

WEST LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION MEETING MINUTES

MEETING INFORMATION			
MEETING TYPE	Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees		
RELEVANT LINK	https://www.youtube.com/live/IlaJidnFT1E		
DATE	Monday, April 14, 2025		
LOCATION	Central Office 3061 Benton Street West Lafayette, Indiana		
PRESENT			
Mrs. Amy Austin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Rachel Witt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. George Lyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dr. Yue Yin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mrs. Dacia Mumford	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dr. Shawn Greiner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dr. David Purpura	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Michelle Cronk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Laurence Wang	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Anna Roth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

President Austin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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I. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND HIGHLIGHTS	
TITLE	Mr. Strode - Athletics
SUMMARY	<p>Mr. Strode provided a presentation to the Board that included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Athletics Department Staff ● Athletic Trainers and Transportation ● Teams/Coaches ● Total Athletes ● Athlete Participation ● Multi-Sport Athletes ● IHSAA Transfer Policy (changes for 2025-26) ● Facilities

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TITLE	Mr. Rodgers, Principal - JSHS School Highlights and Updates
SUMMARY	Mr. Rodgers provided a presentation to the Board that included: JSHS Updates- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● West Lafayette JSHS Demographics ● Data Overview ● Highlights ● JSHS Goal #1 ● JSHS Goal #2 ● JSHS Work in Progress ● Spotlight
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II. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE	
SPEAKER	No communication from the audience
TOPIC	
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NOTE	Patrons who address the Board indicate their topic on the sign-in form.

III. CONSENT AGENDA	
ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION	<p>Agenda for the April 14, 2025 Regular Meeting</p> <p>Field Trip: *West Lafayette Bands to Illinois Bad Day in Champaign, IL September 13, 2025</p> <p>Personnel Report Accounts Payable</p>

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MOTION BY	Mrs. Witt
SECONDED BY	Mr. Lyle
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
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IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS	
TITLE	None
SUMMARY	
MOTION BY	
SECONDED BY	
VOTE	
RELEVANT LINK(S)	
TIME STAMP	

V. NEW BUSINESS	
TITLE	Approval of the Minutes of the February 10, 2025 Work Session of the Board of School Trustees
SUMMARY	The Board discussed what should and should not be included within the Work Session Minutes. The current form does not include any details discussed during the meeting. It was then noted that Minutes record actions taken by the Board, and no actions are taken during a Work Session. After further discussion, it was determined that a brief summary would be included, going forward, in the Work Session Minutes.
MOTION BY	Mr. Wang
SECONDED BY	Dr. Purpura
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
RELEVANT LINK(S)	https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-minutes/2025-1/3655-2025-02-10-work-session-minutes-draft/file
TIME STAMP	2:13:55
TITLE	Approval of the Minutes of the February 10, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees
SUMMARY	The Board discussed whether to add a patron summary when they address the Board. Points made were:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To summarize could misrepresent a patron’s voice. • Patrons should be allowed to speak and any community member interested in listening can access the video/audio. • Meeting Minutes should not classify the nature of the conversation. • It was suggested to just list the topic of conversation in lieu of a summary.
MOTION BY	Mrs. Witt
SECONDED BY	Mr. Wang
VOTE	6 of 7; The motion passed to approve the February Meeting Minutes, as amended, to include a patron’s topic under Communication from the Audience. Yes: Austin, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin; No: Lyle
RELEVANT LINK(S)	https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-minutes/2025-1/3677-2025-02-10-regular-board-minutes-draft/file https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-minutes/2025-1/3653-2025-02-10-regular-board-minutes-draft-alteration/file
TIME STAMP	2:15:29
TITLE	Approval of the Minutes of the March 10, 2025 Work Session of the Board of School Trustees
SUMMARY	A suggestion was made to include the meeting link in the Work Session Minutes. Since the February Work Session Minutes vote concluded, the link would be added to the March Work Session Minutes going forward.
MOTION BY	Dr. Purpura
SECONDED BY	Mr. Wang
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed, as amended, to include the link to the Work Session Minutes beginning with March. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
RELEVANT LINK(S)	https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-minutes/2025-1/3658-2025-03-10-work-session-minutes-draft/file
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TITLE	Approval of the Minutes of the March 10, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees
SUMMARY	<p>There was discussion regarding a suggested revision to Meeting Minutes under Football Lighting. During the vote, there was an original vote and an amended vote. It was discussed to only indicate the final, amended vote in the Minutes. The Board also discussed and agreed to including the patron's topic in the March Regular Minutes as well as adjusting the wording on the amended vote.</p> <p>Mrs. Austin called a 5-minute recess at 2:39:33. Mrs. Austin reconvened the meeting at 2:53:50.</p>
MOTION BY	Mr. Wang
SECONDED BY	Mrs. Witt
VOTE	<p>7 of 7; The motion passed to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes as amended to include a patron's topic when addressing the Board and to change the wording on the vote to say "the amended motion which specified that the warranty is included, was approved" instead of "The original motion was not approved."</p> <p>Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin</p>
RELEVANT LINK(S)	<p>https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-minutes/2025-1/3678-2025-03-10-regular-board-minutes-draft/file</p> <p>https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-minutes/2025-1/3656-2025-03-10-regular-board-minutes-draft-alteration/file</p>
TIME STAMP	2:28:06
TITLE	West Lafayette Observatory User Agreement
SUMMARY	<p>The Wabash Valley Astronomical Society (WVAS) requested to enter into an agreement with the West Lafayette Community School Corporation for the use of the West Lafayette Observatory. The initial term will be for one year from the date of approval with the option to renew each year thereafter. WVAS shall pay the WLCSC \$1 per year to be collected by January 31 of each year. WVAS is in its sixth decade of meeting monthly at the WLO fostering education about and enjoyment of the night sky, and of volunteering its members' time for the good of the community. Please note that the West Lafayette Community School</p>

