West Holmes Knights



Board of Education

October 20, 2025
MILLERSBURG ELEMENTARY

ERIC JURKOVIC, SUPERINTENDENT JAMIE MULLET, TREASURER

MEMBERS: ANDREW JONES, HANS RAMSEYER, PATRICIA SAGE, JOEL YODER, TINA ZICKEFOOSE

BOARD OF EDUCATION WEST HOLMES LOCAL SCHOOLS AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2025 – 6:00 p.m. MILLERSBURG ELEMENTARY

I. CALL TO ORDER

II.	ROLL CALL	1			
	Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	Zickefoose
III.	PLEDGE OI	F ALLEGIANCE	,		
IV.	APPROVAL	/ADJUSTMENT	S TO AGENDA	A	
	Motion by			Seconde	ad by
	Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	ed byZickefoose
V. A	APPROVAL O	F MINUTES			
	A. Minutes o	of the Regular Mee	eting held Septe	mber 15, 2025 atta	iched to this agenda.
	Motion by			Seconde	ed by
	Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	ed byZickefoose
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	Roll Call:				
	Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	Zickefoose
VII	. TREASURI	ER'S REPORT			
	"A". B. Financial 30, 2025	l Report by Fund o – Enclosed report l of Financial Sun	of Expenditures marked "B".	and Unencumbere	30, 2025 – Enclosed sheet marke d Balances as of September er 30, 2025 – Enclosed report
				Seconde	ed by
	Discussion:				
	Roll Call:				
	Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	Zickefoose

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Lane Taylor - 4th Grade

5. K-5 Building Update

- 1. Committee Reports of the West Holmes Board of Education
- 2. FFA Update
- 3. Food Service Compliance with Nutritional Standards Report Dawn Martin
- 4. Stephen Fowler Millersburg Elementary Principal
 - Perfect Scores State Testing

Math
Oliver Ertle - 5th Grade
Mason Hernandez - 4th Grade
Ben Kaster - 4th Grade
Corbin Marner - 5th Grade
Ginnie Roland - 4th Grade
Moira Steiner - 5th Grade

VIII. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Policy Attached)

IX. OLD BUSINESS

Motion by _			Secondo	Seconded by			
Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	Zickefoose	_		

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval to update the following Board Policies without an initial reading due to their due date of September 30, 2025:
 - 1. BF Board Policy Development and Adoption
 - 2. DBD Budget Planning
 - 3. DE Revenues From Tax Sources
 - 4. DJC Bidding Requirements
 - 5. DLC Expense Reimbursements
 - 6. EBC Emergency Management and Safety Plans
 - 7. EEAC School Bus Safety Program
 - 8. EEAC-R Student Conduct on District Managed Transportation
 - 9. EEACD Drug Testing for Motor Van Drivers and District Personnel Required to Hold a Commercial Driver's License
 - 10. EEAD Non-Routine Use of School Buses and Motor Vans
 - 11. EHA District Records Commission, Records Retention and Disposal
 - 12. EHC Cybersecurity
 - 13. FD Tax Issues

- 14. FEF Construction Contracts Bidding and Awards
- 15. GBQ Criminal Records Check
- 16. GCI Professional Staff Assignments and Transfers
- 17. IGBB Programs for Students Who are Gifted
- 18. IGBEA Reading Skills Assessments and Intervention
- 19. IGBEA-R Reading Skills Assessment and Intervention
- 20. IGD Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities
- 21. IGDJ Interscholastic Athletics
- 22. IKA Grading Systems
- 23. IKE Promotion and Retention of Students
- 24. IKEB Acceleration
- 25. IND/INDA School Ceremonies and Observances/Patriotic Exercises
- 26. JECBB Interdistrict Open Enrollment (Statewide)
- 27. JED Student Absences and Excuses
- 28. JEDA Truancy
- 29. JEDC Religious Expression Days
- 30. JEFB Released Time for Religious Instruction
- 31. JHG Reporting Child Abuse and Mandatory Training
- 32. KBA Public's Right to Know
- B. Approval of the updates to the Special Education Model Policies and Procedures.
- C. Approval for the West Holmes Robotics team to compete at the Robotics Signature event at Kalahari Resorts and Conventions January 22, 2026 January 24, 2026, in Sandusky, Ohio.
- D. Approval of the Resolution of West Holmes Local School District donating the music departments golf cart to the Music Boosters.
- E. Approval of the resolution for the treasurer to attend sunshine laws training and obtain appropriate certification on behalf of the board.

