

The West Bend-Mallard CSD Board of Directors held their regular meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2026 in the West Bend-Mallard Administration Board Room, 300 3rd Ave. SW, West Bend, IA.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by President John Zaugg. The following members were present: Dave Bruellman, Dawn Schmidt, Nicole Myer, Jillian Hansen, Chris Montag, and Lisa Traub.

Absent: None

Visitors: Superintendent Paul Peppmeier, Tara Chaddock, Board Secretary Maria Steier, and Principal Tyson Wirtz.

All motions are unanimously approved unless noted otherwise

Chris Montag moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Lisa Traub. Motion carried.

Board Informational News: None

Educational News:

Superintendent Paul Peppmeier told the board he completed the certified enrollment and we are up 3 students. Our open enrollment out of the district is down and our overall enrollment is up, which is good. The building project is going well. They will be pouring footings along the admin building soon. They are a little behind because of the weather, but believe they can make up that time. The wrestling room ceiling should be completed this week, then they will start on the flooring. Superintendent Paul Peppmeier has contacted Don Thul regarding the holding tank for the FFA shed. The IDEA Part B funds have been claimed and the report is completed.

Principal Tyson Wirtz told the board that we've had a great 1st quarter of school. Homecoming went well even though some events were changed. We are looking at ways to adjust for next year. One idea is, have more activities at the beginning of the week. If there are weather issues, there aren't as many activities to reschedule with limited days to complete them.

Conferences will be next week. The first night of conferences are scheduled, and the second night are come and go with teachers in the gym. We have volleyball, cross country, and solo dance competing this week. Basketball and wrestling will start in the coming weeks. We were just notified that for Winter sports, 8th graders are allowed to play middle school and high school simultaneously. There will be more to come once we learn more.

Old Business: None

Financial Reports: Superintendent Paul Peppmeier told the board the balances are down from last year. Our property tax money is coming in October this year, versus September. Also, we now receive our state aid quarterly, so we should be seeing that soon too. Nicole Myer made a motion to approve the financial report. Jillian Hansen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Dawn Schmidt, seconded by Jillian Hansen to approve Consent Agenda: Approve Minutes, Approve Warrants, and 2nd Reading of Policies: 503.09 Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices, 503.09 R(1) Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices - Regulation, 505.08 Parent & Family Engagement Districtwide Policy, 505.08 R(1) Parent & Family Engagement Districtwide Policy - Building Level Regulation, 506.01 Education Records Access, 506.01 E(1) Request of Nonparent for Examination or Copies of Education Records, 506.01 E(2) Education Records Access - Authorization for Release of Education Records, 506.01 E(3) Education Records Access - Request for Hearing on Correction of Education Records, 506.01 E(4) Education Records Access - Request for Examination of Education Records, 506.01 E(5) Education Records Access - Notification of Transfer of Education Records, 506.01 E(6) - Education Records Access - Letter to Parent Regarding Receipt of a Subpoena, 506.01 E(7) - Juvenile Justice Agency Information Sharing Agreement, 506.1 E(8) Annual Notice, 506.01 R(1)- Education Records Access - Regulation, 506.02 Student Directory Information, 506.02 E(1) Student Directory Information - Authorization for Releasing Student Directory Information, 506.02 R(1) Student Directory Information - Use of Information, 506.04 Student Library Circulation Records. Motion carried.

New Business:

1st Reading of board policies: 605.04 Technology and Instructional Materials, 605.04 E(1) One-to-One Device Program Technology, 701.05 Fiscal Management, 701.05 R(1) Fiscal Management - Financial Metrics, 804.07 Radon Mitigation, 804.07 R(1) Radon Mitigation.

Every five years, we are required to review and reapprove our District Developed Service Delivery Plan (DDSDP) which is our special education service plan. We met with a committee of stakeholders and put it out for public comment. Once the plan is approved we will send it to the AEA for final approval. Dave Bruellman made a motion to approve and Lisa Traub seconded. Motion carried.

Chris Montag made a motion to approve asking for a Modified Supplemental Amount, which is an additional spending authority granted by the SBRC. We can ask for this spending authority back due to our negative EL balance of \$11,777.71. Nicole Myer seconded. Motion carried.

Facilities: The girls' locker room shower is needing improvement. Superintendent Paul Peppmeier has a quote from Denny Frederiksen for \$4475 to tile the shower and an additional \$3150 to continue the tile 4ft up the wall. Denny could complete the project over Christmas break. Principal Tyson Wirtz brought up the option to partition the showers. More will be discussed next month when Superintendent Paul Peppmeier gets more information on potential costs of partitioning the showers.

Previously the board discussed purchasing choir shells for the music program. Currently there is no place to store the shells, so the board will revisit the purchase once the building project is complete.

Resignations: None

Contracts: Motion made by Dawn Schmidt to approve the following contracts: Mara Clark - Assistant High School Softball Coach, Janie Thilges - volunteer wrestling coach. Seconded by Jillian Hansen. Motion carried.

Terminations: None

Dave Bruellman made a motion to adjourn at 6:44pm

John Zaugg, President

Maria Steier, Board Secretary