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	Corporation attorney and WVAS worked together to develop a satisfactory agreement.
MOTION BY	Dr. Purpura
SECONDED BY	Mr. Wang
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
RELEVANT LINK(S)	https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-meeting-documents/2025-4/2025-04-14-regular-board-meeting/3674-west-lafayette-observatory-user-agreement/file
TIME STAMP	2:57:50
TITLE	K-6 Science and 7-12 Spanish Curricular Material Adoption
SUMMARY	Final recommendations regarding curricular materials to be adopted for Science K-6 and Spanish I-AP were presented to the Board. K-12 teachers who served on the adoption team, after a robust and complete review process, recommended the adoption of the materials as presented.
MOTION BY	Dr. Purpura made a motion to adopt and approve the purchase of the adopted curricular materials with one vote.
SECONDED BY	Mrs. Witt
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed to adopt and purchase the curricular materials. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
RELEVANT LINK(S)	https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-meeting-documents/2025-4/2025-04-14-regular-board-meeting/3668-k-6-science-and-7-12-spanish-curricular-material-adoption/file
TIME STAMP	3:00:42
TITLE	Purchase of Adopted Curricular Materials
SUMMARY	*Included with adoption of curricular materials.
MOTION BY	*Included with adoption of curricular materials.
SECONDED BY	*Included with adoption of curricular materials.

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VOTE	*Included with adoption of curricular materials
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TIME STAMP	*Included with adoption of curricular materials.
TITLE	Athletic Trainer Contract
SUMMARY	The Athletic Trainer Contract, with Franciscan Health of Lafayette, is coming to an end. Mr. Strode, Athletic Director, has worked over the past several months to obtain the best contract for the WLCSC. The proposed Franciscan Health renewal would result in substantial annual increases over the next three years. Mr. Strode contacted Indiana University Health Care Associates, and IU Health offered an annual contract, with significant cost savings (approximately \$48,000/per year), with a planned 3% annual increase over the next three-year period. Attorney Billingsley reviewed the contract, provided changes, and the contract was finalized for approval. Please note that surrounding school districts are in similar agreements with IUHCA.
MOTION BY	Mr. Wang
SECONDED BY	Mrs. Witt
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
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TIME STAMP	3:04:39
TITLE	Tennis Court Contract
SUMMARY	Legal Counsel notified the WLCSC stating the Sourcewell Cooperative did not meet Indiana's guidelines for publication for public works projects; therefore, the school corporation went through an additional process for finalization of the replacement of the tennis courts. Notice to Bidders, per Indiana Code, was published in the Journal & Courier on March 17th and March 24th, respectively, with a bid opening on March 31st. Replacement of the tennis courts with post-tension concrete, equipment, fencing, sport lighting and surfacing was included in the bid

