West Holmes Knights

Board of Education

OCTOBER 19, 2026

WEST HOLMES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ERIC JURKOVIC, SUPERINTENDENT
JAMIE MULLET, TREASURER

MEMBERS: EZRA DAY, WALTER RAMSEYER, PATRICIA SAGE,
JOEL YODER, TINA ZICKEFOOSE

BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEST HOLMES LOCAL SCHOOLS
AGENDA - OCTOBER 19, 2026
WORK SESSION – 5:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.
WEST HOLMES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Please accept this as the required notice of a Work Session on Monday, October 19, 2026 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (prior to the Board Meeting already scheduled for this night) for the purpose of West Holmes School Board Members Professional Development.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose

II. ROLL CALL

Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose

III. MOTION TO ENTER THE WORK SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF WEST HOLMES SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose

IV. MOTION TO ADJORN THE WORK SESSION AND ENTER THE REGULAR MEETING.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose

V. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose

VI. ROLL CALL

Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

VII. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VIII. APPROVAL/ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

IX. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 21, 2026 attached to this agenda.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

X. CORRESPONDENCE & DONATIONS

A. Thank you to The Little Cottage Company in Berlin for the donation of four poly benches for the home sideline of the football field.
B. Please accept our heartfelt condolences on the loss of Robert Oswald. Thank you for inviting family and friends to donate to our Angel Fund in his memory in lieu of flowers. These thoughtful gifts help provide meals for West Holmes students. We are grateful for your family's kindness and honored that Robert's memory will live on through support for our students. Thank you to the following for donating in memory of Robert Oswald; Commercial & Savings Bank, Deb & Keith Berner, Jill Smith and Michael & Joan Emick.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

XI. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Month End Reconciliation and Investments as of September 30, 2026 – Enclosed sheet marked "A".
B. Financial Report by Fund of Expenditures and Unencumbered Balances as of September 30, 2026 – Enclosed report marked "B".
C. Approval of Financial Summary for Month ending September 30, 2026 – Enclosed report marked "C".

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Discussion:

Roll Call:
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

XII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Committee Reports of the West Holmes Board of Education
2. FFA Update
3. Food Service Compliance with Nutritional Standards Report – Dawn Martin
4. Review of the 2026-2027 Cafeteria Handbook.
5. Mary Louise Kick
6. West Holmes Elementary – Perfect Score State Testing

Killbuck
James Storm - 3rd Grade - Math
Oakley Eastep - 4th Grade - Math
Sadie Nickles - 4th Grade - Math
Calen Cottrell – 5th Grade - ELA

Lakeville
Jedyyx Spurlock – 3rd Grade - Math
Elise Cicconetti – 3rd Grade - Math
Korbin McKee – 4th Grade - Math

Millersburg
Elliot Miller – 3rd Grade - Math
Kiersten Miller – 3rd Grade - Math
Philip Schau – 3rd Grade - Math
Brooklyn Giauque – 4th Grade - Math
Nevaeh Troyer – 4th Grade - Math
Jordan Vaughn – 4th Grade - Math
Lincoln Flanders – 5th Grade - Math
Mason Hernandez – 5th Grade - Math/ELA/Science
Benjamin Kaster – 5th Grade - Math
Ginny Roland – 5th Grade - Math
Jelin Zheng – 5th Grade - Math/ELA

XIII. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS - PUBLIC COMMENT (Policy Attached)

XIV. OLD BUSINESS

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

XV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of the Resolution of West Holmes Local School District donating the playground equipment at Killbuck Elementary school to the Village of Killbuck's community park.
B. Approval of the 8th grade Washington D.C. trip for Oct. 28 - 30.
C. Approval of Kristine Angle as a volunteer nurse for the D.C. trip.
D. Board of Education adopts the Special Education Model Policies and Procedures that were released by the Department of Education of Workforce in December 2024, and directs all staff in the District to use and comply with the Model Policies. The Board further authorizes the Board's adoption of the Model Policies through the DEW's Monitoring System by uploading a copy of this Board Agenda by November 30 for each subsequent school year.
E. Approval of Board policies:
    a. EBBA-First Aid
    b. EFF-Food Sale Standards
    c. EHA-District Records Commission, Records Retention and Disposal
    d. IGD-Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities
    e. IGDJ-Interscholastic Athletics
    f. JECB-Admission of Nonresident Students
    g. JECBB-Interdistrict Open Enrollment
    h. JFCF-Hazing and Bullying (Harassment, Intimidation and Dating Violence)

i. JFCK-Use of Cellphones and Electronic Communications Devices by Students
j. JP-Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (Restraints and Seclusion)

