



Washington Junior High School

WJHS Home & School Board Approved Minutes

Wednesday, February 19th at 8:30am

1. Call to Order at 8:36am
  - a. In attendance: Melinda Watson, Emily Kozlowski, Justin Kozlowski, Kathryn Pegorsch, Jepharya Badie, Jon Vogel, Kelly Duncan, Kelly Kirch
2. President's Report: Melinda Watson
  - a. Transitions: Are you continuing with your committee?
    - i. Exec Board will be reaching out to you
      1. [Intentions for 2025-26 School Year](#)
      2. Please respond to the above link as soon as possible.
    - ii. Slate for 2025-2026 Executive Board is presented at the March meeting
      1. Both for General H&S and WJHS Board
  - b. We are starting to contact feeder schools for transition meetings.
    - i. Prairie, May 13th at 9am
  - c. Budget planning has begun - will be presenting the proposed budget today.
  - d. Upcoming dates
    1. No School February 17th (Presidents' Day)
    2. Board of Education meeting February 18th
    3. February 19th, scheduling opens for junior high parent-teacher conferences.
    4. WJHS Open House February 19th, 6:30-8pm
    5. No School Institute Day February 28th
    6. No School March 6th and 7th (Parent-Teacher conferences)
    7. Board of Education Meeting March 10th
    8. Board of Education Meeting March 24th
    9. No School March 31st-April 4th (Spring Break)
    10. 8th Grade Gala (Dance), April 25th at 7pm
  - e. District News
    1. Block Scheduling was discussed. Mr. Vogel can elaborate.
    2. There are FAQs on the district website.
3. Vice President's Report: Kathryn Pegorsch
  - a. 8th Grade events are coming up, has been in contact with the committee chairs and gave them their list of volunteers.
4. Treasurer's Report: Justin Kozlowski
  - a. Approval of [January 2025](#)
    - i. 1st Motion: Kelly Kirch
    - ii. 2nd Motion: Kathryn Pegorsch
    - iii. Approved

- iv. February 19, 2025 balance: \$51,897.27
- b. Budget being presented today, voted on in March
  - i. Proposed budget [2025-2026 Budget](#)

5. Secretary's Report: Emily Kozlowski

- a. Approval of [UnapprovedMinutes1.15.25.docx](#)
  - i. 1st Motion: Jepharya Badie
  - ii. 2nd Motion: Justin Kolzowski
  - iii. Approved:
- b. Correspondence
  - i. "You're so good to us! DELICIOUS cupcakes, thank you for warming our February afternoon." Mrs. Mullin
  - ii. 5th grade students and teachers sent thank you notes for the puzzle table we purchased from the wish list.
  - iii. "Good morning-  
 I wanted to thank the Washington Home and School for the condolence card and donation made to my brother in law's memorial fund.  
 I appreciate your kindness and generosity during this difficult time.  
 Sincerely,  
 Det. Neil Desmond #8906"

6. Principal's Report: Jon Vogel

- a. Block scheduling and change in arrival and departure
  - i. There has been significant push back from the community and staff.
    - 1. Start and end times for elementary students are a problem. We do not have enough buses to start elementary and high school at the same time. Have to consider after school events/sports when figuring out when school starts.
    - 2. There is a concern that club sports may be affected.
- b. Open House is tonight, February 19th, 6:30pm-8pm
  - i. Scavenger Hunt, get stamps and be entered in a raffle to win a prize.
  - ii. Anderson's Book Fair will be going on in the LC.
  - iii. This is an event for the whole family.
- c. 8th Grade girls basketball is playing at NNHS tonight.

7. Committee Reports

- a. Verbal reports
- b. Written reports
  - i. **Staff Appreciation:**
    - 1. We celebrated our school counselors, Caysea Easley, Kelley Markwell and Tim Panaga the week of 2/3 with gifts.
    - 2. We brought in Area 51 cupcakes for the staff on 2/13 for a Valentine's Day treat.
    - 3. We will soon be planning Teacher Appreciation week which occurs in May.
  - ii. **Lost & Found**
    - 1. Our color coded system is going great!
  - iii. **Spirit Wear**

1. Our spirit wear rep (Deb's embroidery) will be at our open house on Wednesday. She will have products to sell and take custom orders.

8. Adjournment at 9:31am

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, March 19th at 9:30am