

Wisconsin Virtual Learning, Inc. Board of Education Meeting Minutes Regular Session Thursday, January 9, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

Call to Order:6:30 p.m. by William Hintz. Roll call taken; quorum established.

Members Present:William Hintz, Sandy Lundberg, Eric Dimmitt, Dana LaPointeOthers Present:Mandie Barr, Josh McDaniel, Kelley Janowski, Lori Much, Janel Mielke, Jennifer
Balthazor-Strom

Highlights:OWL Awards: Please take a moment to view Our Wonderful Learners (OWL) awards in the
January newsletter.

Spanish Curriculum: Lori Much, Spanish teacher at Ozaukee High School and WVL explained the curriculum and class expectations for the 7th and 8th grade Spanish classes she teaches. Lori uses a comprehensive Spanish language program called Senderos. It's designed for middle and high school students to develop proficiency in the Spanish language while exploring the culture of Spanish speaking countries. The curriculum emphasizes communication, cultural understanding and linguistic development through listening, speaking, reading and writing. Mandatory Google Meets are held with students every three weeks to provide additional face-to-face support.

Reports: Enrollment Report: M. Barr presented the enrollment projection report and explained the withdrawn student summary chart. As of December 31st we had 358 registered students.

D. LaPointe made a motion to approve four regular education alternative open enrollment applications and deny six regular education and three special education alternative open enrollment applications, seconded by S. Lundberg. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Budget Update: J. McDaniel presented the monthly 2024-25 Current Enrollment vs. Budget chart and the Approved Alternative Enrollments chart.

J. McDaniel presented December's Monthly Check Register. E. Dimmitt motioned to approve the December 2024 Check Register, seconded by D. LaPointe. *Motion carried unanimously.*

J. McDaniel presented the Budget vs. Actual Summary.

Old Business:S. Lundberg made a motion to approve the December 12, 2024 Regular Session Meeting
Minutes, seconded by D. LaPointe. *Motion carried unanimously.*

New Business: Curriculum Writing Update: Janel Mielke, Director of Curriculum provided an update on the status of the new elementary curriculum that her team has created. 4K and 5K were completed last year, 1st and 2nd grades this year and 3rd and 4th grades will be completed for next year. Janel provided examples of what the curriculum looks like for each subject in 4K through 4th grade. She also explained the new courses and electives that were added for middle and high school students this year.



	Approval of Open Seats for 2025-2026: As required by state law, open enrollment seat availability must be determined by the January board meeting ahead of the 2025-2026 open enrollment period. The open enrollment period runs from February 3 rd - April 30 th . M. Barr explained the rationale for the recommended number of available open enrollment seats. Steady enrollment is anticipated and WVL has the capacity to welcome additional students, including new special education students through the open and alternative enrollment process. S. Lundberg made a motion to approve the addition of 222 and 10 special education seats for the 2025-2026 school year, bringing the total possible enrollment to 500 students, seconded by E. Dimmitt. <i>Motion carried unanimously.</i>
	2025-2026 School Calendar Update: M. Barr explained that we are working on aligning WVL's calendar with NOSD's as closely as possible. Their calendar will be presented for approval at their January 20 th board meeting. Once it is approved, we will move forward with finalizing ours and presenting it to the board for approval. We anticipate approval of the calendar to be an agenda item for our February 13 th board meeting.
Next Meeting:	The next WVL Board Meeting will be held on February 13, 2025 via Zoom.
	Topics suggested for next meeting: • Approval of 2025-2026 school calendar
	 Potential topics for future meetings: D. LaPointe requested information on the following: What services are available in the Special Education Department? What services are not available? What is the evaluation process in determining denying students? W. Hintz suggested inviting Charlie Schwartz, Pupil Services Director to a future meeting to answer questions.
Adjournment:	D. LaPointe made a motion at 7:57 p.m. to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting, seconded by S. Lundberg. <i>Motion carried unanimously.</i>

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Dimmitt, Secretary

William Hintz, Board President