F. Approval to rescind JECBD-Intradistrict Open Enrollment
G. Approval of 2026-27 Coaches Handbook
H. 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.
I. Approval of the Bilateral Articulation Agreement between North Central State College and West Holmes Local Schools for the 2027 Graduates.
J. Approval to modify the HS Student Code of Conduct Item 12 - Tobacco/Vape - A student shall not possess tobacco products/paraphernalia (such as a cigarette lighter) or use of tobacco or nicotine in any form on school property or at school sponsored activities. Smoking of electronic cigarettes, "vapor devices", or other substitute forms of cigarettes/vapes whether they contain nicotine or not, are also prohibited.
K. Approval of the donation of a school bus to Rigz Towing that was used in the bus crash simulation October 3, 2026.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

Discussion:

Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

XVI. PERSONNEL ACTIONS

A. HIRING
Ashlee Gawler – Bus Driver – effective 10/20/26

B. TRANSFER
Dennis Stahl – Custodian - from Elementary to Middle School-effective October 26, 2026

C. SUPPLEMENTAL
Shelby Miller-Evans - up to 10 hours per week of home instruction for special education services for students - effective 9/22/26

Boys Basketball
Varsity Head Coach - Peyton Speicher
Varsity Assistant Coach - Tom Spidell
JV Head Coach - Mekhi Johnson
Freshman Coach - Peyton McKinney
HS Volunteer - Stew Sabine
HS Volunteer - Ethan Kinsey

MS Head Coach - Jacob Goudy
MS Assistant Coach - Kyle Beachy

Girls Basketball
Varsity Head Coach - Lindsy Belden
Varsity Assistant Coach - Tennille Cline
JV Head Coach - Nate Wade
HS Volunteer - Adam Garver
HS Volunteer - Laina Snyder

MS Head Coach - Evan Aurand
MS Assistant Coach - Jarrod Downs

Wrestling
Varsity Head Coach - Scott Vaughn
Varsity Assistant Coach - Logan Stanley
JV Head Coach - Tyler Masters
HS Volunteer - Steve Goans
HS Volunteer - Brad McCluggage
HS Volunteer - Corbin Miller
HS Volunteer - Shayne Kessinger
HS Volunteer - Tim McClintock

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

Cheerleading
Varsity Head Coach - Raven Wilcox
Varsity Assistant Coach - Beth Lemon

MS Head Coach - Kelsey Grassbaugh
MS Assistant Coach - Jamie Aufrance

Bowling
Head Coach - Chris Young
Volunteer - Zach Medley

Middle School
Sara Sponseller Uhl – PBIS (1/2)

D. SUBSTITUTES
Taylor Schlauch - Non-Degree Teacher/Teacher Aide Sub - effective 10/06/26
Richard Allison – Custodian Sub – effective 10/13/26
Lucille Limbacher – Teacher Sub – effective 10/15/26

E. RESIGNATION
Meghan Dawson - Bus Driver – effective 10/21/26
Andrea Bartrum – Custodian – effective 10/30/26

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Discussion:

Roll Call:
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment of personnel, no action taken.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

XVIII. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Motion to return from Executive Session to Regular Session.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

XIX. NEXT MEETING

November 9, 2026
Elementary School

XX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
Day _____ Ramseyer _____ Sage _____ Yoder _____ Zickefoose _____

Future Meetings

December 21	Elementary School
January 11	Elementary School
February 8	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
2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR

20 – New Staff Orientation/Work Day
21 – All Staff In-Service Day
24 – Work Day
25 – First Day of School – MS/HS