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	as one complete project. Three full bids were received from Hellas, Mattcon General Contractors and PCC Sports. PCC Sports submitted the lowest bid with a difference of \$12,090. Work is slated to begin the last week of May with completion in August 2025.
MOTION BY	Mrs. Witt
SECONDED BY	Mr. Wang
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
RELEVANT LINK(S)	https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-meeting-documents/2025-4/2025-04-14-regular-board-meeting/3672-tennis-court-contract-memo/file https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-meeting-documents/2025-4/2025-04-14-regular-board-meeting/3661-attorney-reviewed-tennis-court-replacement-contract/file https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-meeting-documents/2025-4/2025-04-14-regular-board-meeting/3671-tennis-court-2025-bid-tabulation-spreadsheet/file https://www.wl.k12.in.us/document-library/school-board-information/board-meeting-documents/2025-4/2025-04-14-regular-board-meeting/3673-tennis-court-proof-of-publication/file
TIME STAMP	3:05:48
TITLE	Graduation - Board Participation
SUMMARY	Mrs. Mumford initiated discussion regarding Board participation at graduation. Board members provided their thoughts and suggestions. Board members agreed that graduating seniors should remain the focus, but they are happy to assist in any way they can if needed.
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TITLE	Policy Committee Discussion
SUMMARY	Mrs. Austin postponed this discussion. It was decided that the Interim Policy Committee would schedule a date/time to reconvene to discuss policies.
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VI. SUPERINTENDENT AND CFO REPORTS	
DR. GREINER	<p>Congratulations to Mrs. Michelle Cronk who has been named Indiana Association of School Business Officials (IASBO) School Business Official of the Year. This prestigious honor reflects the high regard her peers have for her outstanding leadership. Board members are invited to celebrate with her if schedules permit. The event is on May 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Ft. Wayne at the Grand Wayne Convention Center.</p> <p>Congratulations to Mr. Nathan Snyder on successfully completing the Indiana School Business Official certification as a Human Resource Specialist. Dr. Scott Bowling, IASBO Executive Director, contacted both myself and Mrs. Austin. This certification required 73 hours of instruction focused on Human Resource topics and responsibilities-an achievement that reflects Nathan's dedication to professional growth and his commitment to our district. We are incredibly proud of Nathan for this accomplishment and appreciate his continued efforts in ensuring excellence in our HR operations. Excellent service is certainly something Mr. Snyder is committed to.</p> <p>We continue to watch the final weeks of the legislative session. Funding for State Tuition Support is very minimal to nonexistent. Depending on enrollment, there may be no new dollars. We are also watching the developments of Property Tax Relief and how it will impact governmental entities. This is something we will need to address once we fully understand how these efforts will impact our district. This has been a moving target and we will continue to monitor accordingly.</p> <p>Quick reminder: school will not be in session on Friday, April 18. This is a scheduled snow make-up day that was not used during the winter.</p>
MRS. CRONK	<p>Mrs. Cronk reported that the Objects Breakdown of the month's claims, included in the Board Packet, during the period of March 5 through April 9 totaled \$5,538,345.55. Two Fund Reports were also provided. The first one is the month-end final Fund Report for February 2025 after all revenue and expenses have been posted and the bank reconciled. A preliminary Fund Report for March 2025, which is still in the process of posting revenue and some expenses, was also included in the Board packet. Also included in the Board packet was the February 2025 Cash Flow Report.</p>
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VII. BOARD REPORTS

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<p>MRS. AUSTIN <i>Redevelopment Commission and Board-Teacher Discussion</i></p>	<p>During the RDC Meeting, renderings of the new Public Safety Center were shown. The new facility will be located where the West Lafayette Police Department is currently, and that building will be expanded to house both the West Lafayette Police Department and the West Lafayette Fire Department. The new facility will allow easier accessibility for fire trucks to maneuver as well as the addition of a decontamination area for gear and the safety of the firefighters.</p> <p>Both the RDC and Board-Teacher Discussion meetings will be held this week.</p> <p>Congratulations to the West Lafayette Board of School Trustees for achieving the rating of advanced, as a group, for the exemplary governance awards from ISBA.</p>
<p>MR. LYLE <i>Legislative Liaison</i></p>	<p>The Indiana State Budget, that's being discussed in the Senate, no longer contains provisions for universal private school vouchers due to cost concerns, however, the House version still does.</p> <p>The West Lafayette City Council will have a vote regarding SK Hynix's rezoning request on May 5. PRF and SK Hynix plan to hold listening sessions leading up to the vote. Anyone interested in having their voice heard should plan to attend any one of those sessions and check with PRF for more information regarding the session dates/times/location.</p> <p>Indiana has had several measles cases now, so it's encouraged to do what you can to protect your families.</p> <p>The author of Indiana Senate Bill 289 is attempting to "codify" the Trump and Braun Executive Orders banning DEI.</p> <p>SB 1 is still on the table. In its current form, homeowners save roughly \$300 in property taxes, but may face an increase in personal income tax. Lt. Governor Beckwith does not support this Bill.</p> <p>Indiana Senate Bill 244 could mandate adding a video of a pregnancy ultrasound to elementary level sex education courses. Of course, sex education is still subject to parental consent.</p> <p>Indiana Senate Bill 255 would allow high school students to replace an elective course with a religious instruction course. Existing law applies to all age levels where students can miss up to 120 minutes of school instruction, per week, for religious instruction. Indiana Senate Bill 255</p>