Motion by			Seconded by		
Discussion:					
Roll Call: Jones	_ Ramseyer	_ Sage	Yoder	_Zickefoose	

XI. PERSONNEL ACTIONS

A. HIRING

Kelsey Runkle – Teacher – effective 10/1/25 - 5 hours/day

B. RESIGNATION

Tamie Conkle – Cook – effective 9/12/25

Michael Molnar – Head Softball Coach – effective 10/2/25

Michael Molnar – Head Golf Coach – effective the end of the fall 2025 golf season

Nicole Strouse – MS Girls Soccer Coach – effective 9/22/25

C. <u>SUBSTITUTES</u>

 $Laura\ Irwin-Teacher/Custodian/Cook/Aide/Secretary-effective\ 9/16/25$ $Jolene\ Haudenschild-Cook-effective\ 10/10/25\ and\ Non-Degree\ Teacher\ Sub-effective\ 10/16/25$

D. SUPPLEMENTAL

Nicole Strouse – MS Girls Soccer – prorated pay for reduced time due to resigning mid-season Nathaniel Wade – MS Girls Soccer – prorated pay for finishing the remainder of the season

Boys Basketball

Varsity Head Coach – Ben Belden Varsity Assistant Coach – Mekhi Johnson JV Coach – Channer Wells Varsity Volunteer – Toby Yoder Varsity Volunteer – Donnie Dowling Varsity Volunteer – Stew Sabine

MS Head Coach- Darrin Yerian MS Assistant Coach- Peyton McKinney MS Volunteer – Bud Yoder

Girls Basketball

Varsity Head Coach – Lindsy Belden Varsity Assistant Coach – Tennille Cline JV Coach – Nate Wade Varsity Volunteer – Adam Garver

MS Head Coach— Evan Aurand MS Assistant Coach— Clay Miller MS Assistant Coach— Mary Day

Wrestling

Varsity Head Coach – Scott Vaughn
Varsity Assistant Coach – Logan Stanley
JV Coach – Tyler Masters
Varsity Volunteer – Steve Goans
Varsity Volunteer – Brad McCluggage
Varsity Volunteer – Corbin Miller
Varsity Volunteer – Ashton Eyler
Varsity Volunteer – Tim McClintock

MS Head Coach – Justin Wilcox MS Assistant Coach – Justin Ross (1/2 contract) MS Assistant Coach -Tyler Hoover (1/2 contract)

Cheerleading

Varsity Head Coach – Raven Wilcox Varsity Assistant Coach – Beth Lemon MS Head Coach – Jamie Aufrance MS Assistant Coach – Tiffany Conner

Bowling

Varsity Head Coach – Chris Young Varsity Volunteer – Zach Medley

Motion b	ру		econded by	
Discussion	on:			
Roll Call	:			
Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	Zickefoose
XV. NEXT	MEETING			
	mber 10, 2025 ville Elementary			
XVI. ADJO	URNMENT			
Motion b	у		Second	ed by
Jones	Ramseyer	Sage	Yoder	Zickefoose
Future Meetings				
	High School			

D January 12 High School

February 17 Killbuck ** Date changed from original date**

March 16 Nashville Middle School April 20 May 18 High School June 15 - 7:30 a.m. High School July 20 – 7:30 a.m. High School

File: BDDH (Also KD)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings of the Board and Board-appointed committees are open to the public.

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted at each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted five minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board, present and voting.

Agendas are available to all those who attend Board meetings. The section on the agenda for public participation shall be indicated. Noted at the bottom of each agenda shall be a short paragraph outlining the Board's policy on public participation at Board meetings.

