

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Wyoming City School District Board of Education
Tuesday, February 13, 2024
Central Office Conference Room**

I. Call to Order

Mrs. Zoller called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

II. 013-24 Roll Call

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mrs. Broderick, Mr. Feldmeier, Mr. Thomas, Mrs. Yee and Mrs. Zoller

Administration in attendance Tim Weber, Ronda Johnson, Suzy Henke, Ashley Whitely, Tracy Wurtzler, Gina Kirchner, and John Hill.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Zoller led the Pledge of Allegiance

IV. 014-24 Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Thomas made a motion to adopt the agenda.

Mrs. Yee seconded the motion.

Yea – Feldmeier, Thomas, Yee, Zoller, Broderick

Nay – None

Motion carried.

V. Expulsion Appeal Hearing of a regulated individual

Mrs. Zoller began the hearing and confirmed with Mr. and Mrs. Friesen that they wished to hold this hearing in public session. Mr. and Mrs. Friesen indicated that they did wish to hold the hearing in public session.

Mrs. Zoller swore in all who would offer testimony, including Mr. Weber, Dr. Whitely, Dr. Kirchner, Dr. Hill, Mr. Friesen, Mrs. Friesen, and Mr. Wickstrom. The parents are appealing a January 30, 2024 decision of the Superintendent to expel EF (the student) for 71 days pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3313.66 with 33 of the 71 days held in abeyance. The student is permitted to return to school on Monday, April 8, 2024 if all required steps are completed to the satisfaction of the Administration.

Mrs. Zoller reviewed the rules and procedures of the hearing and verified that all procedural safeguards and proper notices were provided. Mr. and Mrs. Friesen replied in the affirmative.

The Administration presented a binder of evidence and Dr. Hill began offering testimony. Dr. Hill testified that a pocket knife was found at approximately 1:30 on January 17, 2024 and upon asking the student, the student advised that the knife was his. Dr. Kirchner testified to the events of January 18th including a threat assessment, investigation interviews of the student, teachers and parents, and a mental health assessment of the student which all led to Dr. Kirchner's suspension of the student with a recommendation to the Superintendent for expulsion. Mr. Weber and Dr. Whitely testified to the expulsion hearing where all evidence was presented. After considering the evidence, Mr. Weber rendered the decision for a 71-day expulsion. Mr. Feldmeier, Mrs. Zoller and Mr. Thomas asked clarifying questions regarding therapy, whether an IEP existed, and why the student indicated he was bringing the

knife to school. Mr. and Mrs. Friesen asked clarifying questions regarding whether the student was reported to be defiant or aggressive by his teachers and Mr. Wickstrom asked questions about testing administered by the counselors. Mrs. Zoller asked a clarifying question about the threat assessment team.

Mr. and Mrs. Friesen presented three documents for evidence. Mr. Friesen shared information on previous counseling sessions and also discussed the student's report cards from grades 1-4. Mr. and Mrs. Friesen shared beliefs on the laws surrounding IEPs, 504s, and the required length of the blade of a knife. They highlighted interventions and suggested basis of knowledge. Mr. Thomas asked a clarifying question as to why the parents had not requested an evaluation for an IEP or 504 until now. Mrs. Zoller asked a clarifying question regarding interventions being part of the MTSS process. Mr. Wickstrom shared his beliefs that Mr. and Mrs. Friesen are good parents and since the student is still a growing child, the punishment was too severe.

Mrs. Zoller noted that the Board will deliberate in Executive Session and excused all parties.

VI. 015-24 Executive Session

Mr. Feldmeier moved to have the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to consider the discipline of a regulated individual. Mrs. Yee seconded the motion.

Yea – Thomas, Yee, Zoller, Broderick, Feldmeier
Nay – None
Motion carried.

The Board of Education entered Executive Session at 9:01 a.m.
The Board of Education returned from Executive Session at 9:40 a.m.
The Board of Education reconvened its regular meeting at 9:41 a.m.

VII. 016-24 Board of Education Decision

Mr. Feldmeier moved that the Board of Education find that the student, EF, violated the student code of conduct by bringing a dangerous object on school property. Mr. Feldmeier further moved that the Board of Education affirm the decision of the Superintendent to expel the student for 71 days (February 2 – May 23) with 33 days of the 71 days held in abeyance. Mr. Feldmeier further moved that the Treasurer provide the student and parents with written notice of the Board's action. Mrs. Broderick seconded the motions.

Yea – Yee, Zoller, Broderick, Feldmeier, Thomas
Nay – None
Motion carried.

VIII. 017-24 Superintendent's Report

A. Personnel

1. 2023-24 Resignation

Matt Oldham Winter Weightlifting Coach Effective January 26, 2024

2. 2023-24 Resignation for Retirement per attached

Jennifer Burgess Primary Administrative Assistant Effective July 31, 2024

3. 2023-24 Athletic Supplemental Contracts

Hancock, Aaron Weightlifting Coach From January 29, 2024 / \$39.17/day

Savage, Emma Girls Lacrosse Assistant / Reserve 7%
4. 2024 WHS Boys Baseball Camp Coordinator, Monitors, and Workers
Back, Aaron Volunteer Coordinator
Dunn, Charles Volunteer Monitor
Lawson, Caleb Volunteer Worker

5. 2023-24 Third Grade After School Reading Program
Frodge, Alex \$1395.50
Shiveley, Morgan \$1395.50

6. 2023-24 University of Cincinnati Mentor Stipend
Coomer, Laura \$800

B. 2024 WHS Boys Baseball Camp Volunteers per attached

C. Approve Superintendent's Report.

Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the Superintendent's Report.
Mrs. Yee seconded the motion.

Yea – Zoller, Broderick, Feldmeier, Thomas, Yee
Nay – None
Motion carried

IX. Discussion: 2023-24 Professional Development

Dr. Whitely provided an update on professional development during the 23-24 school year. She highlighted wellness wheels, safety, MTSS and value-added, AI engagement, and dysregulation of students.

X. Policy Review Discussion: Policies 0118.0 through 0141

In the interest of time, this discussion was moved to the next meeting.

XI. 018-24 Adjournment

Mrs. Yee moved to adjourn the meeting.
Mr. Thomas seconded the motion.

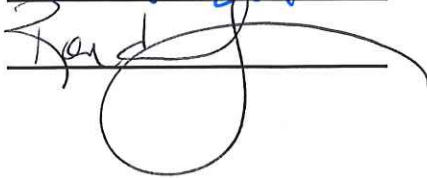
Yea – Broderick, Feldmeier, Thomas, Yee, Broderick
Nay – None
Motion Carried

The February 13, 2024 Board of Education Meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

Board of Education Meeting Minutes Approved by:



Jeanie Zoller, Board President



Ronda Johnson, Treasurer