

School Administrative Unit # 36

School Board Meeting Minutes

White Mountains Regional School Board

September 10, 2026

White Mountains Regional Middle High School

5:30 p.m.

Whitefield, NH

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: A. Adair, J. Akerman, C. Fountain, T. Giles, R. Loiacono, B. Jellison, C. Schmidt-Student Board Member.

Board Members Absent: K. vanBergen-Buteau

Administrators Present - R. Scott, M. Wadsworth, G. Brown, J. Noyes

FLAG SALUTE

Consent agenda - Approval of the Minutes

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: C. Fountain
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To approve the of Minutes of (8/13/2026)

Motion carried-Unanimous

Consent agenda - Approval of the Manifest

Moved by: C. Fountain	Seconded by: A. Adair
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Motion carried-1 abstained

Public Comment opened at 5:31 pm and will remain open for 30 minutes

Charles Schmidt, Student School Board Member - was sworn in and gave the school board a report with sports highlights, Freshman Orientation, a homecoming update, Senior Rock update and a presentation, including members of the Senior leadership team, for a proposal on Senior Parking spots, and why they would like to have them. The students and Board members had discussion around the proposal. Charles mentioned the production Grease that the School will be putting on this year.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Scott had provided the Board with a written report and he highlighted school opening-the first couple of weeks. Mr. Scott provided enrollment information based on numbers as of September 4, 2026. Bob asked Mr. Scott to look into how many new families we have had moved in. Legal updates including electioneering rules, SAU Budget Hearing requirement, no-trespass. Outdoor industry expo Tuesday, September 15, 2026 8-1:30. Mr. Kelly, former WMRHS Principal, shared two wall hangings with SAU 36 from the 1800's. New hires from August: Sharen Robertson, WES, Title I, Joshua Finkle, WMRMHS Physical Education, Kathleen Shastany, WES, Part- time, temporary Cook.

Adam asked for a quick update of how Mr. Scott feels the 7/8 transition is going. DLT Goals committees will create measures on how they will meet objectives.

Director of Finance Report- Melisa Wadsworth- Ms. Wadsworth will have reports for the next meeting. The next meeting will include the discussion on what the Board would expect for the budget.

Bob made a reminder of the School Funding meeting WMRSD will host September 29, 2026 at 6:00 pm. Messaging will be sent next week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Ed. Programming/Curriculum (first meeting of month) (Adair, vanBergen-Buteau)-proposed new schedule during the day rather than evenings
- Facilities (third Wednesday of the month) (Adair, Akerman, Fountain) -meet next week in person. Gary Brown came forward with a quick update on the boiler project, lawn mower update which is on the agenda. James asked Gary to work on a plan for a safe environment for the maintenance department and develop a warrant article to be presented at the Budget hearing for a March vote. Ben proposed that Gary have his own line for a report at each meeting added to the agenda rather than falling under committee reports.
- Personnel (as needed) (Adair, Jellison, Loiacono)- Negotiations will commence on 9/24
- Policy (second meeting of the month) (Giles, Jellison)- Amendments on Agenda
- District Wellness Committee (Fountain, vanBergen-Buteau) - scheduled a meeting 9/30. Mr. Scott has done some work with DLT members who are part of that committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS- James asked if the school could consider having a salad bar.

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 1

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: J. Akerman
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Motion to waive the reading of all of the names

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 1 with amendment to waive reading the names

Moved by: J. Akerman	Seconded by: T. Giles
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To approve the Mentor Lead and Mentor Nominations for School Year 2026-2027, provided all open positions are filled:

Katrina Noyes, LES, Building Lead and Mentor
Gail McVetty, LES, Mentor
Kaitlyn Beattie, LES, Mentor
Aaryn Ford, LES, Mentor
Jamie Colby, LES, Mentor
Candra Hicks, LES, Mentor
Christine Stevens, WES, Building Lead and Mentor
Samantha Gross, WES, Mentor
Gina Mangiafico, WES, Mentor
Kimberly Read, WES, Mentor
Jacqueline Garneau, WES, Mentor
Nicole Ardolino, WES, Mentor
Kelly Hunt, WES, Mentor
Gabrielle Wetherbee, WES, Mentor
Martina Macakova, WMRMHS, Building Lead and Mentor

Amanda Garneau, WMRMHS, Mentor
Kathy Carlson, WMRMHS, Mentor
William Klein, WMRMHS, Mentor
Molly Carr, WMRMHS, Mentor
Sue Zielinski, WMRMHS, Mentor
Abby Mayne, WMRMHS, Mentor
Catherine Tobin, WMRMHS, Mentor
Christine Stevens, WMRMHS, Mentor
Heather Stewart, WMRMHS, Mentor

Motion carried–Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 2

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: C. Fountain
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To approve the following Elementary School Co-Curriculars:
6th Grade Class Advisor
Outdoor Club
Student Council
Yearbook

Motion carried– Unanimous

Motion to Amend ACTION AGENDA ITEM 3

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: J. Akerman
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Motion to waive the reading of all of the names

