WELLINGTON EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF WORK SESSION
Westwood Elementary School - Conference Room
October 5, 2026
6:01 P.M.

President Mohrman called the meeting to order by asking for a roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Brattoli, Ratliff, Shellhouse, Kazmierczak, Mohrman
Absent: None

#26-152 APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Motion was made by Brattoli and seconded by Mohrman to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

Yes: Brattoli, Mohrman, Ratliff, Shellhouse, Kazmierczak
No: None

President Mohrman declared this motion passed.

PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. MTSS Process - Nathan Morris
B. State Report Card - Dr. Peltz and Stephanie Glasure
C. Athletic Facilities - Dr. Peltz and Pete Bailey
D. Kiwanis - Ayers Ratliff

Mr. Ratliff said he helped start K-Kids 17years ago with Nancy Ratliff, Jane Bly, Cathy Kurtz, and Cindy Kodosky and feels it has been a successful program. The K-Kids have sold $48,000 in nut sales for Kiwanis which generated $24,000 for scholarships. They have also contributed over $33,000 for vouchers for free and reduced students for Well-Help through the Duke Pride Carnival. They have contributed $7,500 to help develop the park on South Main and we were saving another $7,500 for the park.

Mr. Ratliff talked to Ed Weber and Ed stated Kiwanis came to him 4 times stating they don't like the way K-Kids was run and don't like the way they were getting money together and all the money collected should be divided equally among the 3 groups. Said Kiwanis must have come to Andy to try to do the same thing.

Dr. Peltz stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss how to build K-Kids into a true leadership program, how do we increase our numbers in Builders Club to make it more effective and keep K-Kids strong. Stated the goal is also to figure out how to also get our Builders Club and Key Club member numbers up.

Mr. Ratliff stated the goal of the meeting was to cut the numbers down. Dr. Peltz said that was not the case.

Mr. Ratliff feels he should have been invited to a meeting on September 29, 2026 with the K-Kids advisor, Builder's Club advisor, Key Club advisor and Kiwanis members along with Dr. Peltz since he is the Kiwanis Liaison for K-Kids.

Mr. Ratliff said they tore Cathy Kurtz apart at the meeting per his conversation with Cathy Kurtz. Dr. Peltz stated that is not how the meeting went.

There was a discussion on what the funds are used for from the sponsorship. Mr. Ratliff stated they did not have to tell sponsorships what the money was being used for. Mr. Ratliff stated they want to take the money in the K-Kids account and split the money between the three clubs. Dr. Peltz said that was never decided. Mr. Ratliff stated any transfer of funds to other groups would need Board approval. Dr. Peltz stated that any fundraisers should be Board approved with the intention of what the money will be used for. Mr. Ratliff said you do not get sponsorships to run a club the way they want to and tell them what it is for. For a club to be successful you need sponsorships.

Mr. Ratliff stated that the K-Kids do a food drive, crafts at the Elm's Nursing Home, ring the Salvation Army bell, make hero bags and recognize veterans.

Dr. Peltz explained they were asking Cathy questions to get a better understanding of the K-Kids program.

Mr. Mohrman mentioned that if we could not be civil with Kiwanis, maybe we should kill the programs. Mr. Ratliff said that it should be because of what they did to Cathy Kurtz so let's kill the program. Dr. Peltz stated this is not the intent and that would not be in the best interest for the students.

There was a discussion about sending out the sponsorship letters and the requirements for a fundraiser.

FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

A. Tuesday, October 20, 2026, Business Meeting, 6:00 PM, Wellington High School and via Zoom;
B. Tuesday, November 3, 2026, Work Session, 6:00 PM, Westwood Elementary School Conference Room.

#26-153 ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Kazmierczak and seconded by Shellhouse to adjourn the Work Session at 8:50 p.m.

Yes: Kazmierczak, Shellhouse, Brattoli, Ratliff, Mohrman
No: None

President Mohrman declared this motion passed.

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Board President Treasurer

Note: There is an audio recording of this meeting and it's available upon request to the Treasurer.