

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Woodrow Wilson Elementary School  
Thursday, January 22, 2026  
6:30 p.m.**

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Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge

Board President called meeting to order

Roll Call

Roll Call: Gary Sieczkarek – President – excused  
James Stachewicz – Vice President  
Stephanie Dombrowski – excused  
Jennifer L. Kregg  
Denise McCowan  
Zachary Smith  
Racheal Tarapacki

Motion by R. Tarapacki seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 9, 2025.

Approve Minutes

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December, 2025 as submitted.

Approve Reports

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by R. Tarapacki, to approve the Student Activities Report and School Lunch Report for the month of December, 2025.

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the Appropriation Status Report and the Revenue Report for the period ending December 31, 2025 as submitted.

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by R. Tarapacki, to suspend the reading of each Warrant payment and to approve payments for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Special Aid Fund and Capital Fund as submitted.

Approve Payments

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Mr. Wayne Drescher, Business Manager – 2026-2027 Budget Update

Presentations

Mr. Christopher Farrell, JFK Middle School Principal & Mrs. Jessica Emmerling, Director of Special Education & Student Services-Early Warning System (EWS) at JFK Middle School

Student Representative – monthly highlights for each school

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by R. Tarapacki, to accept the resignation of Katherine Palmiter as the Boys' Varsity Tennis Head Coach, effective December 4, 2025.

Resignation:  
K. Palmiter

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to accept the resignation of Caitlin Rupp, School Nurse at John F. Kennedy Middle/High School, effective January 9, 2026.

Resignation:  
C. Rupp

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by R. Tarapacki, to accept the resignation due to retirement of Catherine Sobota, School Nurse at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, effective January 17, 2026.

Retirement:  
C. Sobota

Motion Carried 5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

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Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to accept the resignation due to retirement from Julie Curtiss, Elementary Education teacher at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, effective June 30, 2027.

Retirement:  
J. Curtiss

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by R. Tarapacki, to accept the resignation due to retirement from Tarrie Battaglia, Elementary Education teacher at John F. Kennedy Middle School, effective June 30, 2027.

Retirement:  
T. Battaglia

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by R. Tarapacki seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the list of teaching substitutes as submitted.

Approve  
Substitutes

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the recommendation from the CSE/CPSE as submitted.

CSE/CPSE

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by Z. Smith to approve the following field trip request:

Field Trip

- Amy Michelle Struzik and the Fifth Grade Team to take their students to the *Bisons Kids' Day* game on May 28, 2026 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Cost to the District: 3 buses.

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the following fundraising requests:

Fundraisers

- JFK Middle School and High School Choruses to hold an Ecoscents Candle sale from January 28, 2026 through February 11, 2026. Profits will be used for their field trips and chorus T-shirts.
- JFK High School Class of 2026 and Class of 2027 to hold a Krispy Kreme fundraiser from March 2, 2026 through March 13, 2026 (delivery will be on March 18, 2026). Profits will be used to offset the costs of senior year activities.
- JFK Middle School National Jr. Honor Society to hold a Valentine fundraiser during *Kindness Week*, February 2, 2026 through February 13, 2026. They will sell bottled water and Hershey Kisses for \$2.00. Profits will be used toward their induction ceremony, projects, and events.

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by R. Tarapacki seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the request from Elizabeth Zaccarine and deem the furniture submitted as obsolete and dispose of the same.

Obsolete  
Equipment

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by R. Tarapacki, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the first reading of the updated policies as submitted and listed below. The second reading and adoption are scheduled to take place on February 24, 2026: Policy #5413, 5674, 5681, and 7522.

First Reading  
Updated  
Policies

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Motion by J. Kregg seconded by Z. Smith, to go into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. for the employment history of a particular person and matters leading to the appointment of a particular person.

Executive  
Session

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by R. Tarapacki, to adjourn from Executive Session and resume regular order of business at 8:22 p.m.

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by R. Tarapacki, to adjourn this meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Knaebe  
District Clerk