8 Staff Days
5 Student days - MS/HS

AUGUST 2026

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SEPTEMBER 2026

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7 – Labor Day
8 – First Day of School - Elementary
18 - Midterm

21 Staff Days
21 Student Days – MS/HS
16 Student Days - Elementary

12/21 - HS/MS PT Conferences
13/20– Elementary PT Confrences
19 – Teacher In-Service Day
23 – End of 1st 9 Weeks
30 – Report Card sent home

22 Staff Days
21 Student Days

OCTOBER 2026

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20 - Midterm
24 – 2-hour Early Release
25-27 Thanksgiving Break
30 – Confernce Comp Day – no school

18 Staff Days
17 Student Days

22 – 2-hour Early Release
23-31 – Christmas Break

16 Staff Days
16 Student Days

DECEMBER 2026

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1 – Christmas Break
4 – First Day Back in 2027
15 – End of 2nd 9 Weeks
18 – MLK Day
22 – Report Card sent home

19 Staff Days
19 Student Days

11 - Midterm
15 – Teacher In-Service Day
8/16 – Elementary PT Conferences
9/17 – HS/MS PT Conferences

20 Staff Days
19 Student Days

FEBRUARY 2027

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19 – End of 3rd 9 Weeks
25 – Report Card sent home
25 – 2-hour Early Release
26 – Conference Comp Day – no school
29-31– Spring Break

20 Staff Days
19 Student Days

1-2– Spring Break
23 - Midterm

20 Staff Days
20 Student Days

APRIL 2027

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10 – Teacher In-Service Day
23 – Graduation
27 – 2-hour Early Release/Last Day of School
28 – Work Day
31 – Memorial Day

20 Staff Days
19 Student Days

JUNE 2027

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JULY 2027

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Snow Days 6+ will be Remote Learning days

Total Hours/Day Length
MS/HS 6.3 hrs.
Elem 6.0 hrs.

184 – Teacher Days
176 – Student Days – MS/HS
165 – Student Days - Elementary

SEPTEMBER 21, 2026
WEST HOLMES BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES
5. MOTION TO APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT
6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
7. GUEST PARTICIPATION
8. MOTION TO APPROVE NEW BUSINESS
9. MOTION TO APPROVE PERSONNEL ACTIONS
10. MOTION TO ADJOURN

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1. The regular meeting of the West Holmes Board of Education was called to order at West Holmes High School.

2. Roll Call: Ezra Day, Walter Ramseyer, Patricia Sage, Joel Yoder, Tina Zickefoose

   ABSENT: None

3. Pledge of Allegiance

   Discussion: None

4. Patricia Sage made a motion that was seconded by Walter Ramseyer to approve the minutes as follows:

   A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 17, 2026 attached to this agenda.

   Yeas: Day, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose
   Nays: None
   Motion: Carried

   Discussion: None

5. Joel Yoder made a motion that was seconded by Ezra Day to approve the Treasurer's Report.

   A. Month End Reconciliation and Investments as of August 31, 2026 – Enclosed sheet marked "A".
   B. Financial Report by Fund of Expenditures and Unencumbered Balances as of August 31, 2026 – Enclosed report marked "B".
   C. Approval of Financial Summary for Month ending August 31, 2026 – Enclosed report marked "C".

   Yeas: Day, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose
   Nays: None
   Motion: Carried

Discussion: Jamie Mullet shared the treasurer's report information. General Fund receipts for August 2026 totaled $4,966,381, bringing fiscal year-to-date revenue to $7,650,624, or 27.6% of the $27,704,161 forecasted for the full fiscal year. General Fund expenditures for the month totaled $2,241,129, bringing fiscal year-to-date expenditures to $4,136,007, or 16.4% of the budgeted amount for the year. The district is in the middle of the annual audit and will likely have a final report later this fall.

6. Superintendent's Report

1. Committee Reports of the West Holmes Board of Education
   Ezra Day shared that he, Tina, Mr. Jurkovic, and Coreena Johnson had a transportation committee meeting last week. He said of 800 students transported daily, 600 are elementary students and 200 are middle/high students. He shared that it takes quite a team to do that and the number of calls Coreena receives daily with changes and call offs speak volumes of how much the department handles on a daily basis and how they (the drivers, Coreena, and mechanics) are doing great work. The parent changes are handled with grace and patience and reminded that we are still looking for more van and bus drivers.

