

WELLINGTON EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION  
McCormick Middle School - Dining Hall  
September 17, 2024  
6:00 P.M.

President Ratliff called the meeting to order by asking for a roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Babb, Kazmierczak, Shellhouse, Mohrman, Ratliff

Absent: None

#24-228 APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Motion was made by Kazmierczak and seconded by Mohrman to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

Yes: Kazmierczak, Mohrman, Babb, Shellhouse, Ratliff

No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

#24-229 MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion was made by Kazmierczak and seconded by Shellhouse to approve the minutes of the Board Retreat Monday, August 5, 2024 and Tuesday, August 6, 2024, the Regular Session conducted on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, Special Sessions conducted on Monday, August 26, 2024, Tuesday, August 27, 2024 and Tuesday, September 3, 2024.

Yes: Kazmierczak, Shellhouse, Babb, Mohrman, Ratliff

No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

PRESENTATION

1. McCormick Middle School PBIS Update - Bobby Figuly, Nathan Morris, Jamie Wade and McCormick students.
2. FMX Software Update - John Bowman

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS - See Attached Reports

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Vickie Rutherford, Melissa Gorski, Kristin Kaiser and Laura Irvain all spoke against LifeWise.

REPORTS

1. Athletic Council – J. Kazmierczak/J. Babb – The committee will be meeting in October.
2. Finance – J. Kazmierczak/P. Mohrman – The committee will meet in October.
3. Strategic Planning – P. Mohrman/J. Babb – The committee will meet after the Five Year Forecast is done.
4. Policies and Communications – J. Kazmierczak/P. Shellhouse – The committee will meet on Friday at 3:00 p.m. Future meetings via zoom from 12-1:30 p.m. will be held: October 9, 2024, December 11, 2024, February 12, 2025 and April 9, 2025.
5. Endowment – P. Mohrman – The Endowment held a meeting last week and discussed round two of grants. The Endowment did approve two new grant requests, to be Board approved tonight.
6. OSBA Liaison/Student Achievement Liaison – A. Ratliff - An OSBA handout was distributed on understanding the Sunshine Law. They also discussed the new laws passed.
7. J.V.S. Board – A. Ratliff – The JVS is celebrating Manufacturing Month in October. There are currently 1,278 students enrolled in the JVS.

#24-230 APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ITEM

Motion was made by Mohrman and seconded by Shellhouse to approve the following financial item:

1. Financial Statements for August 2024.

Yes: Mohrman, Shellhouse, Babb, Kazmierczak, Ratliff

No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

Operations Update (attachment handed out at meeting)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO BOARD

#24-231 APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Kazmierczak and seconded by Babb to approve the following items:

1. Retirement:

- a. Brenda Bosley - Retirement as Title I Teacher at McCormick Middle School effective October 25, 2024 after 21 years of service to the Wellington Exempted Village School District..

2. Resignations:

- a. Melissa Carver - Resignation from Cafeteria Monitor at Westwood Elementary School effective September 6, 2024.

3. Leave of Absence:

- a. Paula Staffeld - Intermittent Family Medical Leave beginning August 23, 2024. Sick leave to run concurrently with FMLA;
- b. Tricia Farr - Family Medical Leave beginning August 26, 2024 for approximately 12 weeks. Sick leave to run concurrently with FMLA;
- c. Hayley Sleggs - Family Medical Leave beginning approximately November 6, 2024 for approximately 12 weeks. Sick leave to run concurrently with FMLA.

4. Salary/Hours Adjustments:

- a. Adjust the salary of George Rosekelly from Teacher BA+30 (EL14) at 67% to Teacher BA+30 (EL14) at 84% for the 2024/2025 school year;
- b. Certified Staff - Based upon additional university training:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>OLD TRAINING LEVEL</b>	<b>NEW TRAINING LEVEL</b>
Jennifer Barlow	MA	MA+15
Daniel Gundert	BA	BA+15
John Howells	BA	BA+15
Catherine Selzer	BA	BA+15
Shannon Thome	MA	MA+15
Allison Zitek	BA	MA

5. Employment:

- a. Authorize a Stipend of \$1,000.00 for Susan Souhrada to be the Wellness Champion for the School District during the 2024/2025 school year (paid from the Wellness Fund #001.9355);
- b. Hire Debbie Kimmich as Substitute Secretary on an as-needed basis for the 2024/2025 School Year effective August 1, 2024 at a rate of \$22.62 per hour;
- c. Hire William Mohler (Student) as a Technology Intern on an as-needed basis at a rate of \$13.00 per hour - not to exceed 20 hours per week, effective August 26, 2024 through May 30, 2025;
- d. Award a One (1) - Year Classified Employment Contract for Bryce Wylie as Cafeteria Monitor (EL0) at McCormick Middle School for the 2024/2025 school year effective August 28, 2024 pending receipt of Student Monitor Permit;
- e. Award a One (1) - Year Classified Employment Contract for Nicole Casper as Cafeteria Monitor (EL0) at Westwood Elementary School for the 2024/2025 school year effective August 28, 2024;
- f. Award a One (1) - Year Classified Employment Contract for Melissa Carver as Cafeteria Monitor (EL0) at Westwood Elementary School for the 2024/2025 school year effective August 26, 2024;
- g. Award a One (1) - Year Classified Employment Contract for Lori Bradstock as Cafeteria Monitor (EL0) at Westwood Elementary School for the 2024/2025 school year effective September 18, 2024 pending receipt of background checks and Student Monitor Permit;
- h. Approve Bryant Santee as Event Manager at a rate of \$50 per event as an addition to the Wellington Seasonal Athletic Event Position rates and employees for the 2024/2025 school year;
- i. Supplemental Contracts for the 2024/2025 school year:

<b>SUPPLEMENTAL</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>DIFFERENTIAL</b>
7th Grade Football Coach	Joe Saunders	EL8+
Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach	John Fell	EL7
Freshman Volleyball Coach (paid at 8th Grade coaching rate)	Morgan Lehmkuhl	EL0
8th Grade Volleyball Coach	Megan Birchfield	EL7
Varsity Football Volunteer	Nicholas Laposky	NA
Resident Educator Coordinator	Katie Custar	EL8+

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Buddy Teacher for John Howells	Rob Howells	EL0
Buddy Teacher for Cassidy Keys	Laura Gallatin	EL0
Buddy Teacher for Nick Laposky	Joe Saunders	EL0
Buddy Teacher for Jan Powalie	Kerry Trefz	EL0
Buddy Teacher for Emily Rich	Katie Custar	EL0
Buddy Teacher for Emily Schmitz	Shannon Thome	EL0
Buddy Teacher for Jamie Wade	Claire Frantz	EL0
Resident Educator Mentor for Cassidy Keys	Kim Foster	EL0
Resident Educator Mentor for Nick Laposky	Joe Saunders	EL0
Resident Educator Mentor for Jan Powalie	Kerry Trefz	EL0
Resident Educator Mentor for Emily Schmitz	Shannon Thome	EL0
Resident Educator Mentor for Jacob Walters	Katie Custar	EL0
LPDC Chair	Sherry Arcuri	EL1
Westwood K-Kids Advisor (50%) - Grades 1-2-3	Cathy Kurtz	EL8+
Westwood K-Kids Advisor (50%) - Grades 1-2-3	Sarah Gardner	EL2
McCormick K-Kids Advisor (50%) - Grades 4-5	Cathy Kurtz	EL8+
McCormick K-Kids Advisor (50%) - Grades 4-5	Sarah Gardner	EL2
McCormick Builders Club Advisor (50%) - Grades 6-7-8	Tracy Strait	EL3
McCormick Builders Club Advisor (50%) - Grades 6-7-8	Barbara Hill	EL2
MMS Student Activity Committee Advisor (50%)	Paula Staffeld	EL8+
MMS Student Activity Committee Advisor (50%)	Jaqueline Woods	EL8+
Jr. High Student Council Advisor (50%)	Caitlin Hartley	EL3
Jr. High Student Council Advisor (50%)	Wendy Shivak	EL2
McCormick Drama Club Advisor	Emily Campofredano	EL8+

Junior High Choir	Sherry Arcuri	EL4
WHS Student Council Advisor	Christen Lewis	EL2
WHS Key Club Advisor	Katie Woods	EL7
High School Class Advisor - Freshman	Susan Souhrada	EL2
High School Class Advisor - Sophomore	Katie Woods	EL2
High School Class Advisor - Junior	Susan Souhrada	EL7
High School Class Advisor - Senior	Tracy Strait	EL1
National Honors Society Club Advisor	Janet Powalie	EL0
Otaku Anime Club Advisor	Holly O'Daley	EL8+
WHS Newspaper Club Advisor	Holly O'Daley	EL2
Gay Straight Alliance Club Advisor	Holly O'Daley	EL2
ROX Club Advisor	Holly O'Daley	EL2
WHS Yearbook Club Advisor	Kaitlin Krajcik	EL6
WHS Choir Director	Sherry Arcuri	EL8+
WHS Pep Band Director	Tyler Lehman	EL0
WHS Drama Advisor	Emily Campofredano	EL8+
WHS Assistant Drama Advisor	Dottie Cianciola	EL1

- j. Hire the following after school tutors at \$30.00 per hour on an as-needed basis; Martha Abram, Shelby Beck, Ericka Cole, James Feliciano, Holly Hosack, Bryan Policz and Wendy Shivak effective for the 2024/2025 school year.

Yes: Kazmierczak, Babb, Shellhouse, Mohrman, Ratliff

No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

#24-232 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION, CONTRACT AND FIELD TRIP

Motion was made by Kazmierczak and seconded by Mohrman to approve the following resolution, contract and field trip:

1. Resolution:

- a. Approve the Removal and Disposal from Inventory of miscellaneous items no longer in working condition (see attachment).

2. Contract:

- a. Approve the Service Agreement with the Educational Service Center of Lorain County to provide Play-Based Assessments for Five (5) preschool children for a total cost of \$5,707.51.

3. Field Trip:

- a. Approve the Off Campus Educational Experience for McCormick Middle School and Wellington High School FFA students to attend Versailles High School for an FFA Conference on October 19, 2024.

