

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
November 24, 2025
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

As noted on the Public Meeting Notice: Live streaming of this meeting was available on our District's YouTube page.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by presiding officer, Caitlin Wilson. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on November 20, 2025.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Heidi Horton led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Ben Wopat recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Jennifer Hatz, Trish Harman, Caitlin Wilson, and Ben Garber. Also in attendance – Administration: Ryan Rieber, Alex Hubing, Alyssa Harlan, Heidi Horton, Ben Wopat and Shawn Handland; Recording secretary: Jennifer Larson. Excused: Catherin Griffin, Erik Peterson, Bob Minard, Justin Jehn, Lydia Jothen, and Zeke Hyer.

Approval of Agenda

B. Garbers moved, T. Harman seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Written and Oral Reports

District Strategic Initiative updates from the Superintendent's Management Team and the Superintendent were reviewed.

Board Grant Review Committee – C. Wilson reported on the agenda items.

Director of Instruction Alyssa Harlan presented the school report cards for 2024-2025.

Connection with the Community

Board reports by high school student representatives – None.

Correspondence – None.

Public Comments – None.

Consent Agenda

J. Hatz moved, B. Garbers seconded to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- a. the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 10, 2025;
- b. the invoices to be paid;

- c. to accept the administration's co-curricular recommendations for head 8th grade girls' basketball-Whitney Folkers, head 7th grade girls' basketball-Lauren Lovely and assistant 7th grade girls' basketball-Heidi Propson;
- d. to hire: Justin Parr as the 1.0 FTE Director of Technology
- e. to accept the donations from Amanda Bahl donated cleats to the district for a child in need; Knights of Columbus donated towards children in need of winter gear; Knights of Columbus donated towards West Salem special education; Ashley for the Arts donated to the Cross Country Team and Dance team; Cynthia and William Innes donated to the Random Acts of Kindness.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

T. Harman moved, B. Garbers seconded to approve the second reading of Po 6236 Community Services Fund (Fund 80). Motion carried unanimously.

J. Hatz moved, B. Garbers seconded to accept the Board Grant Review Committee's recommendation and approve the following Board Grants:

Kimberly Volden-Building a Final Project - \$1,200

Quenten Brown-Cameras for Kids - \$2,300

Angie Hemker and Tyler Shrake-Xtool for Crossing the Curriculum - \$6,500

Motion carried unanimously.

The list of to do items / information requests was reviewed. No action was taken.

Adjournment

B. Garbers moved, T. Harman seconded to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Harman, Acting Clerk