

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE WILMINGTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
JANUARY 29, 2026
DISTRICT OFFICE

The Wilmington City School Board of Education met for a Regular Meeting on January 29, 2026 at 4:00 PM at the District Office, 341 S Nelson Ave., Wilmington, OH. The meeting was called to order by Bill Davis, President. The Treasurer was asked to call the roll:

Members Present: Bill Davis, President
Tim Wiederhold, Vice President
Sara Fear, Member
Kirstin Harris, Member
Erick Hildebrandt, Member

Also present were Tim Dettwiller, Superintendent; Curt Bone, Director of Business; Kimberly DeWeese, Treasurer; and other staff and members of the community.

027-026 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the agenda with the following changes:

Revise X-A	Urban Education Update
Add X-D	School Closure
Add X-E	East End Update
Remove XI-J	Prodigy Building Solutions agreement

Voting aye on the roll call: Wiederhold, Harris, Hildebrandt, Fear, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS, RECOGNITIONS, AND REPORTS

Wilmington Schools Foundation presented an appreciation gift to all Board Members for *Board Member Appreciation Month* and OSBA Appreciation Certificates were issued to all Board Members.

028-026 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Fear to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on December 15, 2025. Voting aye on the roll call: Wiederhold, Hildebrandt, Fear, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

029-026 APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2025

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Fear to approve the Treasurer's financial report which provided an update on the District's current financial status. Included in the report were Cash Reconciliation, December 2025 Bill List, Financial Report by Fund, and Appropriation Report.

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<u>FUND</u>	<u>ENDING CASH BALANCE</u>
GENERAL FUND	19,447,218.11
PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	330,775.52
LUNCH ROOM	255,403.97
PRINCIPAL'S FUNDS	85,555.02
LOCAL GRANTS	241,556.31
TOURNAMENT FUND	0
CLASSROOM FACILITIES	372,019.53
STUDENT ACTIVITIES	121,902.76
ATHLETICS	85,516.74
ATHLETICS FUNDRAISERS	67,421.01
STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS	-190,694.57
<u>TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</u>	<u>20,816,674.40</u>

Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Harris, Wiederhold, Hildebrandt, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Mr. Dettwiller and Administration updated the Board on the Urban Education Behavior Model, the Capital Plan, Special Board Meeting consideration to discuss long-term building plans, school closures, and sale of East End Elementary School.

030-026 APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP / FFA

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve an overnight field trip for FFA students to attend the State FFA Convention in Columbus, OH from April 29, 2026 through May 1, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Hildebrandt, Fear, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

031-026 APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve a transportation agreement for a parent to transport their child to Warren County ESC (Western Row Campus). The cost per day is \$40. Voting aye on the roll call: Hildebrandt, Fear, Harris, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

032-026 APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT / ERVIN EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING, LLC

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve an agreement with Ervin Educational Consulting, LLC to provide Behavioral Leadership Strategy professional development on March 12, 2026. The estimated cost is \$6000 plus associated travel costs. Voting aye on the roll call: Hildebrandt, Harris, Wiederhold, Fear, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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033-026 APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT / WILMINGTON TRANSIT SYSTEM

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve an agreement with Wilmington City Transit to provide alternative transportation to students within the District on a limited as-needed basis. The contract runs from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

034-026 APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP / WRESTLING

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve a date change for an overnight field trip for WHS Wrestlers to participate in a tournament in Eaton, OH. The date of the tournament that was approved at the November 24, 2025 meeting has now been scheduled for January 30, 2026 through January 31, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Hildebrandt, Fear, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

035-026 APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP / JROTC

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve an overnight trip for JROTC students to go to Fallen Timbers Battlefield in Maumee, OH from February 12, 2026 through February 13, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Hildebrandt, Fear, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

036-026 APPROVAL OF ELEMENTARY CALENDAR CHANGE

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve a change to the school calendar for Preschool through 5th grade only. Preschool through 5th grade students will not have school on March 12, 2026, so that all teachers at Holmes and Denver can participate in Elementary Behavioral Leadership professional development. This will reduce elementary hours by 5.92 and preschool hours by 2.75 for the school year. Students in 6th through 12th grade will attend school as scheduled on that day and will not be impacted by this change. Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Harris, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

