APPROVED

White River School District

Minutes

Regular Meeting

Board of Directors Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday October 8, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location
District Board/Conference Room
310 River Avenue North, Buckley, WA 98321
or via Zoom (to request access via Zoom, call 360 829-3814)

Directors Present
Cassie Pearson, Denise Vogel, James Johnson, Karen Bunker, Matt Scheer

Directors Absent
None

Guests Present
Maiden Greene, Scott Harrison

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Denise Vogel called a meeting of the board of directors of White River School District to order on Wednesday Oct 8, 2025 at 5:30 PM.

B.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

C. Record Attendance/Roll Call

Under Roll Call, all members were present.

D. Approve Agenda

Cassie Pearson made a motion to approve the agenda.
Karen Bunker seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Approve the Minutes of the September 10, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

James Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting on 09-10-25.
Matt Scheer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

F. Approve the Minutes of the September 24, 2025 Board Study Session Meeting

James Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from Study Session Meeting on 09-24-25.
Matt Scheer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Announcements and Recognition

A. Board and Superintendent Highlights

Superintendent Harrsion shared that White River High School band this year was the largest in White River School District history. President Vogel expressed her gratitude to the school teams for their hard work on these programs.

B. October 17, 2025 No School- Staff Professional Development Day

C. Next Study Session Meeting October 22, 2025, 5:30 p.m. at DDC Board Conference Room

D. Board and Superintendent's Star Award Presentations

Board and Superintendents's Star Award Presentation- Students were honored as follows: Glacier Middle- Elizabeth Kirst; Wilkeson- Maverick Munoz; Foothills-Emerson Almont; Mountain Meadow- Julian Wang; Elk Ridge- Jasiah Sayers and White River High School- Corbin Stotts.

III. Highlight

A. WRHS ASB Activities Report

White River High School leadership students presented information on events that have been occurring at the high school. They have a College Fair/Open House where students were able to get information on colleges and interact with new interactive trade booths. They went over the homecoming festivities to include the Coronation, Spirit Days, lunch activities, posters, assemblies, the parade, the game and dance. They gave an update on the FFA, NHS, Unified, ASB, DECA, Leadership, FLOC, and Skills USA clubs as well as on fall athletics. Upcoming events include Halloween Spirit Week, the Battle of the Bridge football game, and a Welcome to District event. The upcoming game schedule for sports was also shared. Superintendent Harrison thanked the students for all their hard work on school spirit and student involvement.

B. Glacier Middle School Leadership Report

Glacier Middle School leadership students gave an update on activities and events occurring and will be occurring at Glacier Middle School. They gave an update on the Fall sports season, Tip Off, 6th Grade Jumpstart and Homecoming Spirit week. They shared the work of the Social, Assembly, Student Management, and Service Committees. They will be doing the Candy Bracket and Socktober again. Additionally, this year, they decided to hold a social event instead of a dance to encourage more student participation.

C. SkillsUSA Nationals Winner

SkillsUSA Club advisor, Zzachary Mcdonell, introduced students Corbin Stotts and Sydnee Holoshyk to the board, attended the SkillsUSA National Competition. Corbin took second place in the Action Skills Job Demo competition in Nationals! He is also the first WRHS student to have made it to the podium at Nationals. Sydnee is one of the youngest National delegates and won a Statesman award. The students came up and shared their experiences from the competition.

D. CTE Update

Cheryl Ohlde, CTE Director, presented Career and Technical Education information to the board. She shared who the teachers were, the programs the district has, Industry Recognized Credentials and Dual credit courses. Amazing things are happening in the CTE department, and students came up to highlight the Athletic Training course and how they are able to shadow the district athletic trainer during, and it has been a great experience to be able to see all the parts involved in being an Athletic Trainer. Cheryl shared upcoming events for the department- a Spring Fling Event and a CTE Fall Advisory meeting.

They are looking at the following for the future:

- Continual Growth and Expansion of Programs
- Growth in our Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs)
    - Added- SKills USA Video Productions-Advisor Keelynn Turgeon
    - FCCLA- New Advisor Brooke VanDoren-Marcoe
- Expansion of Community Events- Spring Fling May 9th
- Internships and Job Shadow experiences for Students– 3rd year students. Continue the growth of Internships in Video III, and Athletic Training Job Shadow.
- Approval of 2025-2026 District Wide CTE Plan, which will be going up for approval under the action and reports portion of this eveing's board meeting.

She thanked everyone for their continued support.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Actual Vouchers Issued September, 2025

B. Approve Payroll Issued September 30, 2025

C. Approve Personnel Report

D. Acceptance of Final Completion

E. Vote on Consent Agenda Items

Matt Scheer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items.
Cassie Pearson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Action and Reports

A. Approve Resolution 25-17- Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy

Matt Scheer made a motion to approve Resolution 25-17- Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy.
James Johnson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Approve Resolution 25-18- Replacement Capital Projects Levy

Karen Bunker made a motion to approve Resolution 25-18- Replacement Capital Projects Levy.
James Johnson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C.

