

The Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Governing Board regular meeting was called to order at 5:41 p.m. on January 15, 2025 at the WBESC office with the following members present: Hazen Kennedy, Derek Miller, Vicki Smith, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II.
Others Present: Thomas Taylor, Superintendent and Tricia Taylor, Treasurer/CFO
Introduction of Guests: Dana Smith

Motion 1m 1-25 Board Agenda

Moved by Derek Miller and seconded by Vicki Smith to accept the Board Agenda with any additions and/or changes as presented. Voted yes: Hazen Kennedy, Derek Miller, Vicki Smith, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II. Motion passed: 5-0.

Motion 2m 1-25 Treasurer’s Consent Agenda

Moved by Kevin Wannemacher and seconded by Hazen Kennedy to approve the Treasurer’s Consent Items A-C.

Voted yes: Hazen Kennedy, Derek Miller, Vicki Smith, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II. Motion Passed 5-0.

- A. Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report, bills, and expenditures, with corrections, if applicable;
- B. Motion to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2024 regular meeting;
- C. Motion to approve permanent appropriations and revenue by fund for fiscal year 2025.

Motion 3m 1-25 Superintendent’s Consent Agenda

Moved by Hazen Kennedy and Seconded by Derek Miller to approve the Superintendent’s Consent items A- C. Voted yes: Hazen Kennedy, Derek Miller, Vicki Smith, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II. Motion passed 5-0.

- A. Motion to approve the recommended changes to board policy as recommended by NEOLA, Appendix A.
- B. Motion to approve the Registered Behavioral Technician salary schedule effective January 1, 2025, Appendix B.
- C. Motion to approve the employment of the following, pending proper paperwork and procedures are completed, if applicable;

Name	Position	Contract	Salary
Spieth, Kendra	Registered Behavioral Technician (In Training)	1 Yr. Non-Teaching Limited Contract (Amended)	\$20,618.78

Motion 4m 1-25

Moved by Hazen Kennedy and Seconded by Kevin Wannemacher to approve the 2024-2025 school year substitute list with changes/additions. Voted yes: Hazen Kennedy, Derek Miller, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II. Motion passed 4-0. Vicki Smith abstained.

Legislative Report

- Repeal of the Windfall Provision

Treasurer/Superintendent Discussion Items

- Board Appreciation Month
- June and August Board Meeting Dates - June 25 & August 13
- WBESC Professional Development Offerings
- Upcoming Financial Audit

Executive Session

- Moved by Derek Miller and seconded by Kevin Wannemacher to move into executive session at 6:25 p.m. and adjourn out of executive session at 7:35 p.m. Voted yes by: Hazen Kennedy, Vicki Smith, Derek Miller, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II. Motion passed 5-0. Action was taken.

Motion 5m 1-25

Moved by Hazen Kennedy and seconded by Derek Miller to accept the resignation of Thomas Taylor, Superintendent, effective July 31, 2025. Voted yes by: Hazen Kennedy, Vicki Smith, Derek Miller, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion 6m 1-25 Adjournment

Moved by Hazen Kennedy, and seconded by Derek Miller to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Voted yes by: Hazen Kennedy, Derek Miller, Vicki Smith, Kevin Wannemacher and William Poe II. Motion passed 5-0.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, **February 19, 2025** at the WBESC Office.

Treasurer/CFO

Board President