037-026 APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP / FFA

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve an out-of-state trip for FFA students to travel to Perfect North Slopes in Lawrenceburg, IN on February 20, 2026. The trip is an incentive for their fall fundraising efforts. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Hildebrandt, Fear, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

038-026 APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PLAN

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Harris to approve the 2025-2030 Capital Plan. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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039-025 APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT / SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS / 2025-26

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Fear to approve employment of the following *substitute teachers* on an “as needed basis” for the 2025-26 school year at the current Board approved substitute rate, pending completion of all requirements for employment.

<i>Steve Adams</i>	<i>Justus Anderson</i>
<i>Corynne Campbell</i>	<i>Patricia Elyse Fife</i>
<i>Ginger Hixson</i>	<i>Nathan Kincaid</i>
<i>Kaley Jo Myers</i>	<i>Keely Smith</i>

Voting aye on the roll call: Hildebrandt, Fear, Harris, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

040-026 APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT / LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE / ORCHARD / 2025-26

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Fear to approve the employment of *Christina Orchard* as a *long-term substitute* for Emily Wiswell effective October 6, 2025. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

041-026 APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS / 2025-26

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Fear to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2025-26 school year pending completion of all requirements of coaching.

<i>Steve Reed</i>	<i>Varsity Boys Tennis</i>	\$3,889
<i>Doug Cooper</i>	<i>JV Boys Tennis</i>	\$1,714
<i>Adam Gullett</i>	<i>Middle School Track</i>	\$2,719
<i>Veronica Ig</i>	<i>Middle School Track</i>	\$2,719

Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

042-026 APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT / 2026-27

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Fear to approve the following supplemental contract for the 2026-27 school year pending completions of all requirements of coaching.

Zach Williams	Varsity Football	\$6,743
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Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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043-026 APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT / LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE / FLINT / 2025-26

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Fear to approve the employment of *Madi Flint* as a *long-term substitute* for Katie Brown, effective January 15, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

044-026 APPROVAL OF NON-TEACHING SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the following non-teaching supplemental contracts for the 2025-26 school year pending completion of all requirements of coaching.

<i>Brian Spurlock</i>	<i>Varsity Softball (.6)</i>	<i>\$2,728.80</i>
<i>Brian Roberts</i>	<i>Varsity Softball (.2)</i>	<i>\$ 909.60</i>
<i>Lacy Myers</i>	<i>Varsity Softball (.2)</i>	<i>\$ 909.60</i>
<i>Jadence Dalton</i>	<i>JV Softball</i>	<i>\$2,719</i>
<i>Brian Tolliver</i>	<i>Varsity Baseball</i>	<i>\$4,548</i>
<i>Chris Reynolds</i>	<i>Varsity Boys Track</i>	<i>\$4,548</i>
<i>Chris Reynolds</i>	<i>Varsity Girls Track (.5)</i>	<i>\$2,274</i>
<i>JT Lykins</i>	<i>Varsity Girls Track (.5)</i>	<i>\$2,274</i>
<i>Karen Heslop</i>	<i>Boys Asst Track</i>	<i>\$2,719</i>
<i>Eileen Grosse</i>	<i>Girls Asst Track</i>	<i>\$2,719</i>
<i>Ashley Evans</i>	<i>MS Track</i>	<i>\$2,719</i>
<i>Jalen Daniels</i>	<i>MS Track</i>	<i>\$2,719</i>

Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

045-026 APPROVE EMPLOYMENT / JULIE TAYLOR / STUDY HALL-WILMINGTON SUCCESS ACADEMY COORDINATOR / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the employment of *Julie Taylor* as *Study Hall - Wilmington Success Academy Facilitator* effective January 6, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

046-026 APPROVE EMPLOYMENT / IN SCHOOL INTERVENTION (ISI) / C REVEAL / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the employment of *Cadin Reveal* to the *In School Intervention (ISI)* position at the HS/MS effective January 6, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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047-026 APPROVE EMPLOYMENT / COMPUTER LAB AIDE / SHAFFER / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve employment of *Bethany Shaffer* as the *computer lab aide at Denver*, effective January 6, 2026. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

048-026 APPROVE UNPAID LEAVE / COOK / WHALEN / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the following request for unpaid medical leave.

