

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

Members Present: William Hintz, Sandy Lundberg, Theresa Schmechel, Dana LaPointe

Others Present: Mandie Barr, Josh McDaniel, Ann Baumann, Kelley Janowski, Janet Zausch, Charlie Schwartz
Danielle Biever, Catherine Wilson, Jennifer Balthazor-Strom

Highlights: **Purchasing & Reclamation:** Janet Zausch, Reclamations & Purchasing Coordinator shared highlights from her timeline of the duties she completes throughout the year.

Special Education: Charlie Schwartz, Director of Pupil Services explained the differences between an IEP and a 504 Plan. IEPs require an evaluation to identify which disability(s) the student qualifies for and assists with the writing of the student's IEP. IEPs are more intensive and require all staff to support. 504s require a disability (not educational) and an evaluation to determine if and how their disability affects the student's ability to access the curriculum. The 504 is created from this evaluation. 504s are supported by regular education staff only.

C. Schwartz also reviewed the application review process for deciding to accept or deny a special education student. Decisions are made based on the current IEP and the supports outlined within. In some cases, we are not able to provide those supports. For example, while a brick school may be able to provide a paraprofessional to work one on one with students all day, we are unable to provide that service. Also, we are not equipped to evaluate nor serve certain disabilities. Sometimes it is not in the best interest of the student to approve their application.

Reports: **Enrollment Report:** A. Baumann presented the enrollment projection report and explained the withdrawn student summary chart. As of today, we have 365 registered students.

D. LaPointe made a motion to approve 17 regular education and two special education alternative open enrollment applications and deny 12 regular education and 10 special education alternative open enrollment applications, seconded by S. Lundberg.

Motion carried unanimously.

Marketing Update: C. Wilson provided the marketing update from November 2024 - January 2025. Ads, messaging and email campaigns have all been updated for Open Enrollment.

D. Biever explained the chatbot process and follow-up procedures that are provided.

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

J. McDaniel presented January's Monthly Check Register. S. Lundberg motioned to approve the January 2025 Check Register, seconded by T. Schmechel. *Motion carried unanimously.*

J. McDaniel presented the Budget vs. Actual Summary.



Old Business: T. Schmechel made a motion to approve the January 9, 2025 Regular Session Meeting Minutes as amended, seconded by D. LaPointe. *Motion carried unanimously.*

New Business: **Approval of 2025-2026 School Calendar:** M. Barr explained that the WVL school calendar was developed collaboratively with the leadership team, taking into account students and staff shared with NOSD. The calendar was then reviewed by Multi-Level Systems and Supports Committee members, who provided additional input and feedback. D. LaPointe made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 school calendar as outlined, seconded by S. Lundberg. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Next Meeting: The next WVL Board Meeting will be held on March 13, 2025 via Zoom.

Topics suggested for next meeting:

- Start College Now Requests - Matt Olson

Adjournment: T. Schmechel made a motion at 8:07 p.m. to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting, seconded by D. LaPointe. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Dimmitt, Secretary

William Hintz, Board President