS Basketball Assistant (JV) Girls Coach (50% contract)	0	N
John Relik	LBMS Wrestling Head Coach	5	N
Richard Karban	WHS Volunteer Diving Coach	n/a	N
William Primrose	LBMS Volunteer Basketball Girls Assistant Coach	n/a	Y
Abbey Wilcox-Samide	WHS Volunteer Swimming Coach	n/a	N

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 310**

## L. Resolution to Approve Athletic Supplemental Contract for Classified Staff Member

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves employment for the following classified staff member for a coaching contract as hourly employees, based upon the coaching stipend listed in the WTA Negotiated Agreement, for the 2023-2024 school year only:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u>Not to Exceed</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jennifer Ellingsworth	WHS Bowling Assistant Boys Coach	\$15.27	60.75 Hours	11/03/2023

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 311**

M. Resolution to Approve Athletic Event Game Workers

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following athletic event game workers for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Name</u>
Wendy Golski
Brogan Hartup
Dylan Kostell
Daniel Lammers
Matthew Planisek
David Ruschau
Donna Stephenson
Ronald Stephenson

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 312**

N. Resolution to Approve Licensed Substitute

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following Licensed Substitute for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Education Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Jaime Fischer	Long-Term Substitute Teacher	Westlake Elementary School	BA	0	11/16/2023 - 01/22/2024

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 313**

O. Resolution to Approve Employment of Classified Substitutes

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following classified substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year:

**Names**

Kelly Harrish
Nancy Whittington

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 314**

P. Resolution to Approve Volunteers

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following BCI/FBI background checked volunteers:

<b>Science Olympiad</b>
<b><u>Name</u></b>
Jen-Yi Chen
Brian Lomax

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 315**

Q. Resolution to Approve Contracts and Purchased Services

RESOLVED that the Westlake City School District Board of Education approves the following contracts and purchased services:

CONNECT: Internet Service Provider - Additional Bandwidth beginning January 1, 2024
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Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 316**

R. Resolution to Approve Overnight Field Trips

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following overnight field trips:

Science Olympiad
The Carnegie Mellon Invitational
Departure Date: Friday, January 19, 2024 @ 3:30
Return Date: Saturday, January 20, 2024 @ 11:30 pm
Transported by Baron Bus
Funds: Self Pay or Scholarship

OHSAA Spirit State Championship
Wittenberg University
Departure Date: Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 6:00 pm
Return Date: Sunday, December 10
Transportation: Students will be driven by parent volunteers.
Funding: Hotel and meals will be paid for by the Cheer reserve account.

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 317**

S. Resolution to Amend Resolution 23-264

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education amends Resolution 23- 254, changing Title III funds to General Fund.

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 318**

T. Resolution to Amend Resolution 23-277

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education amends Resolution 23- 277, changing Christine Del Priore’s work hours from 7 per day to 7.5 hours per day.

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**Resolution 23- 319**

U. Resolution to Amend Resolution 23-284

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education amends Resolution 23- 284, changing the number of hours for Academic Academy from not to exceed 5 to not to exceed 5 hours per week.

Moved by Dr. Stoll    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

**8. Hearing of the Public (15 Minutes)**

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**9. Board Comments**

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**10. Board Items**

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**Resolution 23- 320**

A. Resolution of Appreciation

**Whereas**, Dr. Robert Stoll has served as a member of the Board of Education of the Westlake City School District for eight years;

and **Whereas**, his leadership has been instrumental in the District being recognized by the State of Ohio as a leader in educational excellence as well as financial reporting distinction;

and **Whereas**, under Dr. Stoll’s tenure and support, the community passed a bond issue that built an elementary school that consolidated the four aging elementary schools in order provide 21st century learning environments to our Westlake students;

and **Whereas**, under Dr. Stoll’s leadership as Board Vice-President in calendar year 2020 and Board President in calendar year 2021, the District navigated an unprecedented Worldwide Pandemic;

and **Whereas**, his service, leadership and commitment has brought enduring benefits to the youth and citizens of the Westlake City School District;

and **Whereas**, his judgment, vision, and concern for the education of youth has been invaluable to the District in the fulfillment of its responsibilities;

**Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved** that the Westlake Board of Education adopts this “Resolution of Appreciation” commending Dr. Robert Stoll for his dedication and faithful service as a member of the Board of Education of the Westlake City School District, and does hereby express its sincere appreciation to him on behalf of the students, staff and citizens of the Westlake City School District.

**Further Be it Resolved** that this resolution be duly recorded and spread on the minutes, this 27th day of November, 2023, and the Treasurer is directed to deliver a copy of this Resolution to Dr. Stoll.

Moved by Mrs. Pirnat    Seconded by Mrs. Leszynski

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	Abstain

## 11. Executive Session

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A. Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Disciplining, Promotion, Demotion or Compensation of an Employee or Official

Moved by Mrs. Leszynski    Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

Enter Executive Session at 7:39 P.M.

B. Adjourn Executive Session and Return to Regular Session

Adjourn Executive Session and Return to Regular Session at 7:57 P.M.

Moved by Mrs. Leszynski    Seconded by Dr. Stoll

## 10. Closing

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A. Adjournment

Moved by Mrs. Pirnat    Seconded by Mrs. Leszynski

Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Leszynski	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE
Dr. Stoll	AYE

Meeting Adjourned at 7:57 P.M.

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President

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Treasurer

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