   Pat Sage shared the music boosters update including this Friday being the alumni band night at the football game. She shared the Band-o-Rama is on October 10th, they will march in the Antique Parade on October 11th, and HS Choir performs on October 14th. There will be fundraiser information coming.

   Joel Yoder attended the WH Athletic Booster meeting and shared they are setting up dates for the fundraisers for the year, including but not limited to the cake auction and Knight at the Races. He also shared following the recognition of Bob Maltarich at the football game, the boosters discussed naming the drive above the stadium "Bob Maltarich Way" to honor the culture and legacy he built at West Holmes. He told the board that would be coming to them for approval at some point.

   Tina Zickefoose shared that West Holmes 6th grade students had a day at the career center and commented how well-behaved they were. The career center superintendent search is underway and going well. She also shared the Ashland County Humane Society uses the vet tech program at the career center and recently acquired 72 dogs that then had 20 puppies in the first 24 hours if anybody is looking for a dog.

2. FFA Update
3. Curriculum Update
   Kiana Leppla provided an update to the board regarding the ODEW One Plan and the process that the district has to complete every 3 years. Since this is the last year of the last 3 year plan, the update will be done this year, utilizing both the Building Leadership Teams (BLT) and the District Leadership Team (DLT). The plan is due by April 30, 2027 and will include surveys and feedback from the Business Advisory Council. Kiana also provided an update on the legislation passed over the summer, House Bill 19 and House Bill 96, regarding math learning opportunities and early literacy indicator changes.
4. Review of Board policies:
   a. EBBA-First Aid
   b. EFF-Food Sale Standards
   c. EHA-District Records Commission, Records Retention and Disposal
   d. IGD-Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities

e. IGDJ-Interscholastic Athletics
f. JECB-Admission of Nonresident Students
g. JECBB-Interdistrict Open Enrollment
h. JECBD-Intradistrict Open Enrollment-RESCIND
i. JFCF-Hazing and Bullying (Harassment, Intimidation and Dating Violence)
j. JFCK-Use of Cellphones and Electronic Communications Devices by Students
k. JP-Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (Restraints and Seclusion)

Mr. Jurkovic reviewed the board policies brought for review and added that he would like to change the open enrollment from statewide to surrounding districts that are adjacent to West Holmes. The rescission of the one policy is necessary since we now only have one elementary.

5. Review of 2026-2027 Coaches Handbook
6. Staffing Update

7. Guests/Public Participation:

Michelle Rawson spoke as a parent about student behaviors in her children's classroom. The classroom teacher, Keely Wolfe, shared the same concerns with the board. Kelly Weiss, another classroom teacher, shared concerns over increasing students' needs in kindergarten, stemming from the disruptive student behaviors in classrooms.

Guests:

Dawn Martin	Brian Baughman	Mitch Neece	Kevin Wolf
Scott Pringle	Kinzey Schilling	Peyton Speicher	Brian Zimmerly
Craig Fry	Brian Lash	Coreena Johnson	Kiana Leppla
Kylie Leppla	Michelle Rawson	Keely Wolfe	Megan Stover
Kelly Weiss	Julie Dial	Lacie Troyer	Brooke Fox

8. Patricia Sage made a motion that was seconded by Walter Ramseyer to approve the following new business:

A. Request authorization to function as district representatives for West Holmes Schools for the following people:
Scott Musser, Principal and Jennifer Moore, Assistant Principal at Heartland Technical Education 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

B. Approval of the following FFA trips:
a. Greenhand FFA Camp, September 27-29, 2026
b. National FFA Convention, October 20-24, 2026
c. Greenhand Lock In, November 6-7, 2026
d. Greenhand Initiation, November 16, 2026
e. Mission Impact Leadership Conference, January 16-17, 2027
f. National Western Livestock Exhibition, January 14-19, 2027
g. State FFA Convention, May 5-7, 2027
h. Annual FFA Banquet, May 15, 2027
i. Ohio Leadership Camp, June 16-19, 2027
j. Officer Retreat, Mid July 2027

