

WWG School Board Meeting

February 24, 2025

Walnut Grove 5:30 PM

Members present: Madson, Krick, Kuehl, Warner, Hansen, Kleven, Foster, Superintendent Woelber, Principal Woitalewicz, Jenniges and AD Klumper also present were Luke Nelson, Amy Herder, Carly McClellan and Tom Merchant. Absent: None

Madson called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Foster and seconded by Kuehl to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried

Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Krick to approve January 27, 2025, meeting minutes. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Warner to approve the claims, account balances, treasurer reports and vendor payments. Motion Carried

Visitor reports –

Old Business – Daycare updates

AD Klumper – The girls basketball won their first playoff game and will play Tuesday night in Worthington. The boys' basketball team will finish up their regular season on Monday with playoffs beginning on Saturday in Worthington. Our last home game on Friday night was well attended and was a successful fundraiser for the Skindeliens Family. We had halftime entertainment at every home game this year between elementary basketball, WWG dance team, Kelly's School of Dance and a dance team of elementary kids from WWG. Special thanks to the Westbrook Lions for taking tickets all season. Bob and Sally Nelsen and John Madson are so kind to volunteer their time at each home game taking tickets and helping count money. They are greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Leo Theisen for supervising the games that I can't be at when I am coaching. Jim Kleven, Anne Woelber, Reed Bakken, John Amundson, Robyn Hansen, Max Kicmal and Amy Swenson have been dedicated score table, shot clock, scoreboard and stat book help. Dan Klumper and Jake Jenniges have been commentating on our live streamed games. Rick Haberman from Tracy is training to take over commentating for the girls' basketball games for next year. Thank you to all the local businesses who chose to advertise with us this year on the livestream and our score table. We appreciate the support you give to the school which funds the POWER program and funds the Student Council. We have a great community! Congratulations to Natalie Wahl who won Sub Region 9 Triple A Award and will move on for consideration at the state level. She was recognized at the final home game last Friday. She will be recognized at the Boys State Basketball Tournament as well. Natalie also broke a career steals record for WWG Girls Basketball. Leah Carter was recently named KNUJ Player of the Week and broke a single season rebounds record. Hudson Jenniges broke the WWG boys' basketball all-time score record.

Mr. Jenniges – February 6 - 5-6th grade sang the National Anthem. February 14 - Logger Wrestling Fundraiser. February 19 - Middle of the 3rd Quarter. February 21 - 3-4th grade National Anthem (Aidan

Skindelien fundraiser) - Thank you to the committee who organized this event. February 27 - 9th grade reading with 1st grade / staying for lunch. February 28 - Charger Pals. Begindergarten letters have been sent to families. ELC Transition starting in March - Para scheduling, transportation. Spelling Bee changes for 2025. Spring field trips are starting to find their way onto the calendar. ADSIS application. Pathways application

Principal Woitalewicz – Mid-term 2nd Semester on 2/19 a. 59 names on the list (highest number of the year). Class Trip update - 15 confirmed senior students attending the class trip over Easter Break, trip cost coming in at \$1613.93, almost all seniors have their trip fully funded (one left). Senior chaperones are looking to book a hotel in the cities the night before, so students don't have to leave school at 2am morning of. This could become commonplace as it is a practical solution to a yearly problem. High School Conferences - Tuesday, March 18 from 3:30pm to 7:00pm. Upcoming professional development for teachers is on March 24th. Bringing in educator Joe Manfre to talk about best practices in grouping students and peer to peer learning.

Superintendent Woelber –

- Transportation: vans
- Food Service: summer lunch (yes or no)
- Administrative updates – Class Trip
- Shared Services

Enrollments (January)

Prek – 57	4 th grade – 28	8 th grade – 31
Kindergarten – 47	5 th grade – 41	9 th grade – 29
1 st grade – 24	6 th grade – 39	10 th grade – 43
2 nd grade – 41		11 th grade – 35
3 rd grade – 39	7 th grade – 32	12 th grade – 21

PreK – 6 enrollment total – (259+57) = 316

7th – 12th grade enrollment total – 191

Total – 507 (PreK -12)

- Staffing: Trying to keep the staff we have and work with attrition and no new additional hires
- ReadAct training ongoing and additional legislation for extended time
- Legislation (no money above inflation) (deadlocked Rep/Dem) (Mandate relief is iffy)

Board Reports and recognition of donors/supporters

- **Thank you to the Community support for the Skindelien family.**

New Business

Motion made by Kuehl and seconded by Hansen for the approval of 2025 - 2026 school calendar.
Motion Carried

Motion made by Foster and seconded by Krick to approve the amendment to Mr. Woelber's contract to end health insurance enrollment February 28th and for the district to pay the max allowable HSA amount in 2025. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Warner to approve \$1,600 District expense for Mr. Woelber to drive the bus and assist with chaperoning the 2025 class trip.

Motion made by Warner and seconded by Kleven for the approval of updated staffing notes

- Tyson Crosby for assistant football.
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Information - begin the process for an August election for a bond for parking lot renovation in Westbrook and roofing on all three facilities.

- School Bond (Summers of 2026 & 2027) Vote August 2025
 - Roofing in WG \$1,100,000
 - Concrete sidewalk WG to / from playground \$ 25,000
 - Roofing in WB \$ 800,000
 - Parking lot in WB \$ 800,000

Information - Summer 2025 Projects

- Projects (Summer 2025)
- WG opening space around offices in band room \$ 6,000
- WG Storage shed and bathroom at WG ball diamond
- WB Doorway or window to Darin's room. \$12,500?
- WB Bathrooms remodel by the gym
- WB enclosure around the dumpsters at main campus.
- WG Carpet squares in the elementary music room.
- WB Construction of a crow's nest behind home bleachers
- WB update both Locker room bathroom fixtures
- Landscape the front of the WG school/North side of the tech campus. \$ 1,000
- Wall coverings in the Westbrook gymnasium

Adjourned 6:11pm

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Foster
Board Clerk