

# Board of Education

## MEETING RECAP

March 10, 2025

### Moment of Excellence

#### WES Spelling Bee Champ and STEM Leaders Williamsburg Elementary School

This month we celebrated three students from WES. Izzy C. is a repeat Spelling Bee Champion. She is also a leader in her STEM group, along with Everly H. and Quentin M. These students have researched, collected data, and worked with their peers to design site models of their ideas for the playgrounds at the new Elementary School. We are extremely proud of their attention to detail and the thoughtfulness of their designs, which were all inclusive of children with mixed abilities. Great work, students!



### Superintendent's Celebrations

- Mr. Moberly shared an Athletic Update. Congratulations to all of our Winter Athletes who were recognized as All-League Athletes and Team League Champions, as well as Coaches of the Year
- The Athletic Hall of Fame Celebration Ceremony was last Friday. The event was well-attended and a nice tribute to those who were inducted. Congratulations again to the seven new inductees!
- We have started the 4th Quarter which means State Testing is starting soon. Our teachers and students are working hard to prepare for those tests
- This Thursday, March 13, is the Elementary School Fine Arts Night (at WMHS Gym)
- The 8th Grade Washington DC Trip is next week, followed by Spring Break which is March 24 - March 28.
- The Elementary PTA Carnival will take place on April 12 at WMHS

### Treasurer's Report

- Mr. Wells provided an update on the new state biennial budget proposal. The current proposal reduces spending on public education and increases public school dollars channeled to private schools. It also uses FY22 cost inputs that lags inflation. Two separate funding simulations show our district receiving no additional state support or taking a \$20K net loss over the two fiscal years. There are several bills under consideration that could reduce real estate tax revenues as well. We encourage our staff, parents, and community to keep updated on these biennial budget proposals and contact their state representative and senator to make their voices heard.
  - The district received our first advance from the County Auditor in late February for \$2.1M, over 45% of our total tax revenue for the fiscal year. This is much later than normal but delays are being reported statewide as homeowners grapple with higher home values and subsequent taxes. Such delays reinforce the importance of having adequate operating capital in reserve.
  - We have also received our first semester reimbursement from Grant Career Center for our innovative VM CTE program, totaling over \$48K.
  - Finally, we have officially wrapped up our State Audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. The district received a clean bill of health financially and got high marks for strong internal controls.
- This document is not an official Board Document. The official Meeting Minutes will be released after they are approved.

# Discussion Items/Major Items of Business

- Student Life - Approved some baseball, softball, and musical uniform/apparel requests
- Student Achievement - Discussed Career Tech VM Curriculum and applied for CTE-26 in 3 separate areas, including performing arts, business, and exercise science. This will open opportunities for other graduation pathways.
- Facilities - Met regarding the Elementary School and the Wildcat Athletic Center. The committee showed the plans for the new school as they currently stand, though changes still need to be made. A ten year master facilities plan was also shared.
- An account was created for the Class of 2030.
- Mr. Wells was appointed to serve as the school's Tax Incentive Review Council.
- A Resolution in Support of Full Implementation of the Fair School Funding Plan for the State of Ohio Biennial Budget FY26-FY27 was approved.
- Two change orders were accepted regarding the Wildcat Athletic Center.

## Donations

The Williamsburg Local School District would like to extend a special thank you to the following organizations and people for their extreme generosity to our schools and students.

- Patricia and Michael McKibben - Musical Fund (sound board)
- Angela McKibben - Musical Fund (sound board)
- H&R Block Mt .Orab - After Prom
- Meijer - Prom/After Prom
- Peoples Bank - Shirts for Washington DC Trip
- Williamsburg Athletic Boosters - Class of 2026 (Prom)
- Williamsburg Athletic Boosters - Scoreboard Project
- David and Celeste Ropp - 2025 STEM Scholarship

## Approved Positions

- Rachel Wright - WES Educational Aide
- Matt Watson - JV Softball Coach
- Darin Moore - Softball Volunteer
- Jason Shoemake - Softball Volunteer
- Meghan Lunsford - Softball Volunteer
- Mark Herren - Softball Volunteer
- Amy Raymond - WES Educational Aide
- Jason Pollitt - Softball Volunteer
- Jake Patterson - HS Track Volunteer
- Jeremy Garza - HS Track Volunteer
- Ian Klein - HS Track Volunteer
- Jacob Simpson - HS Track Volunteer

## Resignations for Purpose of Retirement

- Lynnett Lonaker - Effective August 31, 2025
  - Thanks to Ms. Lonaker for her 26 years of service to our district!

## Next Meeting Date

April 21, 2025

*March 10, 2025*

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