

**West Muskingum Board of Education**  
**Agenda**  
**August 14, 2025**  
**West Muskingum Administration Center, 5:00 p.m.**

**Board Members:**

Dan Ankrum, Marcus Farley, Julie MacLaine, Bryan Melsheimer, Ab Vousden

**Note:**

This is a meeting of the Board of Education for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting. The portion of the meeting which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to 30 minutes. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question a board member individually. All cellphones should be turned off during board meetings.

Citizens of the West Muskingum School District and employees who wish to speak with the Board are requested to keep items presented as brief as possible. Items are limited to five minutes. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.

**Call to Order:**

**Pledge:**

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Mr. Farley \_\_\_\_ Mrs. MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Mr. Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Mr. Vousden \_\_\_\_

**Additions to the Agenda:**

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

**Public Participation:**

**Presentations:**

**I. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**1. Minutes of previous meeting(s) - Attachment**

Recommendation to approve the minutes from July 10, 2025, regular board meeting.

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

2. **Financial Report** - Attachments

Recommendation to approve the July 2025 financial reports as presented.

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

3. **Appropriation and Amended Certificate Modifications**

Recommendation to approve the Appropriation and Amended Certificate Modifications as presented.

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

4. **Discussion Item(s)**

Student Wellness and Success and DPIA Funding Plan

II. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – PERSONNEL**

1. **Resignation(s)**

Recommendation to approve the following resignation(s):

- William Scheide, Bus Driver, effective end of 2024-2025 school year
- Madison Middleton, WMHS Counselor, effective July 31, 2025
- Kelsie Alexander, Cheer Coach Volunteer, effective August 11, 2025.

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2. **Classified New Contract(s) FY26**

Recommendation to approve the following classified contract(s), salary based on negotiated contract, pending proper certification of personnel requirements:

- Mary Beth Jones, WMES 3.5 hr. Cook

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3. **Classified Assignment Change(s)**

- Mary Smith, WMES Day Shift Custodian, to WMHS Day Shift Custodian, effective August 4, 2025.

4. **Classified Contract Change(s)**

Recommendation to approve the following classified contract change(s):

- Jacob Hammonds, WMHS Afternoon Custodian, to WMES Day Shift Custodian, effective July 31, 2025
- Christy Bateson, Floater Bus Driver (5 hr.), to Bus Route 21(5 hr.), effective 2025-2026 school year

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5. **Supplemental/Limited 3313.53 Contract(s) FY26**

Recommendation to approve the following Supplemental/Limited 3313.53 Contracts for the 2025-2026 school year, pending proper completion of personnel requirements:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary/Stipend</u>
Thomas Crowley	Head Baseball Coach	\$3,958.10
Andy Ruetz	Head Band Director	\$5,541.34
Josh Whetstone	Head Vocal Music	\$5,541.34
Olivia Drabik	Assistant Volleyball Coach	\$2,374.87
Melisa Smith	Freshman Volleyball Coach	\$1,583.24
Matt Weingarth	Assistant Boys Soccer Coach	volunteer
Benton Mowery	Assistant Cross Country Coach	volunteer
Morgan Cooper	Assistant Cross Country Coach	volunteer
Allie Berry	Assistant Girls Soccer Coach	\$2,374.87
Parker Farrell	Assistant Girls Soccer Coach .5 FTE	\$1,187.44
Emma Williams	Assistant Girls Soccer Coach .5 FTE	\$1,187.43

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6. **Gate Workers - Fall Sports**

Resolution to authorize the employment of the necessary temporary game workers for athletic events and the authorization to compensate for those personnel as needed, per approved hourly rates:

Amy Johnson	Mark Johnson	John Kelley
Monica Davis	Tina Jones	Sally Harris
Kayleigh Willison	John Crawford	Linda Porter
Ann Thorne	Ann Howard	Kylee Martin
Jessica Baker		

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7. **Leave(s) of Absences**

Recommendation to approve FMLA leave for the following employee(s). FMLA request will include paid leave of absence until depletion of accrued sick, personal leave. If applicable, remainder of FMLA will be unpaid leave.

- Christy Gutridge, Paraprofessional

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8. **WMLSD Classified Substitute List**

Recommendation to approve the following addition(s) to the WMLSD Classified Substitute List as maintained by the Superintendent's Office. Additions will be approved monthly as needed (pending proper completion of personnel requirements).

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Chris Fountaine	Custodial; Cook/Cashier	August 15, 2025
William Scheide	Bus Driver/Bus Aide	August 15, 2025

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**9. MVESC Master Certificate Substitute List**

Recommendation to approve the August 2025 MVESC Master Certificated Substitute List as approved and prepared by the Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center.

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

**10. 2025-2026 Bus Routes - Attachment**

Recommendation to approve bus routes as submitted by Jeffery Fowler, Director of Operations.

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

**11. Licking Rehabilitation Services, Incorporated**

Recommendation to approve the agreement with Licking Rehabilitation Services, Inc. to provide occupational therapy and related services for student(s) with special needs for the period of August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2028.

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**12. Board Policy Update (first and second readings) – Attachment**

Recommendation to approve the board policy update IGBLA. Earlier this year, OSBA released policy IGBLA, Promoting Parental Involvement, to comply with new Ohio Revised Code (RC) 3313.473, which requires that districts adopt a policy to promote parental involvement in the public school system by July 1, 2025. Board policy IGBLA was approved on May 15, 2025. OSBA has updated the policy for clarity regarding the statutory exceptions in RC 3313.473 related to disclosures.

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**13. Title I Non-Public**

Recommendation to approve the Title I Non-Public Contract, per FY26 grant allocation requirements.

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

**14. Donations**

Recommendation to approve the following donation(s):

- Robert Daniels to West Muskingum FFA Program - \$283.00

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## 15. Discussion Items

### II. Board Member Reports and Concerns

- a. Legislative Report
- b. Mid-East Career and Technology Center Report
- c. Facility Committee Report
- d. Policy Committee Report

### III. Executive Session

WHEREAS boards of education and other governmental bodies are required by statute "to take official action and to conduct all deliberations upon official business only in open meetings, unless the subject matter is specifically excepted by law";

WHEREAS "the minutes need only reflect the general subject matter of discussions in executive session", and

WHEREAS the members of a public body may hold an executive session only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of consideration of any of the matters set forth below.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED under the provisions of ORC 121.22, the board hereby enters executive session for the reason(s) herein stated:

- \_ personnel matters
  - o appointment of employee(s) (re-employment)
  - o promotion or compensation
  - o dismissal, discipline, or demotion of employee(s) or student(s)
  - o investigation of charges or complaints of employee(s) or student(s)
- \_ consider the purchase of property for public purposes
  - o sale of property at competitive bidding, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantages to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest
- \_ conference with an attorney to discuss matters which are subject of pending or imminent court action
- \_ preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees
- \_ matters required by federal law or state statutes to be confidential
- \_ specialized details of security arrangements

Motion: Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

§ Time entered executive session: \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

§ Time returned to public session: \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

Roll Call: Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_

**IV. Adjournment**

Meeting Adjournment at \_\_\_\_ P.M.

Ankrum \_\_\_\_ Farley \_\_\_\_ MacLaine \_\_\_\_ Melsheimer \_\_\_\_ Vousden \_\_\_\_