Winston R-VI School Board Meeting

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, September 23rd, 2026

Members Present: Hydi Sheetz, Chris Lee, Buzz Schoonover, Aaron Piburn, Donita Youtsey, Wyatt Christensen

- Donita called the meeting to order @ 5:59 p.m.
    - Five of the Seven members currently present. Member Joshua Silver absent, Member Wyatt Christensen will be tardy.
- Aaron made a motion to approve the agenda, Hydi seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Wyatt not present as of yet.
- Aaron made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Hydi seconded. Motion passed 6-0. Wyatt now present.
- Hydi made the motion that the Board of Education declare the designated historic memorabilia and stored items from the Old High School as surplus property, and authorize the administration to conduct a public fundraiser for its disposal, with all net proceeds to be deposited into the district's Operating Fund. Chris seconded. Motion passed 6-0.
- Hydi made the motion to approve the budget amendment to the Capital Projects Fund to increase the expenditure budget by $74,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Old High School demolition project. Wyatt seconded. Motion passed 6-0.
- Chris moved to approve the policy updates as presented. Hydi seconded. Motion passed 6-0
- Wyatt moved to approve the new extra duty positions of Trapshooting Assistant and Esports Assistant at 1.5% of the base. Hydi seconded. Motion passed 6-0.
- Wyatt moved to enter into Executive Session. Hydi seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Hydi – yes, Aaron – yes, Donita – yes, Chris – yes, Buzz – yes, Wyatt – yes. Entered @ 7:19 p.m.
- Wyatt moved to offer a Letter of Intent to Christy Jessen as FBLA Sponsor, Katie Martin as Trapshooting Assistant, Andrew Cason as Esports Assistant, Samantha Taul as Yearbook Sponsor, Sophie Pliley as JH Boys BBALL Coach & 7th grade sponsor, and Nichol Polley as the senior sponsor. Hydi Seconded. Motion passed 6-0.
- Hydi moved to exit Executive Session. Aaron seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Hydi – yes, Aaron – yes, Donita – yes, Chris – yes, Buzz – yes, Wyatt – yes. Exited @ 7:39 p.m.
- Hydi moved to adjourn. Aaron seconded. Motion passed 6-0 @ 7:41 p.m.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday October 19th, 2026.

Policy Updates Presented:

- Policy 1300 – Prohibition Against Harassment, Discrimination and Retaliation
  - *Updated in response to HB 2061 and new Missouri requirements regarding antisemitic discrimination and harassment. The law requires districts to address antisemitic discrimination and harassment in the same manner as comparable race-based discrimination and establishes reporting requirements through DESE.*
- Policy 1320 – Accessibility of Web Content and Mobile Applications
  - *Substantially revised to address new federal Title II accessibility requirements. District websites, electronic consent, mobile applications, and certain vendor-provided content must meet WCAG 2.1 Level A and AA Accessibility standards.*
- Policy 1435 - Residential Camp Background Checks (NEW)
  - *Created in response to HB 1696. District-operated programs involving two or more consecutive overnight stays may qualify as "residential camps". Covered employees and volunteers age 18 or older must complete specified background checks before beginning service. This could apply to certain athletics, band. Leadership, FFA, or other overnight student activities depending on the program schedule.*
- Policy 2100 – Nondiscrimination and Student Rights
  - *Updated to incorporate the new statutory requirements concerning antisemitic discrimination and to modernized the District's nondiscrimination language.*
- Policy 2875 – Student Allergy Prevention and Response
  - *Updated following HB 2372, which replaces references specifically to epinephrine auto-injectors with the broader term "epinephrine delivery systems." This allows for newer approved delivery methods in addition to traditional auto-injectors. The District must also confirm whether it stocks epinephrine for general emergency use and select the appropriate policy language. We reviewed this policy update at our Winston R-VI Health and Wellness Committee Meeting on Friday, September 18th.*
- Policy 4110 - Equal Opportunity Employment
  - *Updated to incorporate new nondiscrimination requirements and modernized the District's equal employment opportunity language.*
- Policy 4630 – Staff Conduct
  - *Updated to incorporate requirements concerning prohibited antisemitic discrimination and harassment into employee conduct expectations.*
- Policy 4860 - Personal Records
  - *Updated in connection with Missouri's new animal abuse and neglect reporting requirements. Certain notices regarding an employee's failure to make a required report cannot be placed in the employee's permanent personal file and must instead be maintained separately as a closed record.*
- Policy 4875 – Animal Abuse and Neglect Reporting (NEW)

        - *Establishes procedures for the new statutory reporting obligation under HB 2292. Certain school professionals, including teachers, counselors, social workers, psychologies, and mental health professionals, may be required to report suspected abuse or neglect of dogs, cats, rabbits, and domesticated birds to the designated hotline when the statutory reporting standard is met. This reporting obligation is separate from mandated child-abuse reporting requirements.*

- Policy 5410 – Inventory Management
    - *Updated to reflect federal requirements governing equipment and supplies purchased with federal funds, including Title I property used to provide services to eligible private-school students. The federal equipment-disposition threshold has also increased from $5,000.00 to $10,000.00.*