



Committee Clips
An unofficial report of
Education/Operations Committee
of the Whole action

September 28, 2020

This report summarizes the highlights and significant outcomes of the Education/Operations Committee Meeting. Education/Operations Committee of the Whole Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of the month at 5:00 pm in the Nicholson Board Room at the Longfellow Administration Center. These meetings are open to the public. The agenda and meeting materials can be found on the [District website](#) > District > Board of Education > Agendas and Minutes or by clicking [here](#).

All Wausau School District Board of Education Meetings will be conducted as a virtual meeting due to an active emergency situation (COVID-19 Pandemic), meaning that multiple Board members may be participating in the meeting from remote locations through the use of communications technology and that public access to the meeting may be arranged through the use of technology.

Members of the media and public may attend in person, by calling 1-715-261-0598, or through the virtual WebEx meeting. The meeting address can be found on the District homepage. In the event the meeting requires a password, please use: 1234 All public participants' phones, microphones, and chat dialog boxes will be muted or disabled during the meeting. Members of the public who do not wish to appear in person may email cpeck@wausauschools.org with "Public Comment" in the subject line. Those messages received prior to the start of the meeting will be provided to the Board President.

Members of the public who do not wish to appear in person may view the meeting live by the Wausau Area Access Media on the Government and Education Cable Channel 981. Wausau Area Access Media also lives streams the meeting on <https://waam.viebit.com> The meeting will also be available on the Wausau Area Access Media Youtube channel a few days after filming. All meeting access information shall also appear in a prominent location on the Wausau School District website.

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COVID Data Update

Amanda Ostrowski from the Marathon County Health Department shared a brief presentation and answered questions from the Board. The Board continued discussion on the topic of spread in our community.

Referendum Planning Update

Administration shared a document that gave an overview of all the ways the District had reached out for community input and involvement regarding the upcoming referendum since 2015. They also shared a document that covered how Board members and staff can legally advocate for school referendums. The last document presented was a list of upcoming referendum presentations in the community.

Substitute Pay Rates

The Committee approved to temporarily adjust the substitute rates to start at the equivalent to the long term substitute rate, up to \$250 a day at the discretion of Administration, during the pandemic.

Special Board Meeting

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Project Relaunch Update

Administration presented a modified version of Plan A for 4K-5 and a modified version of Plan B for 6-12. The Board approved to begin moving forward with Administration's recommendation with a final approval at the October 12 Regular Board Meeting.

Vacant School Board Seat

The Board heard statements on behalf of 12 applicants for the vacant board seat. The following individuals will move forward to the interview portion of the process. This meeting will take place on October 12.

- Kay Gruling
- Nicolas Bisgrove
- Jeff Leigh
- Mark Holdhusen