

VAN WERT CITY SCHOOLS
Board of Education Meeting
Wednesday, July 23, 2025 - 5:00 p.m.
First Federal Lecture Hall
Niswonger Performing Arts Center
10700 State Route 118, Van Wert, OH 45891

Our Vision

In partnership with our community, Van Wert City Schools will ensure that all students develop the knowledge, skills, and attributes they need to thrive in post-secondary education, careers and civic life.

Our Mission

Van Wert City Schools will continue to be a source of Cougar Pride while providing each student a quality education through innovative instructional methods and technology.

AGENDA:

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
- III. Recite our Vision / Mission
- IV. Public Participation

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes of public participation will be permitted at each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board will give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted three (3) minutes until the total time of thirty (30) minutes is used. During the period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board.

- V. Set Agenda
- VI. Treasurer's Section
 - A. Business and Records
- VII. Assistant Superintendent's Section
- VIII. Superintendent's Section
- IX. Board Member Section/Reports from Board Representatives (discussion only)
 - A. Vantage Board Report
 - B. VWAPAF Report

- C. VWASIG
- D. Athletic Council
- E. Safety Team

X. Resolutions

(all items may be voted on in one motion)

- A. Accept the resignation of Tricia Ridenour, gifted intervention specialist, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 contract year, as presented.
- B. Approve a one-year leave of absence for Joshua Early, elementary school intervention specialist, effective the 2025-2026 contract year, as presented.
- C. Approve Joshua Capetillo as a custodian/maintenance worker, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met, effective July 21, 2025, as presented.
- D. Approve the rehire of Roland Alvarez as a high school intervention specialist, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met, effective the 2025-2026 contract year.
- E. Approve Amy Foreman as a long-term substitute elementary intervention specialist, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met, effective the 2025-2026 contract year, as presented.
- F. Approve a supplemental contract for Kannen Wannemacher as high school girls head tennis coach, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met, effective the 2025-2026 contract year, as presented.
- G. Approve Early Childhood/Elementary/Middle School/High School/School at the Goedde cafeteria prices for 2025-2026 as presented.
- H. Approve a supplemental contract with William Clifton for Stadium Renovation Construction Management, effective August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026, pending all board policies pertaining to employment are met, as presented.
- I. Approve a new substitute teacher rate of pay of \$110 per day effective the 2025-2026 school year.
- J. Approve an overnight trip/stay as presented:
 - 1. High School Band Camp - 61 students and 18 adults to Huntington University, Huntington, IN; July 21-25, 2025, as presented.
- K. Approve the Student Activity Budgets for fiscal year 2026 as presented.
- L. Approve the minutes from the regular Board meeting held on June 25, 2025.
- M. Approve the monthly financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.
- N. Approve a Professional Services Agreement for behavioral health services with Westwood Behavioral Health Center, effective August 1, 2025 to June 1, 2026, as presented.
- O. Approve the Internship Agreement pursuant to a school psychology internship with Miami University, effective the 2025-2026 school year, as presented.
- P. Approve the transfer of \$44,822.00 (10% of June 30, 2025 Athletic Department cash balance) from Fund 300-9210 to Fund 070-9210 (Athletic Department Capital Projects Fund).
- Q. Acknowledge the following charitable groups, entities, and individuals for their generous donations to the Van Wert City Schools:
 - 1. United Way of Van Wert County, Inc. - \$1,534.50 to Van Wert School at the Goedde
 - 2. United Way of Van Wert County, Inc. - \$3,750.00 to Family and Children First
 - 3. United Way of Van Wert County, Inc. - \$1,500.00 to Middle School STEM
 - 4. Central Insurance / Willow Bend Country Club - \$1,600.00 to Athletic Department
 - 5. Braun Industries, Inc. - \$200.00 to Girls Soccer Activity Fund
 - 6. Van Wert Moose Lodge 1320 - \$1,000.00 - Eggerss Stadium Paver Tribute
 - 7. The Van Wert County Foundation - \$6,400.00 on behalf of the following grant funds:
 - a. Fred W. and Kathleen M. Wollenhaupt Memorial Fund - \$755.06 to Van Wert Career Education (CEO) Program

- b. Kenneth and Jeanne W. Koch Memorial Fund - \$3,099.47 to Van Wert Career Education (CEO) Program
- c. David J. and Sue Williams Memorial Fund - \$45.47 to Van Wert Career Education (CEO) Program
- d. Richard G. and A. Kaye Bagley Memorial Endowment Fund - \$500.00 to HS Civic Education (We the People) Fund
- e. Glen Elwood Book Memorial Fund - \$2,000.00 to the Goedde Principal's Fund - Christmas at the Goedde

XI. This is to inform the Board of Education that the following employee(s) will be advanced on the payscale, due to additional college coursework, effective the 2025-2026 school year:

A. Josiah Poletta - Bachelor's to Bachelor's+10

XII. Acknowledge notification from the City of Van Wert of residential CRA applications as presented:

A. Phadom LLC

- 1. 330 Davis St., Van Wert, OH 45891
- 2. 332 Davis St., Van Wert, OH 45891
- 3. 910 Hughes St., Van Wert, OH 45891
- 4. 912 Hughes St., Van Wert, OH 45891
- 5. 1008 George St., Van Wert, OH 45891
- 6. 1010 George St., Van Wert, OH 45891

The next scheduled regular meeting is Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.
in the First Federal Lecture Hall at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center.