Approve overnight travel for a WRHS AVID class to do a college tour of Central Washington University on October 23, 2025

Karen Bunker made a motion to approve overnight travel for a WRHS AVID class to do a college tour of Central Washington University on October 23, 2025.
Matt Scheer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Approve out-of-state travel for Janel Ross and Jen Schutz to attend the 2026 Annual Visible Learning Conference in Nashville from July 14-16, 2026

James Johnson made a motion to approve out-of-state travel for Janel Ross and Jen Schutz to attend the 2026 Annual Visible Learning Conference in Nashville from July 14-16, 2026.
Karen Bunker seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Approve Donation of $25,000 from the Community Presbyterian Church to the WRSD Backpack Program

James Johnson made a motion to approve the donation of $25,000 from the Community Presbyterian Church to the WRSD Backpack Program.
Cassie Pearson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

F. Approve out-of-state travel for Ron Fenili and Garrett Roe to attend the 2026 National K-12 Cybersecurity Leadership Conference, Feb 24-26, in Albuquerque, NM

Matt Scheer made a motion to approve the out-of-state travel for Ron Fenili and Garrett Roe to attend the 2026 National K-12 Cybersecurity Leadership Conference, Feb 24-26, in Albuquerque, NM.
Cassie Pearson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

G. Approve out-of-state travel for the White River High School Cheerleading team to travel to Anaheim, CA, February 19-21, 2026, to compete in the Cheer National Competition

Denise Vogel made a motion to approve out-of-state travel for the White River High School Cheerleading team to travel to Anaheim, CA, February 19-21, 2026, to compete in the Cheer National Competition.
Karen Bunker seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

H. Approve out-of-state travel for the WRHS Jazz Band to participate in the Buddy DeFranco Jazz Festival in Missoula, MT, March 12–14, 2026

James Johnson made a motion to approve out-of-state travel for the WRHS Jazz Band to participate in the Buddy DeFranco Jazz Festival in Missoula, MT, March 12–14, 2026.
Matt Scheer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

I. Approve Plans of Support for Out of Endorsement Assignments for: Garrett Anderson, Kirsten Anderson, Matthew Benjamin, Diana Blakley, Luis Cardenas, Bo Dudley, Renee Eames, Christian Erickson, Amanda Kelly, Jessica Kuzan, Katelynn Lambdin, Michelle Maloy, Sam Marcoe, Nathan Packard, Jake Roten, Madeline Six, Heather Smith, Carolyn Stehling, James Taylor, Lisa Tyler, Payton Mitchell

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Matt Scheer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

J. Approve District-Wide CTE Plan

Cassie Pearson made a motion to approve District-Wide CTE Plan.
James Johnson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VI. Board Policy Considerations

A. First Reading of Policy 3210- Nondiscrimination (revisions/updates to)

Board Policy 3210- Nondiscrimination was presented for first reading. Executive Director of Human Resources, Sunday Ferris, provided information in the packet. If there are any questions, the board can reach out to her. The policy will be put up for a second reading and approval at the next regular board meeting.

B. First Reading of Policy 5010- Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action (revisions/updates to)

Board Policy 5010- Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action was presented for first reading. Executive Director of Human Resources, Sunday Ferris, provided information in the packet. If there are any questions, the board can reach out to her. The policy will be put up for a second reading and approval at the next regular board meeting.

C. First Reading of Board Policy 2230- Transition to Kindergarten Program (new)

1. Board Policy 2230- Transition to Kindergarten Program was presented for first reading. Assistant Superintendent, Heather McMullen shared information with the

board and that this was a new policy that was prompted by HB 1550. Key features include:

- Transition to Kindergarten (TTK) is a legislatively established and authorized program for children at least four years old by August 31 who have been identified as needing additional preparation to be successful kindergarten students the following school year.
- Model policy is aligned with RCW 28A.300.072 and Chapter 392-425 WAC (WSSDA Revisions July 2025)

If there are any questions, the board can reach out to her. The policy will be put up for a second reading and approval at the next regular board meeting.

VII. Closing Items

A. Board/Superintendent Comments

President Vogel asked how the board can better support the district, if there is anything they can do to be more helpful with legislation, and to please let them know. She also shared that she attended the College Fair, it was fun and that kids were really engaged and running from booth to booth to get information. She also noticed that students were really helpful with setting up. It was so nice to see that.

B. Adjourn Meeting

James Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm.
Matt Scheer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maiden Greene