MINUTES OF BUDGET HEARING FOR WCES and WCCTE
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
WILLIAMSON COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT

September 11, 2026

Regular WCES 7:30 A.M.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Present	Absent
Mr. Josh Pietrantoni, Unit I	
Mrs. Becky Moss, Unit II	
Mr. Sy Stone, Unit III	
Mr. Nathaniel Wilson, Unit IV	
Mrs. Sarah Barnstable, Unit V	

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:
Jami Hodge, WCES Director
Rachel Bullar, WCEA
Jenny Malanowski

Chairman Sy Stone called the FY27 WCES and WCCTE Budget Hearing to order at 7:32 a.m.

Having no visitor participation, the hearing was closed and moved directly into regular session.

Mrs. Moss entered the meeting at 7:36 a.m.

Roll call was taken with Mr. Pietrantoni, Mrs. Moss, Mr. Stone, Mr. Wilson, and Mrs. Barnstable in attendance.

Mr. Wilson made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), to consider information regarding the performance and/or licensure status of a specific employee. Mrs. Barnstable seconded the motion.

The Executive Board entered into closed session at 7:39 a.m.

The Executive Board came out of closed session at 7:48 a.m.

Mrs. Barnstable made a motion to adjourn out of closed session. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion.

Members Pietrantoni, Moss, Stone, Wilson, and Barnstable voted “yea”. Motion carried.

Mr. Pietrantoni made a motion to approve the closed session minutes. Mrs. Moss seconded the motion.

Members Pietrantoni, Moss, Stone, Wilson, and Barnstable voted “yea”. Motion carried.

Mr. Wilson made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda, as presented. Mrs. Barnstable seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, Members, Pietrantoni, Moss, Stone, Wilson, and Barnstable voted “yea”. Motion carried.

Mr. Pietrantoni made the motion to accept the Personnel, as presented. Mrs. Moss seconded the motion.

- **Melody Lukesh** - hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Alycia Stephenson** - hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Joel McPherson** - hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Jessica Wagley** - hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Breanna Pitchers -** hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Kerstin Green -** hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Lauren Laczynski -** hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Alexis Nutt**- hire as a paraprofessional for the FY27 school year pending EHR, TB, physical, verification of fingerprints, and finalization of licensure and paperwork
- **Haley Cornaglia** - letter dated August 13, 2026 requesting maternity leave from October 5, 2026 through November 16, 2026
- **Tonya Trexler** - resignation email dated August 20, 2026 effective immediately
- **Hailey Taylor** - email dated August 24, 2026 requesting medical leave starting August 25, 2026
- **Madalyn Shadowen** - resignation email dated August 25, 2026 effective September 4, 2026

Staff Notices:

- Alexa Ratchford, ESP - Dismissal
- Melissa Pribble - Transfer
- Alexia Denly - Transfer
- Heather Adams - Transfer
- Destiny Salus - Leave Status, Dock Wages
- Autumn Watson, Certified Staff - Administrative Leave

Transportation invoice for August 2026 presented.

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Mr. Pietrantoni made a motion to accept the FY27 WCES Adopted Budget. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, Members Pietrantoni, Moss, Stone, Wilson, and Barnstable voted “yea”. Motion carried.

Mr. Wilson made a motion to accept the FY27 WCCTE Adopted Budget. Mrs. Moss seconded the motion.

Members Pietrantoni, Moss, Stone, Wilson, and Barnstable voted “yea”. Motion carried.

2025-2026 Preliminary LEA Determination presented.

Mrs. Moss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion.

Members Pietrantoni, Moss, Stone, Wilson, and Barnstable voted “yea”. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 a.m.

MINUTES ATTESTED TO:

Sy Stone, Chairman of the Board

Nathaniel Wilson, Secretary of the Board

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