Yes: Kazmierczak, Mohrman, Baab, Shellhouse, Ratliff

No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

#24-233 APPROVAL OF GRANTS, SALES PROJECTS AND DONATIONS

Motion was made by Shellhouse and seconded by Baab to approve the following sales projects/donations/grants to be approved and if necessary the establishment of fund, appropriations, budget and revenue accounts:

1. Grants:

- a. TC Energy - 4th Grade Science Classes - Computer Science Integration - \$14,650.00;
- b. Wellington Schools Endowment Grants:
  1. NYC Broadway Drama Club Field Trip - Emily Campofredano - \$5,000.00;
  2. 4th & 5th Grade Center for the Arts Inspired Learning - Megan Birchfield, Jaque Woods, Ericka Cole - \$4,368.00

2. Sales Projects:

- a. Westwood Library - Scholastic Book Fair
- b. McCormick Library - Scholastic Book Fair
- c. McCormick Drama Club - Spring Production
- d. Jr. High Student Council - Sweetest Day Carnation Sale
- e. WHS Drama Club/Community Theater - Holiday Show
- f. WHS Drama Club/Community Theater - Spring Musical

- g. WHS Drama Club/Community Theater - Broadway Fashion Show
  - h. WWD/MMS/WHS - Spirit Wear Sale
3. Donations:
- a. Mary Seliga donated \$200.00 toward student lunch debt;
  - b. An anonymous donation of \$5.00 was received toward student lunch debt;
  - c. Dr. Janet Kubasak purchased crayons for the Back to School Bash valued at \$127.80;
  - d. Tammy Koleski of Wee Care Closet donated a variety of school supplies, water bottles, lunch bags, and books to the Westwood Dukes Care Closet valued at \$11,196.25;
  - e. Boys and Girls Club of Northeast Ohio donated forty-five laptops, two clever touches with motorized stands, two laptop carts, two printers and a projection system to be repurposed at Westwood Elementary and McCormick Middle Schools valued at \$68,900.00;
  - f. Wellington Head Start donated various school supplies, toothbrushes, hand sanitizer, emergency phone number magnets and mini first aid kits to the Back to School Bash valued at \$200.00;
  - g. Dan Goodwin of the Class of 1984 donated \$250.00 to the Wellington Exempted Village School District Athletic Department;
  - h. Friends of Sheriff Stammitti donated \$1,000.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - i. Querin Apartments donated \$100.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - j. Brighton Township donated \$200.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - k. Jordan Family Farms donated \$100.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - l. Visual Products donated \$100.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - m. Wellington Implement donated \$50.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - n. Forest City Technologies donated \$75.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - o. The Farmer's Savings Bank donated \$100.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - p. Vidika Law, LLC donated \$250.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - q. Dr. William Spreng donated \$100.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - r. Sheila and Robert Holmes donated \$50.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - s. Daniel and Cindy Kodosky donated \$50.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - t. Steven and Marcee Maurer donated \$200.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club;
  - u. Edward Weber donated \$100.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club.

Yes: Shellhouse, Babb, Kazmierczak, Mohrman, Ratliff  
No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

#24-234 APPROVAL OF DONATIONS

Motion was made by Shellhouse and seconded by Mohrman to approve the following donations:

1. Donations:

- a. Ayers Ratliff purchased envelopes, labels, copies and postage for the 2024 K-Kids mailing for a total donation of \$209.25;
- b. J.C. Ratliff Attorney at Law donated \$100.00 to Wellington K-Kids service club.

Yes: Shellhouse, Mohrman, Babb, Kazmierczak

Abstain: Ratliff

No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

Total Donations = \$83,663.30

Year-to-Date Total of Donations for 2024/2025 School Year = \$88,663.30

BOARD AGENDA AMOUNT APPROVED

**YEAR-TO-DATE TOTAL OF DONATIONS FOR 2024/2025 SCHOOL YEAR =  
\$90,205.90 CORRECT AMOUNT**

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - Mr. Ratliff stated this has been one of the best Board meetings we have had in a long time.

#24-235 APPROVAL TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Mohrman and seconded by Kazmierczak to move to Executive Session at 8:39 p.m. per the Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing by division.

Yes: Mohrman, Kazmierczak, Babb, Shellhouse, Ratliff

No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

#24-236 APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Motion was made by Mohrman and seconded by Babb to return to Regular Session at 9:38 p.m..

Yes: Mohrman, Babb, Kazmierczak, Shellhouse, Ratliff  
No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

COMMENTS OR STATEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS - Mr. Ratliff stated he does not agree that all principals are not required to be at the Business Meetings.

FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

- A. Tuesday, October 8, 2024, Work Session, 6:00 PM, Westwood Elementary School;
- B. Tuesday, October 15, 2024, Business Meeting, 6:00 PM, Westwood Elementary School and via Zoom.

#24-237 ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Shellhouse and seconded by Mohrman to adjourn the Regular Session at 9:43 p.m.

Yes: Shellhouse, Mohrman, Babb, Kazmierczak, Ratliff  
No: None

President Ratliff declared this motion passed.

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Board President

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Treasurer

Note: There is no audio recording of this meeting.