C. Approval of the OMUN overnight trip December 6-8, 2026 in Columbus, Ohio.
D. Approval of the following Robotics trips:

a. Kalahari Signature Event- Located at Kalahari Convention Center in Sandusky Ohio, January 21st - 23rd (High School only) Teams must earn a chance to register and will be competing against some of the best teams in the world.
b. State Tournament- Located at the National Museum of the US Air Force in Dayton Ohio, March 3rd - 6th (both HS and MS) Teams earn a spot through awards at our regular season tournaments.

E. Approval of a Resolution declaring the impracticality of transportation for student Olivia Sharek 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 year.
F. Approval of a Resolution declaring the impracticality of transportation for student's Charles, Nicholas and Eleanor Wallace 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 year.
G. Approval of Stark State College MOU 2026-2027
H. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between West Holmes Education Association and West Holmes Board of Education
I. Approval of Board policies:
   a. BDDH-Public Comment at Board Meeting (name change)
   b. IGBB-Programs for Students Who are Gifted
   c. IKEB-Acceleration
J. Approval of changing the following future Board meeting dates
   a. Monday, November 16, 2026 (OSBA-move to Monday, November 9 at Elementary School)
   b. Monday, February 15, 2027 (President's Day– move to Monday, February 8 at High School)

Yeas: Day, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose
Nays: None
Motion: Carried
Discussion: None

9. Ezra Day made a motion that was seconded by Joel Yoder to approve the following Personnel Actions:

A. Approval of one-year contract for the 2026-2027 school year:
Robert Porter - **Truancy Officer**

B. HIRING
Stacey Hypes-Onboard instruction Bus driver-August 16th, 2026 at $30.00/HR
Shalyn Morr-Cook-effective August 21, 2026

C. SUPPLEMENTAL

LPDC

Brian Baughman	Kiana Leppla	Brian Lash	Brooke Mast
Sandra Miller	Josh Wengerd	Courtney Cooper	

High School
Freshman Class Advisor-Kimberly Murphy

D. SUBSTITUTES
Crystal Lovell-Teacher Sub-effective August 25, 2026
Holly Mowry-Non-Degree Teacher-effective August 25, 2026

Bus/Van Drivers -for the 2026-2027 school year

Angela Morris	Stacey Hypes	Mike Molnar

Margaret James Carice Garver

Yeas: Day, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose
Nays: None
Motion: Carried

Discussion: None

10. Motion was made by Walter Ramseyer and seconded by Ezra Day to adjourn.

Yeas: Day, Ramseyer, Sage, Yoder, Zickefoose
Nays: None
Motion: Carried

/s/ Tina Zickefoose
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 21st day of September, 2026, with the following members present:

Ezra Day	✓
Hans Ramseyer	✓
Patricia Sage	✓
Joel Yoder	✓
Tina Zickefoose	✓

Patricia Sage moved and Walter Ramseyer 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 non-public 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 Olivia Sharek to Wooster Christian School, 1071 Dover Rd., Wooster, Ohio 44691.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board offers the parents/guardians of the above-named 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
Ezra Day	✓	
Hans Ramseyer	✓	
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 21, 2026.

Treasurer

RESOLUTION

The Board of Education of the West Holmes Local School District, Holmes County, met in regular session this 21st day of September, 2026, with the following members present:

Ezra Day	✓
Hans Ramseyer	✓
Patricia Sage	✓
Joel Yoder	✓
Tina Zickefoose	✓

Patricia Sage moved and Walter Ramseyer 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's 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 the students 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 students eligible, but supports impracticability as a long non-public route.

- The number of pupils to be transported: Three students are 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 Charles, Nicholas and Eleanor Wallace to Wooster Christian School, 1071 Dover Rd., Wooster, Ohio 44691.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board offers the parents/guardians of the above-named 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
Ezra Day	✓	
Hans Ramseyer	✓	
Patricia Sage	✓	
Joel Yoder	✓	
Tina Zickefoose	✓	

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