

**West Muskingum Board of Education**  
**Agenda**  
**May 14, 2026**  
**West Muskingum Administration Center, 5:00 p.m.**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The West Muskingum Board of Education will hold a public hearing on May 14, 2026, at 4:45 p.m. to allow for comment on the use of IDEA, Part B Funds.

**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:**

Teacher of the Year Recognition – District Teacher of the Year will be announced.

- Jodie Bates – WMES
- Dee Ann Mell – WMMS
- Kelsey Middleton – WMHS

## I. TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Recommendation to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2026, regular board meeting.

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

### 2. **Financial Report** - Attachments

Recommendation to approve the April 2026 financial reports as presented.

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

## II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – PERSONNEL

### 1. **Retirement(s)**

Recommendation to approve the following retirement(s).

- Dee Ann Mell, WMMS Teacher, effective end of FY26 school year

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

### 2. **Resignation(s)**

Recommendation to approve the following resignation(s).

- Breanna (Hines) Garber, WMES Paraprofessional, effective end of FY26 school year
- Mary Beth Jones, WMES Cook, effective end of FY26 school year
- Brady Harrison, WMHS Principal, effective July 31, 2026
- Nathan Brownrigg, WMHS Teacher, Assistant Athletic Director, Credit Recovery, effective July 31, 2026
- Adam Foltz, WMHS Teacher, effective July 31, 2026
- Jeremy Ketcham, WMHS Teacher, effective July 31, 2026

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### 3. **Administrative Renewal Contract**

Recommendation to approve the following administrative contract(s)

- Danielle Kinsey, WMES Principal, for a three (3) year (204-day contractual year), effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2029.
- Rick Theisen, Maintenance Foreman, for a three (3) year (260-day contractual year), effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2029.

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4. **Administrative New Contract**

Recommendation to approve Brady Harrison as the Assistant Superintendent for a two (2) year, 260-day contract, effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2028.

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

5. **Administrative New Contract**

Recommendation to approve Adam Foltz as the West Muskingum High School Principal for a two (2) year, 220-day contract, effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2028.

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

6. **Administrative New Contract**

Recommendation to approve Nathan Brownrigg as the West Muskingum High School Dean of Students/Assistant Athletic Director for a two (2) year, 220-day contract, effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2028.

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

7. **Administrative New Contract**

Recommendation to approve Jeremy Ketcham as the West Muskingum High School Athletic Director for a two (2) year, 220-day contract, effective August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2028.

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

8. **Leave(s) of Absence**

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

- Paula Davis, Bus Driver – effective April 14, 2026

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9. **Unpaid Leave**

Recommendation to approve unpaid leave for the following employee(s). Any unused personal and birthday days will be used before unpaid leave.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Christina Woodside	WMMS Teacher	May 14, 15 & 18, 2026

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

**10. Certified Contract Renewal(s)**

Recommendation to approve the following certified contract renewals, salary based on negotiated contract and salary pay scales:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Building</u></b>	<b><u>New Contract</u></b>
Brittany Agnor	WMES	2nd one (1) year
Virginia Clark	WMES	five (5) years
Morgan Dailey	WMES	five (5) years
Alaina Dougherty	WMES	2nd one (1) year
LeAnne Dunn	WMES	five (5) years
Melissa Gould	WMES	five (5) years
Erin Kennedy	WMES	two (2) years
Kendra Lucas	WMES	three (3) years
Michele Merriam	WMES	five (5) years
Brianna Moore	WMES	2nd one (1) year
Joseph Pachuta	WMES	two (2) years
Alyssa Schneider	WMES	three (3) years
Ashley Smith	WMES	two (2) years
Allison (Alli) Underwood	WMES	2nd one (1) year
Lauren Vensil	WMES	five (5) years
Ryan Barks	WMMS	five (5) years
Zachery Durfee	WMMS	three (3) years
Madeline Gaskill	WMMS	three (3) years
Olivia Simon	WMMS	2nd one (1) year
Cole Smith	WMMS	two (2) years
Trudy Tuttle	WMMS	two (2) years
Alexis Wilfong	WMMS	three (3) years
Wesley Woodie	WMMS	2nd one (1) year
Angela Hammond	WMHS	2nd one (1) year
Amy Kennedy	WMHS	three (3) years
Tracie Moore	WMHS	five (5) years
Lacie Murphy	WMHS	five (5) years
Sabrina Van De Bussche	WMHS	two (2) years
Trysten Van Fleet	WMHS	two (2) years
Darrin Vensil	WMHS	five (5) years
Alaina Weiner	WMHS	2nd one (1) year
Kaitlyn Zumbro	WMHS	2nd one (1) year