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CROSS REFS.: BCE, Board Committees

BD, School Board Meetings

BDDC, Agenda Preparation and Dissemination

WEST HOLMES LOCAL SCHOOLS 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR



Work Day

18 - All Staff In-Service Day

19 - Teacher Work Day 20 - First Day of School

11 Staff Days 8 Student days

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13/15 - HS/MS PT Conferences

14/16 - Elementary PT Confrences

16 - End of 1#9 Weeks

17 - Teacher In-Service Day

24 - Report Card sent home

23 Staff Days 22 Student Days

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1 - Conference Comp Day 22-31 - Christmas Break

15 Staff Days 14 Student Days

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9/11 – Elementary PT Conferences 10/12 – HS/MS PT Conferences

12 - Midterm

13 - Teacher In-Service Day

16 - President's Day

19 Staff Days 18 Student Days

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1-3 – Spring Break

6 - Conference Comp Day

24 - Midterm

19 Staff Days

18 Student Days

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19 - Midterm

21 Staff Days 21 Student Days

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14 - Midterm

26-28 Thanksgiving Break

17 Staff Days 17 Student Days

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1-2 - Christmas Break

5 - First Day Back in 2026

9 - End of 2nd 9 Weeks

16 – Report Card sent home 19 – MLK Day

19 Staff Days 19 Student Days

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20 - End of 3rd 9 Weeks 27 - Report Card sent home

30-31 - Spring Break

20 Staff Days 20 Student Days

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8 - Teacher In-Service Day

17 - Graduation

25 - Memorial Day

28 - Last Day of School

29 - Teacher Work Day

20 Staff Days 18 Student Days

JULY 2026

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w Days 6+ will be Remote Learning days

Total Hours/Day Length MHS 6.3 hrs. 6.0 hrs.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 WEST HOLMES BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4. MOTION TO APPROVE ADJUSTMENT TO AGENDA
- 5. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES
- 6. APPROVAL OF CORRESPONDENCE AND DONATIONS
- 7. MOTION TO APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT
- 8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
- 9. GUEST PARTICIPATION
- 10. MOTION TO APPROVE NEW BUSINESS
- 11. MOTION TO APPROVE PERSONNEL ACTIONS
- 12. MOTION TO ADJOURN
 - 1. The regular meeting of the West Holmes Board of Education was called to order at West Holmes High School.
 - 2. Roll Call: Andrew Jones, Hans Ramseyer, Patricia Sage, Joel Yoder, Tina Zickefoose

ABSENT: None

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Tina Zickefoose made a motion that was seconded by Andrew Jones to approve the removal of sections Executive Session and Return from Executive Session from the board agenda.

Yeas: Jones, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose

Nays: None Motion: Carried

- 5. Patricia Sage made a motion that was seconded by Joel Yoder to approve the minutes of the following meeting as follows:
 - A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 18, 2025 attached to this agenda.
 - B. Minutes of the Records Commission Meeting held on August 18, 2025 attached to this agenda.

Yeas: Jones, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose

Nays: None Motion: Carried

- 6. Andrew Jones made a motion that was seconded by Tina Zickefoose to approve the Correspondence & Donations as follows:
 - A. Nashville Elementary would like to thank Bigelow United Methodist Church for their donation of \$200 to purchase headphones for students.
 - B. Lakeville Elementary would like to thank Bigelow United Methodist Church for their donation for playground balls, composition notebooks, and chapstick for students.
 - C. Lakeville Elementary would like to thank the following organizations for their donations to the Friday food bag program: Love Inc., Lakeville and Loudonville United Methodist

Church and Millersburg Eagles Aerie.

D. Nashville Elementary would like to thank the following organizations for their donations to the Friday food bag program: Millersburg Eagles Aerie 2418, Northside Church, Nashville Church of Christ, Ripley Church of Christ, NewPointe Community Church, Buckeye Deli, and Holmes Wayne Electric Foundation.

Yeas: Jones, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose

Nays: None Motion: Carried

- 7. Joel Yoder made a motion that was seconded by Patricia Sage to approve the Treasurer's Report as follows:
 - A. Month End Reconciliation and Investments as of August 31, 2025 Enclosed sheet marked "A".
 - B. Financial Report by Fund of Expenditures and Unencumbered Balances as of August 31, 2025 Enclosed report marked "B".
 - C. Approval of Financial Summary for Month ending August 31, 2025 Enclosed report marked "C".
 - D. Approval of the forecast.

Yeas: Jones, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose

Nays: None Motion: Carried

- 8. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. Committee Reports of the West Holmes Board of Education
 Patricia Sage provided an update form the Music Boosters. The visitor side concessions are
 going well and they are asking for donations to offset the price of the new side by side and
 wrapping of it in school colors.
 - 2. FFA Update
 - 3. Curriculum Update

Kiana Leppla shared the focus for middle and high on scope and sequence in teaching the standards. Wit and Wisdom is being piloted in grades 3 to 5 through November for language arts. This is the same program being used by Kindergarten to 2nd grade and the goal is to align and have all elementary using the same program. All ISS and title teachers went through Wilson training last week and 5 teachers have been identified to do the next level training. Literacy coaches now are holding office hours in all the elementary buildings to provide time for teachers to ask for help.

