

Wesclin Board of Education  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Monday, July 21 , 2025

I. Regular Meeting

A. Roll Call

The Board of Education of Wesclin Community School District # 3, Clinton and St. Clair Counties, Illinois, met in a regular session on Monday, the 21st day of July 2025, at the hour of 6:00 p.m., at the Wesclin High School in said district.

At the above-named time and place there were present the following officers and members of the Board:

	<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Jeff Stroot, President:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Jared Poettker, Vice President:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Tina Litteken, Treasurer:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Dustin Biggs, Secretary:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Zach Peters:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Samantha Mohme:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Stephen Brown:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>

A quorum of the Board members being present, the current president called the meeting to order and declared the Board to be in session for the transaction of business.

Administrators present:

Jennifer Filyaw, Superintendent:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Jamey Rahm:	<u></u>	<u>X</u>
Angela Woll:	<u></u>	<u>X</u>
Zack Huels:	<u></u>	<u>X</u>
Patrick Weathers:	<u></u>	<u>X</u>
Jaime Bonsall:	<u></u>	<u>X</u>

B. Public Hearing 6:00 pm (E-Learning/Remote Day/Snow Day Plan)

1. Mrs. Filyaw provided information regarding the E/Learning/Remote days during snow days and the plan going forward.
2. Public Comments
3. Adjournment of Hearing

It was moved by Dustin Biggs, seconded by Zach Peters to adjourn the public hearing.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

C. Call to Order

At the above-named time and place there were present the following officers and members of the Board:

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Jeff Stroot, President:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Jared Poettker, Vice President:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Tina Litteken, Treasurer:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Dustin Biggs, Secretary:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Zach Peters:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Samantha Mohme:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Stephen Brown:	<u>X</u>	<u></u>

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Angela Woll:	<u>                                </u>	<u>          X          </u>
Zack Huels:	<u>                                </u>	<u>          X          </u>
Patrick Weathers:	<u>                                </u>	<u>          X          </u>
Jaime Bonsall:	<u>                                </u>	<u>          X          </u>

D. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the previous regular meeting and of the executive session of June 16, 2025 were approved on a motion by Jared Poettker, seconded by Zach Peters.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

E. District Finances

Motion made by Zach Peters, seconded by Dustin Biggs to approve The Treasurer's Report and payment of payroll in the amount of \$783,900.66 and bills in the amount of \$556,450.47.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

F. Agenda modification

Motion made by Jared Poettker, seconded by Stephen Brown to approve agenda as presented.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

G. Superintendent Report

Financial Update

Mrs. Filyaw provided the board with the Revenues and Expenditures for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. She stated that they all ended where they were expected.

Construction Update

Mrs. Filyaw provided an update regarding the construction on Wesclin Road/Highway 160. She stated that at this time, the project is both on schedule and under budget. She also stated that Clinton County electric will install additional lighting on 12-foot arms in front of the High School. This is anticipated to be completed by basketball season.

Building and Grounds Committee Update

Mrs. Filyaw stated that the Building and Grounds Committee met on June 16th to discuss a couple of construction projects.

Trenton proposed Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District

Mrs. Filyaw stated that Trenton is proposing the establishment of a new 23-year Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district. She provided information to the board regarding the proposal, and information she received at the Joint Review Board meeting on July 1st. Mrs. Filyaw finished by stating that the public hearing for the TIF is scheduled for August 25, 2025 at 5:30 pm, and encouraged the board to attend.

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II. Reception of Visitors  
No comments

III. Celebration of Success

- A. Thank you to our Summer School Teachers and Aides for providing our students with outstanding educational opportunities.
- B. Thank you to our custodial team for working hard to make our buildings look great for the return of school.
- C. Thank you to our PALS workers for their dedication to the students and providing them with a fun and engaging summer.

IV. Items Requiring Board of Education Action

A. E-Learning/Remote Day/ Traditional Snow Day Plan

This was presented and discussed with the board during the public hearing. The plan was presented to the board.

Motion by Jared Poettker, seconded by Dustin Biggs to approve the E-Learning/Remote Day/ Traditional Snow Day Plan.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

B. Handbooks

The list of handbooks below was presented at the July meeting, and must be approved. Mrs. Filyaw explained that there were changes made to the Sexual Harassment (Title IX) language in all handbooks after a board member raised questions and clarification was received from our law firm. In addition, a few policy numbers have been added to the Sexual Harassment (Title IX) section, the Student Discipline section, and the Bullying section.

