

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Wyoming City School District Board of Education
Monday, October 25, 2021
Wyoming High School
Pendery Auditorium**

I. Call to Order

Mrs. Zoller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. 106-21 Roll Call

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mrs. Broderick, Mr. Buckner, Mr. Thomas Mrs. Yee and Mrs. Zoller

Also in attendance Tim Weber, Ronda Johnson, Ashley Whitely, and Suzy Henke.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Zoller led the Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Recognition of the Public

Cynthia Meis, Director of College Counseling at WHS and Wyoming parent, spoke in support of the Belonging and Inclusion Collaborative, noting that students are going to graduate into a diverse world and they need to be given the skills to navigate these complexities with age appropriate training.

Erica Grayson, 17 year resident and Wyoming parent, spoke in support of diversity, equity and inclusion work and urged the community to keep politics out of the decision making process and out of interactions with the school board.

Nikki DeWitt, Wyoming parent, discussed poor culture under previous administration and thanked the Board for hiring Mr. Weber as the Superintendent.

Chandra Napora spoke in support of the Board and in support of Wyoming's extraordinary, gifted, skillful and dedicated teachers who are supported by the Board and administration and who in turn support our students. She stated that attacks on the current administration and the current board are ultimately attacks on our teachers, further stating that she trusts our teachers for age appropriate curriculum and noted that CRT is propaganda and is not being taught to our students. She finished by asking if those being critical have thought about how all students are impacted by certain lessons.

Mauren Stevens expressed thankfulness for her kids' experiences in Wyoming City Schools. She thanked the Board and the administration for a thorough, fact-based and accurate curriculum and appreciated that her kids are learning to respect the dignity and humanity of all and that Wyoming is creating a sense of belonging for all students.

Martin Skidmore thanked the Board for their leadership during the pandemic, for providing age appropriate resources on anti-racism and additional work on anti-racism, for trusting and supporting teachers, for taking a science-based approach in the pandemic, for putting safety measures in place for students and staff and for realizing that our students are more than a test score.

Alisa Kanfi expressed her support to the Board and Mr. Weber, noting steadfast leadership during the pandemic in following advice of medical experts to keep our students, staff and thus the community safe.

She added that educational excellence and forward thinking of the Board, teachers and staff is why her family and others move to Wyoming.

Cathy Lowe agrees that racism is wrong and agrees on a robust, truthful telling of American history and wants her children to face the challenges of the world with grace and strength. She added that our conflict is a world view conflict and she wants her kids to face the challenges of the world with an empowered and strong world view. She stated the world view that emerged from the civil rights movement seeks to unite people of all backgrounds and the world view that emerged from the critical theory seeks to divide people and advocated for the civil rights world view to be part of our curriculum.

Cindy Peebles discussed that her freshman student is learning to navigate a complex world of diversity and spends most of her waking hours at school and as such, she should be introduced to educational and interpersonal concepts of diversity in schools. She expressed her support for Mr. Weber and the Board and the teachers who do this work every day and encouraged the focus to remain on accurate teaching of history.

Amy Webb thanked the Board for their service and commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion. As a parent of a special needs student, she stated that equitable and accessible educational experiences starts with open minds and open hearts. She noted that while she knows that CRT is not being taught in Wyoming, she is concerned that some believe that any conversation about equity is construed as CRT. She offered that any dialogue about diversity should not be labeled as divisive because they help our children relate to each other and build bridges of friendship and inclusion.

Melissa Erickson thanked Mr. Weber and the BOE for being exceptional leaders in keeping our kids safe during the pandemic and appreciated the District following the science. She also spoke in support of the District's work in diversity, equity and inclusion and shared her positive experiences at both the primary and middle school in support of this work.

Ronda Evans spoke in support of the District's pandemic efforts to keep families safe and appreciated the communication from Mr. Weber. With respect to diversity, she stated it is important to understand the impact of learning history on all groups of students, including students of color, the LGBT community, women and those with disabilities. She thanked the Board and Mr. Weber for everything they do for the community.

Scott Spera expressed his support of the leadership of the Board and Administration during challenges of health, challenges of scholastic preparation and challenges of social preparation. He thanked the Board for masking protocols allowing in-person learning this year and also stated that he appreciated the rigorous academics in the District.

V. Special Presentations

Primary Schools Data Presentation – Using Data to Find Intentional Solutions: Gina Kirchner, Primary Principal, and Primary Teachers Tracy Kroeger and Jen Kreimer shared a sample of data analysis work being done across all 33 primary classrooms. Ms. Kirchner highlighted the use of benchmark screening assessments and diagnostic assessments to design targeted interventions aligned to a specific need. She shared an example in reading where the diagnostic assessment determined whether students needed an intervention in phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, or comprehension. Ms. Kroeger and Ms. Kreimer shared an additional example, highlighting the Tier I, Tier II and Tier III interventions and the progress monitoring process used to support students.