4. New Staff Update

Austin Brannon Thaddeus Weaver Katelyn Eppley D. Tyler Masters Katelyn Fraley Megan Warne Kiana Leppla Malinda Johnson Clayton Zimmerly Rosanna Miller Kenna Warner Chloe Ueltschy William Cox Gary Lehr Nicole Ervin Tamie Conkle Debora Vance Kristina Flener Megan Arnold Tracy Hahn Katelyn Schwartz

Peyton McKinney Pamela Dowling

5. K-5 Building Update

K-5 Building Update: Steel joists and veneer are currently being done while the masons are finishing up the block. Water lines and HVAC work is also in progress. The project continues to be on schedule for opening in August of 2026 and within the projected budget.

6. Safety Update

Centegix has installed safety awareness mechanisms in the middle and high schools. They have been tested, and tested again during the board meeting to share what happens. The system provides immediate notification to school administration and/or safety forces necessary depending on the type of situation. The system has already been used twice for in-house issues needing response from the administration during the school day. The new elementary will also have this system.

9. Guests/Public Participation:

Cody Shriver spoke on behalf of the West Holmes Youth Baseball board regarding the Nashville baseball field. He wanted to share the interest of the Nashville Church of Christ in the fields and willingness to provide availability to the baseball program. He noted they have their own electric but the water supply comes from Nashville School.

Guests:

Dawn Martin	Pam Dowling	Brooke Fox	Nicole Ervin
Katie Schwartz	Kenna Warner	Kiana Leppla	Clayton Zimmerly
Joanna Zimmerly	Mitch Neece	Mindy Johnson	Rosanna Miller
Kim Miller	Matt Root	Coreena Johnson	Chloe Ueltschy
Kevin Wolf	Scott Pringle	Brian Lash	Cody Shriver
Carrie Maltarich	Ezra Day		•

- 10. Andrew Jones made a motion that was seconded by Tina Zickefoose to approve the following new business:
 - A. Approval of Bus Routing Plan Approval of the bus routes and stops, and authorizes the Superintendent or his designee to designate or relocate stops as deemed necessary.
 - B. Request authorization to function as district representatives for West Holmes Schools for the following people:

Scott Musser, Principal and Jennifer Moore, Assistant Principal at Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center

Crystal Payne, Education Director at Holmes County Training Center

Laurie Hall and Chase Rosser, ECOESC Pre School Director

Shannon Lange, Director of Education Dale Roy School

- C. Approval of the following FFA trips:
 - a. Greenhand FFA Camp, September 28-30, 2025
 - b. National FFA Convention, October 28 November 1, 2025
 - c. Greenhand Lock In, November 7-8, 2025
 - d. Greenhand Initiation, November 17, 2025
 - e. Mission Impact Leadership Conference, January 17-18, 2026
 - f. National Western Livestock Exhibition, January 14-19, 2026
 - g. State FFA Convention, April 30 May 1, 2026
 - h. Annual FFA Banquet, May 9, 2026
 - i. Ohio Leadership Camp, June 19-22, 2026
 - j. Officer Retreat, Mid July 2026
- D. Approval of the OMUN overnight trip December 7-9, 2025 in Columbus, Ohio.
- E. Approval of the FCCLA Officer Conference October 20-22, 2025 in Perrysville, Ohio
- F. Approval of the 2025-2026 Cafeteria Handbook.
- G. Approval of a Resolution declaring the impracticality of transportation for student Kinsley Galford to Wooster Christian School, 1701 Dover Rd., Wooster, Ohio 44691 and to provide the family payment in lieu of transportation in the amount of \$1100.00 per student per year.

