

Winton Woods Board of Education
Minutes
Regular Meeting – June 8, 2026

The Winton Woods Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, June 8, 2026 at the Winton Woods Early Childhood Central Campus, Conference Room, 825 Waycross Road, Cincinnati, Ohio. President Knighten called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

On the roll call the following members were present: Mr. Bill Speelman, Ms. Kayla Miller, Mr. Brandon Smith, Ms. Angela Knighten. Absent Ms. Debra Bryant. Also present were Mr. Steve Denny, Superintendent and Mr. Randy Seymour, Treasurer.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Capital Improvement Report – Fiscal Year 2026 Ohio Department of Education and Workforce District Report 2024-2025
Mr. Day reviewed for the Board the capital improvements which were completed in fiscal year 2026. The report will be presented at the regular meeting on June 22, 2026.
- Community Mailer Preview
Mr. Jeffery Riel reviewed for the Board the district communications postcard mailer that will soon be distributed to the residents of the district.
- Uniform Survey Results
Mr. Denny reviewed for the board the school uniform survey results. It was the consensus of the Board to maintain the current School Uniform Policy (po5511.01) for the 2026-2027 school year and continue to study possible revisions to the policy.
- Appointment of Legal Advisor and Counsel
After a discussion by Mr. Denny and the Board it was the opinion of the board to retain the services of Attorney Pamela A. Leist, who joined the firm of Gingo & Bair Law LLC.

Resolution to Employ Legal Counsel

06-85-26 On a motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Speelman to approve the Resolution “To Employ Legal Counsel” as presented. (Attached)

Vote: Mr. Speelman, Aye; Ms. Miller, Aye; Mr. Smith, Aye; Ms. Knighten, Aye

President Knighten declared the motion carried.

- Education Scorecard – The report summarizes district-level educational outcomes using data from the Harvard and Stanford Education Data Archive from 2008-2025. In the report Winton Woods City School District is named in the top 108 districts on the rise in 2025 in Math.
(A copy of the report is available from the office of the Superintendent.)

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SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – (Cont.)

- Mr. Denny reviewed for the Board the proposed step placement for Administrative Employee’s Salaries effective August 1, 2026 and Exempt Employee’s Salaries effective July, 1 2026.
- Academic Criteria for Co-Curricular Activities & Field Trips
The Board briefly discussed the GPA requirements for students participating in overnight field trips.
- Hillman Ground Breaking Ceremony will be on June 16, 2026.

TREASURER’S REPORT

- Levy Update
Mr. Seymour reviewed for the board the time line for resolutions that would need to be passed to place a 6.95 mill continuing operating levy on the November ballot. He also shared a copy of the resolution “Declaring the Necessity of Levying an Additional Tax for Current Operating Expenses” with the Board.

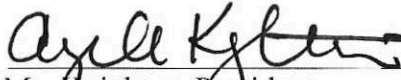
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Knighten declared the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

ATTEST:


Randy L. Seymour, Treasurer

APPROVED:


Ms. Knighten, President

**WINTON WOODS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 06-85-26
RESOLUTION TO EMPLOY LEGAL COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to approve the appointment of legal advisor and counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board that:

SECTION I

The Board hereby approves the firm of Gingo & Bair Law, LLC to serve as legal counsel to the Winton Woods City School District Board of Education and hereby authorizes the Board President, Superintendent, Treasurer and designated administrator(s) to engage the services of said firm on an as needed basis.

SECTION II

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning or related to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees, if any, that resulted in such formal actions were adopted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable requirements of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Smith moved and Mr. Speelman seconded the motion that the above Resolution be adopted

Upon roll call and the adoption of the Resolution, the vote was as follows:

Mr. Speelman, Aye; Ms. Miller, Aye; Mr. Smith, Aye; Ms. Knighten, Aye

ADOPTED this 8th day of June, 2026.



Randy Seymour, Treasurer

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting held on the 8th day of June, 2026, together with a true and correct extract from the minutes of said meeting to the extent pertinent to consideration and adoption of said resolution.



Randy Seymour, Treasurer