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**11. Certified New Contract(s) FY27**

Recommendation to approve the following new FY27 certified contract, salary based on WMEA negotiated contract and salary pay scales, pending proper completion of personnel requirements:

- Rebecca Smith, WMHS Science Teacher

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**12. Certified Assignment Change(s) FY27**

- Amy Kennedy, WMHS Family & Consumer Science Teacher to Intervention Specialist pending proper certification

**13. Classified New Contract(s) FY27**

Recommendation to approve the following FY27 classified contract(s), salary based on negotiated contract, pending proper certification of personnel requirements:

- Macie Ashcraft, WMES Secretary, 208-days
- Karen Moon, WMHS Cook/Cashier, 3.5 hours
- Jessica Willett WMMS Cook/Cashier, 3.75 hours

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**14. Supplemental/ Limited 3313.53 Contract(s) FY27**

Recommendation to approve the following Supplemental/Limited 3313.53 Contracts for the 2026-2027 school year, pending proper completion of personnel requirements:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary/Stipend</u>
Rebecca Bowman	BLT - WMES	\$1,731.60
Abby Melsheimer	BLT - WMES	\$1,731.60
Kelly Wohlgamuth	BLT - WMES	\$1,731.60
Michelle Rooney	BLT - WMES	\$1,731.60
Alyssa Schneider	BLT - WMES	\$1,731.60
Tracie Moore	BLT - WMHS	\$1,731.60
Sean Stevens	BLT - WMHS	\$1,731.60
Darrin Vensil	BLT - WMHS	\$1,731.60
Amy Johnson	BLT - WMMS	\$1,731.60
Wesley Woodie	BLT - WMMS	\$1,731.60
Andrew Dent	BLT - WMMS	\$1,731.60
Alexis Wilfong	BLT - WMMS	\$1,731.60
Ann Howard	EMIS Coordinator	\$2,000.00
Andrew Ruetz	Head Band Director	\$5,762.99
Cole Smith	Head Boys Basketball Coach	\$6,174.65

Christopher Huff	Head Boys Golf Coach	\$4,116.42
Ryan Barks	Head Boys Soccer Coach	\$4,116.42
Michele Shirer	Head Cross Country Coach	\$4,116.42
Nathan Brownrigg	Head Football Coach	\$6,174.65
Joshua Middleton	Head Girls Basketball Coach	\$6,174.65
Darrin Vensil	Head Girls Golf Coach	\$4,116.42
Courtney Kuhn	Head Girls Soccer Coach	\$4,116.42
Joshua Whetstone	Head Vocal Music	\$5,762.99
Trysten Van Fleet	Head Volleyball Coach	\$4,116.42
Mackenzie Hill	Varsity Cheerleading Advisor (Fall)	\$1,646.57

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**15. Extended Days Contract(s) for FY27**

Recommendation to approve the following contracts for extended days, per WMEA Negotiated Agreement:

- Thomas Crowley, WMHS School Counselor – 10 days
- Jeremy Ryan, WMHS Agriculture Teacher – 20 days

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**16. 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>
Gregory Dodson	Bus Driver; Bus Aide	May 15, 2026
Jim Drake	Bus Driver; Bus Aide	May 15, 2026

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**17. MVESC Master Certificate Substitute List**

Recommendation to approve the May 2026 MVESC Master Certificated Substitute List as approved and prepared by the Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center.