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	<p>would essentially carve out class time for high school students to make it fit more in line with their schedules.</p> <p>The Partisan School Board Bill, Indiana SP287, has passed both Houses, however, this is another Bill that cannot go to the Governor's desk because there are some discrepancies between the House version and the Senate version. The Bill will not pass if they cannot reconcile it.</p> <p>The Federal Department of Education has sent out a letter to the states asking them to certify that they are not engaging in illegal DEI. ICE is continuing to do what it can to reach inside schools to reach migrant students.</p> <p>Google is facing a lawsuit from parents and teachers claiming Google is using student data to do product marketing.</p>
<p>MRS. MUMFORD <i>Public Schools Foundation of Tippecanoe County (PSFTC)</i></p>	<p>The Cupcake Run/Walk for Public Education will be held on September 21, 2025. Registration is open and early bird pricing is available until the end of April.</p>
<p>DR. PURPURA <i>Parks & Recreation</i></p>	<p>Cason Family Park Grand Opening will be held on May 22.</p> <p>During the Parks and Recreation Meeting, a couple of research studies were approved that are going on at the Celery Bog. Research studies, with approval, can be conducted there.</p> <p>It's been an active and busy week at the Wellness Center with a transition from winter sports to spring. The egg hunt was held on Saturday with 25,000 eggs that the kids scooped up quickly.</p>
<p>MR. WANG <i>Community Council</i></p>	<p>The Community Council met last week. Representations present for the meeting were from the local libraries, Purdue's First Lady's office, the WLCSC Superintendent and Principals which made for a very good meeting.</p>
<p>MRS. WITT <i>West Lafayette Schools Education Foundation (WLSEF)</i></p>	<p>A reminder that the ISBA Regional Meeting is on May 5 at the Beck Agricultural Center.</p> <p>Notes from WLSEF:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The final tally from the March 1 Scarlet and Gray Dinner and Auction was \$47,000. Wendi, WLSEF Director, extends her gratitude to all who participated. ● The Teacher Grant Committee sent out notifications to all who applied for a Grant and six were fully funded with a total of

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	<p>\$5,724.99. The total awarded to West Lafayette teachers this school year is \$12,484.50.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Wall of Pride Class experienced two great days on Thursday, April 10 and Friday, April 11. The honorees met with classes and participated in other various activities. ● WLSEF will host the Annual Scholarship Reception on Thursday, May 22 to recognize this year's scholarship recipients and the donors who provide the scholarships for the seniors.
DR. YIN G.L.A.S.S.	G.L.A.S.S. will hold their next meeting tomorrow at 2 p.m. and the public is welcome to attend and provide comments.
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VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS	
WORK SESSION	Monday, May 12, 2025 at 5 p.m.
REGULAR MEETING	Monday, May 12, 2025 at 6 p.m.

IX. UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST	
Snow Make-up Day #2- No School	Friday, April 18, 2025
End of School Year- 4th 9-Week Grading Period Ends	Wednesday, May 21, 2025
Snow Make-up Day #3- No School	Thursday, May 22, 2025
Snow Make-up Day #4- No School	Friday, May 23, 2025
High School Graduation	Friday, May 23, 2025

X. INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC	
<p>Board documents will be posted on the WLCSC website as early as Friday afternoon and no later than noon on the Monday prior to the Board meeting.</p> <p>Video, audio and written transcript will be posted within 7-10 days following the Board meeting.</p>	

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XI. ADJOURNMENT	
TIME	The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.
MOTION BY	Mrs. Witt
SECONDED BY	Mr. Lyle
VOTE	7 of 7; The motion passed. Yes: Austin, Lyle, Mumford, Purpura, Wang, Witt and Yin
TIME STAMP	3:39:14

President

Secretary

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