Randy Whalen (Cook) 12/11/25, 12/15/25 - 12/19/25, 1/5/26 - 1/23/26 (21 days)

Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Harris, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

049-026 RESCIND NON-TEACHING SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT / FUGATE / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to rescind the non-teaching supplemental contract of *Brock Fugate as Lacrosse Coach* for the 2025-26 school year, which was approved at the December 15, 2025 Board meeting. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

050-026 APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT / SUBSTITUTE AIDE / MILLER / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the employment of *Cindy Miller* as a *substitute aide* effective January 15, 2026 pending completion of all requirements for employment. Voting aye on the roll call: Wiederhold, Fear, Hildebrandt, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

051-026 APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT / SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN / NANCE / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the employment of *DeShawn Nance* as a *substitute custodian* effective January 5, 2026, pending completion of all requirements for employment. Voting aye on the roll call: Wiederhold, Fear, Hildebrandt, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

052-026 APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT / 4-HOUR COOK / SNODGRASS / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the employment of *Emily Snodgrass* as a *4-hour cook at the HS/MS* effective January 12, 2026, pending completion of all requirements for employment. Voting aye on the roll call: Wiederhold, Fear, Hildebrandt, Harris, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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053-026 APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION ROUTE CHANGES / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the following transportation route changes for the following employees, effective January 13, 2026.

<i>Tammy Rayson</i>	<i>Rte 16 (6.5 hrs) to Rte 24 (7.75 hrs)</i>
<i>Donna Oeters</i>	<i>Rte 26 decrease from 7.5 hrs to 7.25 hrs</i>
<i>Carla Clouser</i>	<i>Rte 21 increase from 6.75 hrs to 7.25 hrs</i>
<i>Melissa Colley</i>	<i>Rte 17 (7 hrs) to Rte 16 (6.75 hrs)</i>
<i>Krystal Polakovics</i>	<i>Van Rte (Batavia/Mason) increase from 7.5 hrs to 8.5 hrs</i>
<i>Winowa Spivey</i>	<i>FT Sub (5.5 hrs) to Rte 17 (6.5 hrs)</i>
<i>William Kairn</i>	<i>Van Rte (Legacy) increase from 4.5 hrs to 4.75 hrs</i>
<i>Sonya Goldie</i>	<i>Bus Aide increase from 6.25 hrs to 6.5 hrs</i>
<i>Madison Bronner</i>	<i>Bus Aide decrease from 6.5 hrs to 6.0 hrs</i>
<i>Jeffrey Hottinger</i>	<i>Bus Aide increase from 7 hrs to 8 hrs</i>
<i>Lili Hunt</i>	<i>Bus Aide increase from 5 hrs to 5.75 hrs</i>

Voting aye on the roll call: Fear, Harris, Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

054-026 APPROVAL OF AFTER-SCHOOL TIER II BUSSING COMPENSATION / LATHAM / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve *Peninah Latham* as a Tier II Bussing Aide effective to help with dismissal at Holmes Elementary. This will add thirty minutes to her current 7.25 hrs as an Educational Aide effective 12/10/25. Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Fear, Wiederhold, Hildebrandt, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

055-026 APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER / 2025-26

Motion by Harris, seconded by Wiederhold to approve the following volunteers pending completion of all requirements of coaching.

Jimmy Cramton	Softball
Kyler White	Softball
Jack Romer	Tennis
Alex Meyer	Baseball

Voting aye on the roll call: Harris, Hildebrandt, Fear, Wiederhold, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC RELATIVE TO NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Dustin Pearce stated to the Board that he is running for Mayor of Wilmington in the next election. He also talked about his vision for a Community Recreation Center

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Wiederhold, seconded by Fear to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 PM. Voting aye on the roll call: Hildebrandt, Wiederhold, Harris, Fear, and Davis. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ATTEST

Treasurer

Board President