

Wishram School District 94
Board Minutes
03/20/2026

BOARD MEETING

School Board Directors attendance: School District employees in attendance:

Christina Patten-Rowan Mary (Betsy) Barnhart Aireann Duke	Tye Churchwell Sarah Hathaway Brent Cameron Student - none available
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- Call to Order and Welcome Guests - 4:00
- Pledge of Allegiance by
- Questions/comments from the audience -
- Roll Call -

A. Duke motioned to excuse Clyde Rosa and Jeff Augustus due to schedule conflicts. M. Barnhart seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- Changes or Additions to the Agenda:

M. Barnhart motioned to add a Personnel item to New Business. A. Duke seconded the motion. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- The Superintendent expressed appreciation to Betsy Barnhart for her assistance over the past two weeks. The District is transitioning to Qmlativ. Student of the Month and Attendance Awards were recognized.

The District was awarded several grants. The FP 252 Grant will support HVAC and air improvements in the CTE area, gym, and kitchen. The FP 507 Grant awarded \$100,000 for security upgrades, including controlled entrances, with additional funds to be used for camera upgrades if available. The Healthy Kids, Healthy Schools Grant (Form Package 505) awarded \$149,000 for new drinking fountains, bottle fillers, a cafeteria fountain, and a picnic table cover.

Outdoor School planning is underway in collaboration with the Discovery Center and DNR, including development of day trips and a middle school/high school field trip. The Superintendent and staff met with the ESD 112 Director of Early Learning regarding ECAP

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education on March 2. The Small Schools Conference was attended March 15-17.

The estimated cost for stage curtain replacement exceeds \$10,000. Updates on the Small District Modernization Grant include completion of system training, arrival of chiller parts, and scheduling of installation by PUD in June.

The Superintendent discussed the financial impact of unfunded mandates, noting an estimated annual budget impact of approximately \$24,000 due to the difference between substitute costs and apportionment.

The District is working with ESD 112 to develop a reunification template for Klickitat County schools.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

- Mr. Cameron reported on recent events at the school including field trips and events at the school. Reported that student conferences had a good turnout with about 90% of parents attending.

Legislative Report

- M. Barnhart elaborated on the budget cuts that are impacting high poverty schools such as Wishram.

Old Business

New Business (Board Action)

OATH OF OFFICE -POST NOVEMBER 2025 ELECTION

- Christina Patten-Rowan - completed
- Aireann Duke - completed

The Board acknowledged that due to administrative oversight, the Oath of Office for Directors Christina Patten-Rowan, Aireann Duke and Jeff Augustus elected/re-elected in November 2025, was not re-executed at the start of their new terms. The Directors have continued to serve in their duly elected capacities, and the Oath of Office was administered on 3/20/2026 and will be filed with the Klickitat County Auditor.

STATE AUDITOR - ANNUAL AUDIT 2024-2025

S.Hathaway reported on the completion of the State Auditor's completion of the 2024-2025 fiscal audit.

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PERSONNEL (added to agenda)

Vacancies created by the resignation of the Title/LAP teacher resulted in the following internal requests:

AIDAN KOBECK ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS - SUBMITTED INTEREST IN MOVING TO THE 4TH/5TH GRADE TEACHER POSTION. Ms. Kobeck currently holds and Secondary ELA endorsement and will complete the ESD112 1-YEAR program to acquire the Elementary Education endorsement by the end of the 2026-2027 school year.

ERIN RATLIFF 4/5TH GRADE TEACHER - SUBMITTED INTEREST IN MOVING TO THE KINDGERGARTEN/1ST GRADE TEACHER POSTION. Ms. Ratliff holds a current Elementary Education endorsement.

M.Barnhart motioned to approve the transfer of Ms. Kobeck to 4th/5th and Ms. Ratliff to K-1.

A.Duke seconded the motion.

Motion passed

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A.Duke motioned to approve the 2/24/2026, board meeting minutes

M.BARHNAHRT seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

• **Consent Agenda**

- a. Voucher approval-review of monthly bills
- b. Budget Status Report
- c. Payroll

	WARRANT NUMBER	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND		
	37116-37119	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	37120-37141	\$ 32,188.04
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PAYROLL	37144	\$ 5,519.03
PAYROLL VENDORS	37145-37158	\$ 47,966.18
PAYROLL FUNDS XFER		\$ 138,857.58
	TOTAL PAYROLL	\$ 192,342.79
ASB FUNS		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	2262	\$ 54.85
	2263	\$ 61.98
		\$ 116.83
CAPITAL PROJECTS		
	530-531	\$ 46,453.62
TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE FUND		

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*M.Barhnhart motioned to approve the consent agenda in its entirety.
A.Duke seconded the motion
Motion Passed*

POLICIES

WSSDA RELEASE 8/2025- SECOND READING
3241/3241P - **Student Discipline**
3241F1
3241F2
3241P

The new discipline rule drafted by OSPI took effect July 11, 2025. The new WSSDA policy is intended to transform complex language into a practical tool that supports effective and legally sound student discipline practices

*A.Duke motioned to approve the second reading of the above listed policies as written
M.Barnhart seconded the motion
Motion passed.*

FIRST READING - 12/2024 RELEASE
ESSENTIAL
5400 - Personnel Leaves
3210/3210P - Nondiscrimination
ENCOURAGED
5010/5010P - Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

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A.DUKE Motioned to approve the *FIRST READING* of the above listed policies
M.BARNHART Seconded the motion.
Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss an update from the District's legal counsel litigation or potential litigation. RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

Duration: 15 minutes

Start: 4:44

End: 4:51

No actions or decisions during executive session.

re-enter open session 4:51PM

AKOLADES:

Ms. Barnhart recognized A.Duke for her attendance at the Small Schools Conference representing Wishram School.

She also recognized Mr. Cameron for his efforts during conference week.

- **Adjournment TIME:** 5:54PM

Tye Churchwell

Signer ID: 3YNJBLL15

Tye Churchwell, Board Secretary

Betsy Barnhart

Signer ID: 1NEWVUSQ15

Board Chair or Designee