WOOD DALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 7
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Wood Dale School District 7
Administration Office
543 N. Wood Dale Rd., 2nd Floor
Wood Dale, Illinois 60191

Board of Education 7 Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. - Merilyn F. Daniels Boardroom

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL/QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Miljkovic called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and directed the recording secretary to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Snyder, Lucero-Bahr, Botello, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, and Papadopoulos.

Absent members: None.

Also present were: Dr. Shannon Dudek, Superintendent; Mrs. Elvia Villalobos, Curriculum Director; Mr. Christopher Blomquist, Business Manager; Ms. Cristina Montano, Board Clerk; Mr. Al Buttimer, Principal; Dr. Theresa Ulrich, Principal; Mrs. Melissa Favata, Principal; Mr. Gus Gonzalez, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds; Mr. Bill Thoms, Teacher/WDEA President; and Mrs. Liliana Azabache, Teacher.

III. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Welcome to a New School Year Staff Day - Dr. Dudek announced that teachers and staff returned to work for the 2025/26 school year on Thursday, August 14th. He provided information regarding the activities that took place. Dr. Dudek also expressed his gratitude to the summer school staff, custodians, bus drivers, district office support staff, school secretaries and health clerks, technology department, as well as the Administrators, for all the hours they put in over the summer months to assist in preparing for the first day of school.
- Freedom of Information (FOIA) Requests - The Board received two FOIA requests from: (1) Owen Wang, Lake County Gazette, requesting a list of all graduates from the last five years; and (2) Ms. Marie Moltisanti requesting information regarding asbestos/other hazardous material inspections reports and most recent water testing report(s). These requests were all filled within the required timeline.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments from the audience.

V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING MINUTES, FINANCIAL REPORTS AND PERSONNEL REPORT

1. **Approval of Minutes**
   a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes June 12, 2025
2. **Approval of Financial Reports**
   a. Treasurer's Report for June & July 2025
   b. Budget Status Report for June & July 2025
   c. Bills Payable for July & August 2025
   d. Approved Payroll for June & July 2025 and bills for August 2025 as summarized herein:

Payroll	6/25 & 7/25	$2,270,057.34
Bills Payable	7/25 & 8/25	$1,516,219.24
Totals		$3,786,276.58

3. **Approval of Personnel Report for the Month of August 2025**
   a. Employment - ratified the employment of **Lily Rosado**, Art Teacher @ OB/WV, **Rachel Anderson**, Instructional Coach @ Districtwide, **Jodie Mandik**, Teacher @ WV, **Christina Dellaquila**, Teacher @ WV, **Lina Santellano**, Paraprofessional @ OB, **Jacqueline Velazquez**, Teacher @ JH, **Aleyda Arnold**, Bilingual Paraprofessional @ OB, **Maci Minarcik**, Social Worker @ ECEC, **Esmeralda Rios**, Teacher @ OB, **Alvaro Luna Hoyos**, Bilingual Paraprofessional @ OB, **Diana Kosmach**, Lunch Supervisor @ OB, **Mabelyn Tzunun Davila**, Bilingual Paraprofessional @ OB, **Maria Hernandez Santana**, Paraprofessional @ WV, and **Noemi Herrera**, Paraprofessional @ WV effective 8/19/25..
   b. Resignation - accepted the resignation of **Mia Antczak**, Social Worker @ ECEC effective last day of teacher attendance, **Daniella Rodriguez**, Teacher @ JH effective 6/27/25, **Sylwia Potaczek**, Teacher @ WV effective 7/8/25, **Michelle Odonnell**, Lunch/Playground Supervisor @ OB effective 7/24/25, **Najwa Algarni**, Paraprofessional @ ECEC effective 7/27/25, and **Imelda Castillo Torres**, Health Clerk @ JH effective 8/1/25.
   c. FMLA (for informational purposes only) - **Claudia Arreguin,** Special Education Secretary @ EC intermittently from 7/3/25-7/3/26.
   d. Change of Position - **Lauren Ross**, from part-time Math Intervention @ JH/WV to Full-time Math Intervention @ JH for the 25-26 school year.

Mr. Woods requested that the Bills for August, 2025 be removed from the Consent Agenda and be voted on separately.