Middle School Data Presentation – A New View: Restart Readiness Assessments for Middle Schools: Jennifer Klein, WMS Principal and 5th grade Teacher, Lori Miller shared the use of a new Restart Readiness Assessment in Reading, Math and Science. Ms. Klein shared that Restart Readiness is an assessment tool developed by ODE that includes benchmark tests and checkpoint assessments that provide nearly immediate, actionable performance data aligned with Ohio's standards. Ms. Miller shared

how she was able to receive the data from the assessment to make immediate changes to her instruction. The data she received included a predicted OST score, 5 strengths, 5 weaknesses, completion rates, item analysis, and diversity comparisons. From this data, teachers are able to revise curriculum maps, add interventions and quickly modify instruction.

VI. Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee – No report.

Citizens Advisory Committee – Mrs. Yee noted that the CAC met on October 5th and study groups are continuing their work on primary facilities, bullying, and primary standards-based grading practices.

VII. Board Committee Liaison Reports

Business Advisory Committee – No report.

Belonging Committee – Mr. Weber shared that the Belonging & Inclusion Collaborative met on October 12. Three teams are working on reviewing curriculum resources, discipline data, and communication strategies.

Community Engagement – Mrs. Yee highlighted that the BOE worked the concession stand on Senior Night and also highlighted WSMA Porch Fest. Mr. Buckner noted that WCIA hosted the Poetry Jam. Mr. Weber added that the District hosted a speaker on anxiety as part of the Parent Partnership Series.

Facilities Committee – Mrs. Yee shared that the track renovation project at WHS is complete and that the tennis court partnership project between the District and the City is also complete.

Planning and Goal Setting – No report.

Policy Review Committee – No report.

Student Achievement – Mr. Weber shared that a meeting was held on October 8th where the ODE Data Insights document was discussed.

VIII. 107-21 Board of Education Report

A. WHS Dan Jones Family Champions Center Naming:
Wyoming Athletics Memorial Entrance: Kaia Grant '05 Memorial Entrance

B. Approve Board of Education Report.

Mr. Buckner made a motion to approve the Board of Education Report.
Mr. Thomas seconded the motion.

Yea – Buckner, Thomas Yee, Zoller, Broderick,
Nay – None
Motion carried.

IX. 108-21 Treasurer's Report

A. Approve the minutes for the following Board Meetings:

September 27, 2021 Regular Meeting

- B. Approve the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the month ending September 30, 2021.
- C. FY22 Appropriations Adjustments

WYOMING CITY SCHOOLS			
PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2022			
September 27, 2021			25-Oct-21
001	GENERAL	\$ 27,882,309.36	
002	BOND RETIREMENT	\$ 3,310,800.00	
003	PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	\$ 1,390,000.00	
006	FOOD SERVICE	\$ 7,000.00	
007	SPECIAL TRUST	\$ 103,431.97	
018	PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT	\$ 138,747.67	\$ 22,475.00
200	STUDENT MANAGED ACTIVITIES	\$ 120,221.46	\$ 14,095.00
300	DISTRICT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 239,867.86	\$ 19,700.00
467	STUDENT WELLNESS & SUCCESS	\$ 81,493.16	
499	DEWINE SAFETY GRANT	\$ 10,035.88	
507	ESSER COVID-19	\$ 1,285,438.84	
516	TITLE VI-B	\$ 362,709.63	
572	TITLE I	\$ 175,834.59	
572	EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES	\$ 5,074.10	
584	TITLE IV	\$ 11,567.13	
587	PRESCHOOL	\$ 3,393.43	
590	TITLE II-A	\$ 35,904.95	
Grand Total All Funds =>		\$ 35,163,830.03	\$ 56,270.00

D. Donations

- \$400.00** **The Herb Society of Greater Cincinnati**
Vermont Garden
- \$2,675.00** **Wyoming School Foundation**
WHS Class of 1979 Gift, in honor of Eve Bolton (\$1616)
Loma Joseph Fund (\$1059)
Financial Assistance for WHS Senior Class Trip to Washington, DC

E. Approve Treasurer’s Report

Mrs. Yee made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report.
Mrs. Broderick seconded the motion.

Yea – Thomas, Yee, Zoller, Broderick, Buckner
Nay – None
Motion carried.