- Elementary Parent/Guardian Student Handbook
- Middle School Parent/Guardian Student Handbook
- High School Parent/Guardian Student Handbook
- PreK Parent/Guardian Handbook

The Athletic Handbook was presented and will be approved at the August meeting

Motion by Dustin Biggs, seconded by Zach Peters to approve the following 2025-2026 Handbooks: Elementary Parent/Guardian/Student Handbook, Middle School Parent/Guardian/Student Handbook, High School Parent/Guardian/Student Handbook, PreK Handbook..

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

C. Section 125 Plan Service Provider

American Fidelity is the districts Section 125 Service Provider and the district is happy with their service. Mrs. Filyaw recommended continuing to use them to administer this program.

Motion by Zach Peters, seconded by Samantha Mohme to approve American Fidelity as our Section 125 Plan Service Provider.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

D. Consolidated District Plan

The district must annually approve a Consolidated District Plan annually, as part of the federal funding requirements. This plan is a federal requirement that outlines how the needs of students are met receiving services through federal funds, including at-risk, bilingual, and special education students.

Motion by Zach Peters, seconded by Dustin Biggs to approve the Consolidated District Plan.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

E. Food Service (Sodexo) Renewal

Sodexo is the district's food service provider. The district is permitted to renew the contract up to four times before initiation of a new competitive bidding process.

Sodexo is requesting a 3.6% increase for the upcoming school year. At this time, the district is satisfied with the level of service that they are providing.

Motion by Dustin Biggs, seconded by Zach Peters to approve the contract renewal with our food service provider, Sodexo, for a 3.6% increase.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

F. GoGuardian

Mrs. Filyaw stated that after discussions with GoGuardian, the district can sign a 3-year contract and secure the \$18,760.00 per year rate.

There were questions raised by the board regarding how GoGuardian was managed on the chromebooks.

Motion by Samantha Mohme seconded by Zach Peters to table the purchase of GoGuardian for a three year extended contract.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

G. Shot Clocks and Play Clocks

Mrs. Filyaw stated that beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, shot clocks will be required for High School basketball. In preparation for this mandate, Mrs. Filyaw recommended installing shot clocks during the 2025-2026 school year to allow the players, coaches, and scorekeepers to become familiar with this operation.

Mrs. Filyaw also recommended installing play clocks for Football. While this is not currently required, the majority of schools in our conference have installed these clocks to assist players and referees with timing.

The cost for the equipment is as follows:

- Basketball Shot Clock: \$6,560.00
- Play Clocks: \$6,277.00

Motion by Zach Peters, seconded by Jared Poettker to approve the basketball shot clocks for \$6,560.00 and the football play clock for \$6,277.00.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

H. Consent Agenda

A. Hire:

- i. Ann Little- We are recommending Mrs. Little as a Middle School ELA Teacher.
- ii. Heather Lauderdale- We are recommending Mrs. Lauderdale as the Middle School Yearbook advisor.
- iii. Paul "Trey" Marks- We are recommending Mr. Marks as an Asst. Football coach.
- iv. Megan Finke- We are recommending Ms. Finke as a teacher's aide in the district.
- v. Rachel Burcham- We are recommending Ms. Burcham as the Trenton Elementary Care Team Coordinator.
- vi. Paige Urban- We are recommending Mrs. Urban as the New Baden Care Team Coordinator.
- vii. Collin Johnson- We are recommending Mr. Johnson as the Middle School/High school Band teacher.

B. Resignation/Retirement:

- i. Wes Wright- Mr. Wright is resigning as a custodian effective July 31, 2025.
- ii. Luke Davis- Mr. Davis has resigned as the music/band teacher from Wesclin Middle and High School.
- iii. Bridget Amancio- Mrs. Amancio has resigned as a teacher's aide in the district.
- iv. Patrick Gray- Mr. Gray has resigned as an assistant high school football coach.

C. Volunteer:

- i. Charlotte Thomas- We are recommending Ms. Thomas as a volunteer dance coach at Wesclin Middle School.

Motion by Jared Poettker, seconded by Zach Peters to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

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I. Closed Session for the purposes of discussing appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the Board or legal counsel for the Board, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the Board or against legal counsel for the Board to determine its validity pursuant to Section 2©(1) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Jared Poettker, seconded by Zach Peters to move into closed session for the purposes of discussing personnel and student discipline. 6:53 p.m.)

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

Motion by Dustin Biggs, seconded by Zach Peters to return from closed session into the regular meeting. ( 9:25 PM)


Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

V. Adjournment:

It was moved by Jared Poettker, seconded by Tina Litteken that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Vote: Dustin Biggs-aye, Stephen Brown-aye, Tina Litteken-aye, Jeff Stroot-aye, Zach Peters-aye, Samantha Mohme, Jared Poettker-aye. Motion passes 7-0

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President



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Secretary

