

**WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

**Regular Voting Meeting – August 17, 2026
High School Cafeteria**

[Zoom Video Link](#)

6:30 pm

AGENDA

I. Call to Order by Board President

II. Roll Call

III. Pledge of Allegiance – Mission Statement – Audio/Video Recording Statement

Mission Statement

Washington School District is committed to educating ALL students under the guidance of our dedicated staff members. We provide our learners with lifelong tools to navigate a course toward growth and advancement while collectively supporting and celebrating student, staff and community achievement.

Audio/Video Recording Statement

Portions of tonight’s public Board meeting will be audio and/or video recorded in accordance with Policy No. 006.

IV. Executive Session – *The Board met in executive session prior to the start of tonight’s meeting to discuss personnel issues. No action was taken.*

V. Opportunity for Public Participation in Accordance with Policy No. 005

In accordance with Washington School District Policy No. 005 entitled “Public Participation at Meetings”, this public participation session shall not exceed 20 minutes. **Any individual resident may make comments not to exceed three minutes.** Any resident who wishes to address the Board should have submitted to the President of the Board or to the Board’s Secretary a written statement including their name and address, the name of the group the speaker is representing, if any, and the general nature of the topic and comments to be made. Any resident who has not submitted a written request shall have the right to speak, time permitting by raising his or her hand so that they may be recognized. The resident should state their name, address and topic. The policy and complete procedures for its implementation are posted and copies are also available to the public.

VI. Recognitions

VII. Special Presentation

VIII. Board Member Questions on the Agenda

IX. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented, revisions on items to be made at this time.

Motion_____ Second_____

X. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2026 voting meeting and the August 5, 2026 special meeting, as presented. *(All minutes are uploaded on OneDrive in the “Board Minutes” folder.)*

Motion_____ Second_____

XI. Treasurer's Report

Motion to accept the July 31, 2026 Treasurer's Report, as presented. *(Uploaded on OneDrive)*

Motion _____ Second _____

XII. Recommendations of the Administration**A. Personnel**

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

1. Resignation of **Ami Behrens**, 12-month secretary at the high school, after 10 years of service in the district. Mrs. Behrens' last day of work will be August 18, 2026.
2. Resignation of **Jessica McCort** as the National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society sponsors, retroactive to August 6, 2026.
3. Appointment of **Michael Markley** as a full-time paraprofessional, 186 days a year, 7.5 hours a day, \$16.50 per hour, effective August 24, 2026. *(Pending receipt of physical and tb test.)*
4. Appointment of **Tarra Ratley** as a full-time paraprofessional, 186 days a year, 7.5 hours a day, \$16.50 per hour. Start date will depend on when all employment documents are received.
5. Supplemental employment of **Julia Calder**, **Antoinette Dirda** and **Rob Strnisha** as Cyber Teachers for the 2026-2027 school year, at \$28 per hour, not to exceed three (3) hours per week, unless approved by the Cyber Administrator.
6. Addition of **Victor Ardeno** to the list of substitute custodians. *(Pending receipt of required employment documents.)*
7. List of substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year. *(Uploaded on OneDrive)*
8. Junior/Senior High After-School Tutoring Program:
Grades 7 to 12
September 21, 2026 through June 3, 2027
Monday through Thursday
3:00 to 4:00 pm
\$28 per hour
1 Teacher
1 Substitute
9. Junior/Senior High School After-School Detention and Saturday Detention:
Grades 7 to 12
September 14, 2026 through June 1, 2027
Monday through Thursday
3:00 to 4:00 pm (Monday through Thursday)
\$28 per hour
1 Teacher (Monday through Thursday)
1 Teacher (Saturday)
Saturday
9:00 am to 12:00 pm (Saturday)

1 Substitute (Monday through Thursday)

1 Substitute (Saturday)

Motion _____ Second _____

B. Athletics

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

1. Appointment of **Jason Henry** and **Emma Blickenderfer** as volunteer soccer coaches for the 2026 season.

Motion _____ Second _____

C. Board Policy

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

(No policies to approve this month)

Motion _____ Second _____

D. Contracts, Agreements and Grants

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

1. Agreement with Amergis Educational Staffing to provide personnel for any additional staffing needs the district need for the 2026-2027 school year. *(Uploaded on OneDrive)*

Motion _____ Second _____

E. Business and Finance

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

1. List of bus and van drivers for the 2026-2027 school year. *(Uploaded on OneDrive)*

Motion _____ Second _____

XIII. Ratification and Payment of Bills – Treasurer

Motion to approve ratification and payment of bills as presented. *(Uploaded on OneDrive)*

Motion _____ Second _____

XIV. Unfinished Business

XV. New Business

XVI. Superintendent's Report

XVII. Solicitor's Report

XVIII. Special Representative Reports

- A. Western Area Career & Technology Center – Mrs. Kilgore
- B. PSBA Representative – Ms. Clark
- C. IU1 Representative – Mrs. Jones
- D. Parking Authority – Mr. Bird and Mrs. DiNardo
- E. Updates from Activities, Education and Policy Committee Representatives

XIX. Information

A. September Board Meeting – Monday, September 21, 2026

B. September Committee Meetings

Policy Committee – Wednesday, September 2nd at 5:30 pm via Zoom

Activities Committee – Thursday, September 10th at 4:00 pm

Education Committee – Thursday, September 17th at 4:00 pm

C. PSBA School Director Trainings – Has everyone completed their required trainings?

XX. Adjournment

XXI. Executive Session