It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the board approve the consent agenda (with the exception of the August, 2025 Bills) for the month of August, 2025.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Botello, Snyder, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, Lucero-Bahr, and Papadopoulos.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Ms. Snyder that the board approve the bills for August, 2025.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Botello, Snyder, Lucero-Bahr, Miljkovic, and Fletcher-Gomez.
Nays – Woods and Papadopoulos. Motion carried.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. **Enrollment Status Report** - Dr. Dudek provided up to date enrollment information. Next month when the enrollment is settled, he will include enrollment trend data for the last three years.

B. **Summer School Report** - Dr. Dudek provided the board with a brief summary of the 2025 Summer School Program. Board members had previously received a written summary regarding the program.

C. **Annual Report on Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation & Harassment** - Illinois State law and Board Policy (7:180) requires the administration to provide the Board with an annual evaluation of the outcomes and effectiveness of the Bullying Policy. The Principals gathered and analyzed data regarding bullying at all the schools over the 2024/25 school year. Mr. Buttimer provided a report on behalf of all the Principals. As required by Illinois State law and Board Policy the report was posted on the district website after it was presented to the Board of Education.

D. **Presentation of 2025/26 Tentative Budget** - Mr. Blomquist presented the 2025/26 tentative budget. The tentative budget will be on display to the public for 30 days prior to the September Budget Hearing/Board meeting when the Board will be asked to provide their final approval of the budget.

E. **Monthly Financial Update** - Mr. Blomquist provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District.

F. **Informational Items & Communications** - Notices and dates to remember were provided regarding upcoming school district events.

- August 19 — Emergency School Closure Day-Power Outage
- August 19 — Rescheduled First Day of Classes for Grades K-8
  WV 5th Gr Bring Your Parents to School Night 6:30-7:30pm
  School Board Meeting 7pm
- August 20 — WV 4th Gr Bring Your Parents to School Night 6:30-7:30pm
- August 21 — WV 3rd Grade Bring Your Parents to School Night 6:30-7:30pm
  OB Parent Information Night 6-7pm
- August 22 — JH Picture Day
  ECEC Parent Orientation AM Session 9:30am/PM Session 10:30am
- August 25 — ECEC First Day of School
- August 27 — Band Sign-up at WV 4-7pm
  JH 6th Gr back to School Family Night 6:30-7:30pm
  JH 7th/8th Grade Back to School Family Night 6:30-7:30pm
- August 28 — District Office Picture Day 8:30am-10am
- September 1 — Labor Day – No School
- September 2 — New Family Welcome Night @ OB Playground 5-7pm
- September 3 — JH Vision & Hearing Screenings
- September 4 — WV School Picture Day
  JH PTO Organization Meeting 6:30pm
- September 5 — JH Back to School Dance 7-9pm
- September 9 — OB Fall Picture Day
  OB/WV PTO Meeting @ OB 6:30pm
- September 10 — EC Vision & Hearing Screening
  OB/WV PTO Back to School Picnic @ OB 4-7pm
- September 11 — EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screening 3-5pm
- September 17 — OB Vision & Hearing Screenings
- September 23 — Board Meeting 7pm
- September 24 — WV Vision & Hearing Screenings
- September 25 — EC Parent Information Night 6-8pm

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports for the month of August 2025.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval of 2025/26 Tentative Budget** - It was moved by Mrs. Botello and seconded by Mrs. Papadopoulos that the Board approve the 2025/26 Tentative Budget.

   Roll call vote: Yeas – Papadopoulos, Fletcher-Gomez, Botello, Snyder, Lucero-Bahr, Woods, and Miljkovic. Nays – None. Motion carried.

IX. CLOSED SESSION - It was moved by Ms. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Lucero-Bahr, Papadopoulos, Snyder, Miljkovic, Botello, Fletcher-Gomez, and Woods. Nays – None. Motion carried.

The board went into closed session at 8:00 p.m.

The board came out of closed session at 8:25 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs.Papadopoulos to adjourn the meeting. After a voice vote President Miljkovic declared the motion carried.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

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Aida Miljkovic, President Elitsa Papadopoulos, Secretary