X. 109-21 Superintendent’s Report

A. Personnel

- 1. 2021-2022 Resignation

Anne Skaggs Primary Educational Aide

Effective November 12, 2021

2. 2021-2022 New Personnel

Gray, Teresa - Primary Clinic Aide	Aide/Step 0/143 Days
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3. 2021-2022 College Application Boot Camp Readers at Curriculum Rate

Berry, Alice	Up to 9 Hours
Lyon, Andy	Up to 10 Hours
Meador, Terry	Up to 8 Hours
Wegenhart, Todd	Up to 10 Hours
Wischer, Alli	Up to 8 hours

4. 2021-2022 Unpaid Leave

Molloy, Amy	9 Days/April 5 - 18, 2022
Nocks, Lisa	1 Day/October 15, 2021
Wieland, Jolie	59 Days/March 1 - May 27, 2022

5. 2021-2022 Extended Day Services at Curriculum Rate

Gunnell, Emma - Intervention Specialists	Up to 10 Hours
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6. 2021-2022 Rescind Non-Athletic Supplemental Contract

Counts, Pat	JETS Club 2%
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7. 2021-2022 Non-Athletic Supplemental Contract

Murley, Laura Lea	WMS Science Olympiad	1.5%
Osborne, Teresa	WMS MathCounts	5%
Warmack, Donna	WMS Student Council	1.6%

8. 2021-2022 Athletic Supplemental Contracts

Gronas, Chad	WHS Girls Varsity Basketball Head Coach	16%
Little, Holly	WHS Girls Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach	4.5%

9. 2021-2022 Volleyball Camp Workers

DeLong, Jim	Up to \$580
Discepoli, Danielle	Up to \$90
Hoffman, Heather	Up to 41.25
Monks, Raena	Up to \$120
Skowronski, Kayla	Up to 273.75

10. 2021-2022 Football Camp Workers

Deering, Dan	Up to \$1000
Edmonds, Jake	Up to \$2000
Pollington, Connie	Up to \$1300
Schnee, Matt	Up to \$1000
Stofko, Nick	Up to \$1500

11. 2021-2022 Renew Existing Primary Student Club

Hilltop Robotics Club	
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12. 2021-2022 Renew Existing Middle School Clubs

Art Club Grades 5/6	
Chess Club	
Girls on the Run	
Green Team	
Math Counts	

Model United Nations
Ping Pong Club
Power of the Pen
Science Olympiad Team & Club
Spanish Club
Student Council
Tech Club
Yearbook Club

13. 2021-2022 Renew Existing High School Clubs
Advancing Cultural Equality & Success (ACES)
Chess Club
HOPE
Horizon Newspaper
Icarus
Chapter of the INTERalliance of Greater Cincinnati
Latin Club - Middle School/High School
Marching Guard/Fall Season & Winter Guard/Winter Season
Mock Trial
Model United Nations
National Honor Society
Project LEAD
Science Olympiad
Spanish Club
Student Council
The Alliance
Wyoming High Academic Team (W.H.A.T.)
WHS Yearbook Team
14. 2021-2022 Approve Applications for New High School Clubs
WHS Art Club
WHS Dungeons & Dragons
WHS Film Club
WHS Thrive & Survive

B. Grounds Maintenance Agreement of Services - Love Grounds Maintenance
November 1, 2021 - October 31, 2024

C. Approve Superintendent's Report.

Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the Superintendent's Report.
Mrs. Zoller seconded the motion.

Yea – Yee, Zoller, Broderick, Buckner, Thomas
Nay – None
Motion carried.

XI. Superintendent Update

Mr. Weber noted his appreciation for our teachers in their use of data in curriculum, assessment and instruction.

Mr. Weber discussed updating our universal masking plan. He reviewed the data points considered by the

Administration and the Science Advisory Team: local, state and federal guidance, COVID-19 transmission rates, local vaccination coverage, legislation, and school-based case data. We are currently seeing a decrease in COVID-19 rates in Hamilton County and increased vaccination rates as well as promising school-based case data. Mr. Weber requested a board meeting be added for November 10th at 7:30 AM to review the data points.

Mr. Weber and Mrs. Henke shared new quarantine guidance from the Ohio Department of Health that was released today titled *Masked to Stay - Test to Play*. These new quarantine guidelines modify quarantine practices and will be released to families this week.

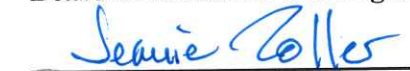
XII. 110-21 Adjournment

Mr. Buckner moved to adjourn the meeting.
Mrs. Yee seconded the motion.

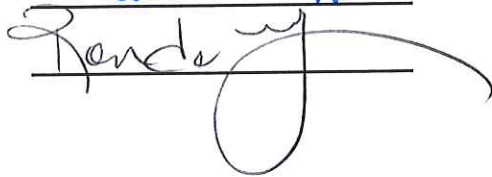
Yea – Zoller, Broderick, Buckner, Thomas Yee
Nay – None
Motion Carried

The October 25, 2021 Board of Education Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Board of Education Meeting Minutes Approved by:



Jeanie Zoller, Board President



Ronda Johnson, Treasurer