Yeas: Jones, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose

Nays: None Motion: Carried

11. Joel Yoder made a motion that was seconded by Patricia Sage to approve the following Personnel Actions:

A. Approval of one-year contract for the 2025-2026 school year:

Robert Porter - Truancy Officer

Middle School – PBIS Stipend

Sara Sponsellor-Uhl (1/2) Mindy Hans (1/2)

B. HIRING

Nicole Ervin – Custodian – effective pending background check

Gary Lehr – Bus Driver – effective 8/18/25

Tamie Conkle – Cook – effective 8/19/25

Kristina Flener – Cook – effective 8/19/25

 $Debora\ Vance-Cook-effective\ 8/20/25$

Megan Arnold – Cook – effective 8/19/25

Tracy Hahn – Cook – effective 9/2/25

Pamela Dowling – Bus Driver – effective 8/18/25

Peyton McKinney – Paraprofessional – effective 9/8/25

C. RESIGNATION

Cody Starr – Paraprofessional – effective 8/8/25

Megan Stocker – Cook – effective 8/10/25

Valentine Spencer – Cook – effective 8/18/25

Bruce Murphy – Mechanic – effective 8/14/25

Lisa Lang – Teacher – effective 9/12/25

D. SUBSTITUTES

Jacob Goudy – Non-Degree Teacher Sub – effective 8/20/25

Tina Pringle – Cook – effective 9/4/25

Pattie Kidney – Temporary Substitute Teacher – effective 9/4/25

E. UNIVERSITY STUDENT OBSERVATION and/or STUDENT TEACHER

Aila Miller – Millersburg Elementary - observation

Katelynn Wade – Millersburg Elementary - observation

Crystal Lovell – Killbuck Elementary – student teacher

Molly Snyder - WHHS - student teacher

F. <u>SUPPLEMENTAL</u>

LPDC

Brian Baughman Kiana Leppla Brian Lash Loren Williams

Suzanne Goudy Josh Wengerd Courtney Cooper

Yeas: Jones, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose

Nays: None Motion: Carried 12. Motion was made by Tina Zickefoose and seconded by Patricia Sage to adjourn.

Yeas: Jones, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose

Nays: None Motion: Carried

/s/Walter Ramseyer

President, Board of Education

/s/Jamie Mullet

Treasurer

RESOLUTION

The Board of Education of the West Holmes Local School District, Holmes County, met in regular session this 15th day of September, 2025, with the following members present:

Andrew Jones

Hans Ramseyer

Patricia Sage

Joel Yoder

Tina Zickefoose

Andrew Jones moved and Tina Zickehose seconded the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION TO BE IMPRACTICABLE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 3327 of the Ohio Revised Code requires the Board to provide transportation to eligible students, including eligible students attending non-public schools; and

WHEREAS, Section 3327.02 of the Ohio Revised Code permits the Board to declare transportation of eligible students to be impracticable in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the student identified below has been determined to be a resident of this District and eligible for transportation services; and

WHEREAS, after a careful evaluation of all available options, including all factors set forth in Section 3327.02, the Board has determined that it is impracticable to provide transportation for this student to their selected school; and

WHEREAS, the Board considered all factors set forth in Section 3327.02 and specifically finds the following, individually or collectively, support a finding of impracticability:

- The time and distance required to provide transportation: Students are eligible for transportation if the route would take 30 minutes or less from their home school within the District to their school of choice. In this case, the route took 28 minutes, which makes the student eligible, but supports impracticability as a long nonpublic route.
- The number of pupils to be transported: Only one student is seeking transportation to the school, making it inefficient for the Board to run a route.
- The cost of providing transportation: Providing busing on the requested route would require the District to hire another driver. The District has already been forced to consolidate routes and is still short one driver even for its in-District routes.
- Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules: The Board would have to remove a driver from one of its in-District routes in order to serve this non-public route. Given the driver shortage state-wide, this would result in the inability to transport all students attending West Holmes schools; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code permits districts to offer parents payment in lieu of transportation when a board declares transportation to be impracticable;`

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for the reasons set forth in this Resolution, the Board determines it is impracticable to transport Kinsley Galford to Wooster Christian School, 1071 Dover Rd., Wooster, Ohio 44691.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board offers the parents/guardians of the abovenamed student's payment in lieu of transportation in the amount of \$1,100.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of the Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were open to the public when required by law, in full compliance with the law.

UPON ROLL CALL, on passage of the foregoing resolution, the vote was as follows:

	Yea	No
Andrew Jones		<u> </u>
Hans Ramseyer	X	-
Patricia Sage		
Joel Yoder		
Tina Zickefoose		

Treasurer's Certification

The foregoing is a true and correct excerpt from the minutes of a special meeting of the Board of Education of the West Holmes Local School District, Holmes County, conducted on September 15, 2025.

Treasurer Treasurer