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

### III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

#### 18. Graduating Class of 2026

Recommendation to approve the West Muskingum High School Class of 2026 for graduation, upon completion of all state and local requirements:

Jase Agin	Wyatt Harry	James O'Donnell
Debra Allen	Zachary Havens	Lucian Pepple
Ashton Ansel	John Herrera	Sydney Perry
Nicholas Anton	Maria Hill	Braxten Pisula
Luke Armstrong	Kameron Insley	Kohen Pollock
Tavin Bennett	Kylee Jenkins	Cade Porter
Caden Bowen	William Jenkins	Kyle Porter
Teriauna Brandford	Riley Johnson	Jaxson Prang
Madison Bresett	Rhyder Jones	Noelle Pringle
Alijah Brooks	Grant Kennedy	Alexis Rauch
Peyton Brown	Tyler Kepler	Braelynn Rodeheaver
Braxton Brownrigg	Ty Knaup	Jesse Savage
Adalyn Burkhart	Silas Kuhn	Noah Schoonover
Acelynn Burton	Andrew Lewis	Minh-Lien Scott
Maya Campbell	Hayleigh Lightle	Jessica Shawger
Brody Campbell	Nickalus Magers	Colton Shover
Nicole Caton	Myleeigh Mayle	Rebecca Shreve
Kyler Chapman	Madison McConnell	Austin Staffey
Stella Clark	Chevy McCoy	Lucas Stant
Kaiden Claypool	Benjamin McCune	Jaleigh Stoneburner
Hailey Cooper	Makenzie McHenry	Ronin Swope
James Cotton	Kennadi Mills	Lucy Thorne
Sage Dailey	Zaylie Mills	Jayden Thornton
Candice Davis	Dominic Mingus	Hollee VanDusen
Jaden Dilbeck	Kaedence Mohler	Madison Vollmer
Bret Dover	Opal Mohr	Carter West
Hanna Erhardt	Breyonna Moody	Jazlynn Williams
David Evans	Addison Morris	Michael Wilson
Kyndall Fountain	Breanne Morris	Zackary Wilson-Hartley
Ethan Garber	Sienna Murphy	Jadyn Winegardner
Joseph Godwin	Nora Neff	Elle Winland
Wyatt Griffith	Carter Newsom	Alyse Woodside
Gabrielle Hammer	Heath Norman	Jadalyn Zakany

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**19. Delta Dental Group Healthcare Plan**

Recommendation to approve a two-year contract for the period June 1, 2026 through May 31, 2028, with Delta Dental for the group dental plan with the following premium rates:

Single \$43.33

Family \$112.03

Employee rate change will be effective for July 2026 coverage period.

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

**20. School Bus Safety Dash Cameras**

Recommendation to approve the contract with Complete Bus to install dash cameras on 17 yellow buses. Partial funding to be provided by State of Ohio School Bus Safety Grants.

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

**21. Ohio School Plan**

Recommendation to approve Ohio School Plan/Hylant as the District property, fleet, cybersecurity and liability carrier for the period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

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

**22. WMMS/WMHS School Hours**

Recommendation to approve an additional fifteen (15) minutes to the beginning of each instructional school day at the Middle School and High School, effective FY27.

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

**23. Pepsi Contract**

Recommendation to approve the G&J Pepsi Agreement effective June 1, 2026 through May 31, 2031.

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

**24. Damon Industries Contract**

Recommendation to approve the Damon Industries contract for 1 year, effective July 1, 2026.

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

**25. Paging System**

Recommendation to approve the contract for the WMHS Paging System upgrade from SoundCom.

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

**26. Technology Procurement**

Recommendation to approve the Elementary instructional technology purchase of 38 Professional Chromebooks.

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

**27. Board Policies – Attachment**

Recommendation to approve the 1st and 2nd reading for the following Board Policies:

- EDEC Artificial Intelligence

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

**28. Donations**

Recommendation to approve the following donation(s):

- AMG Vanadium to WMHS Math & Science Department for STEM related activities- \$1,500.00.
- Zanesville YMCA to WMHS; 5 mirrors for Weight Room improvement

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

**29. Discussion Items**

**IV. Board Member Reports and Concerns**

- A. Legislative Report
- B. Mid-East Career and Technology Center Report
- C. Facility Committee Report
- D. Policy Committee Report

**V. 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 \_\_\_

## VI. **Adjournment**

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

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