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 3 with amendment to waive reading the names

Moved by: T. Giles	Seconded by: C. Fountain
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To approve the following Co-Curricular and Volunteer Nominations for School Year 2026-2027, provided all co-curriculars are offered:

Chris Dupont, 6th Grade Class Advisor, LES
Chris Dupont, Student Council, LES
Chris Dupont, Intramurals, LES
Samantha Haskins, Yearbook, LES
Candra Hicks, Outdoor Club, LES
Gabrielle Wetherbee, Yearbook, Co-Advisor, WES
Cheryl Edney, Yearbook, Co-Advisor, WES
Gina Mangiafico, Girls on the Run, Co-Advisor, WES
Samantha Ingerson, Girls on the Run, Co-Advisor, WES
Emma Stephenson, Student Council, WES
Nicole Ardolino, 6th Grade Class Advisor,
Matthew Holland, Culinary and Catering, WMRMHS
Daniel Adams, High School Yearbook, WMRMHS
Kaylah Graham, FFA, WMRMHS
Michael Maras, SOSS, WMRMHS
Dominic Berry, Hospitality, WMRMHS
Michael Martins, High School Jazz Band, WMRMHS
Meghan Hakey, High School Drama, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
Issac Caswell, High School Drama, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
Michael Maras, Robotics, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
Karen Keller, Robotics, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
Matthew Holland, Pro-Start Culinary, WMRMHS
Tia Cloutier, High School Student Council, WMRMHS

Kathryn Swayze, High School Outdoor Club, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Sue Zielinski, High School Outdoor Club, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Martina Macakova, National Honor Society, WMRMHS
 Marc Salmin, Blue Zoo Coordinator, WMRMHS
 Michael Smith, 12th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Stacey Dubois, 12th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Kathy Carlson, 11th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Heather Bailey, 11th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Bethany Ridley, 10th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Beth Lufkin, 10th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Martina Macakova, 9th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Janine Holmes, 9th Grade, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Angie Lavoie, Middle School Drama, WMRMHS
 Angie Lavoie, NJHS, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Missy DeRivera, NJHS, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Amanda Garneau, 7th Grade, Advisor, WMRMHS
 Missy DeRivera, 8th Grade, Advisor, WMRMHS
 Jordan Garrett, Middle School Outdoor Club, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Stephanie Potter, Middle School Outdoor Club, Co-Advisor, WMRMHS
 Janine Holmes, Middle School Yearbook, WMRMHS
 Cynthia Daly, Middle School Student Council, WMRMHS
 Michael Martins, Beginner Band, WMRMHS
 Catherine Tobin, Chorus, WMRMHS
 Romeu Rodrigues, MS Boys Soccer, Coach
 Reese Robinson, Varsity Girls Soccer, Volunteer
 Jessica Hilton, JV/MS Field Hockey, Volunteer
 Victoria Stanley, JV/MS Field Hockey, Volunteer
 Chris McVetty, MS Girls Soccer, Volunteer
 Adam Adair, MS Boys Soccer, Volunteer
 Tara Giles, MS Cross Country, Volunteer
 Brad Lufkin, MS Golf, Volunteer
 Devon Mailhot, MS Golf Volunteer

Motion to Amend carried - Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 4

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: J. Akerman
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To approve the following leave of absence request:
 Jacquelyn Cantin, WES, Cook, from September 21- November 13, 2026.

Motion carried– Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 5

Moved by: T. Giles	Seconded by: C. Fountain
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To accept the following resignations:
 Jared Prince, WMRMHS, Physical Education Teacher, effective August 19, 2026.
 Jeffrey Carty, WMRMHS, Math Teacher, effective June 30, 2027.

Discussion: James asked for clarification on the date of one of the resignations.

Motion carried- Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 6

Moved by: C. Fountain	Seconded by: T. Giles
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To approve the pay schedule for non-certified/non-CBA staff.

Motion carried– Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 7

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: T. Giles
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To approve the following policies for amendment:

EFAA- School Board Authority (Formerly School Lunch Program Meal Charges)

GCG- Part-Time and Substitute Professional Staff Employment (Substitute Teachers)

Motion carried– Unanimous

Discussion: James had some questions regarding the last paragraph of policy EFAA- it was determined this was not a typo but is a RSA.

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 8

Moved by: C. Fountain	Seconded by: T. Giles
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To approve the DOE issued, One time (One year) certificate of eligibility for the following employees: Joshua Finkle, WMRMHS, Physical Education Teacher

Motion carried– Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 9

Moved by: J. Akerman	Seconded by: C. Fountain
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To approve the purchase of a Scag Tiger Cat 61-inch Zero-Turn lawn mower from Bear Small Engine Repair, not to exceed \$13,400.00, with funds to come from the Athletic Fields Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion carried– Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 10

Moved by: C. Fountain	Seconded by: A. Adair
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To accept and appropriate unanticipated funds in the amount of \$5,700.00 awarded to the White Mountains Regional High School Robotics Program, from the State of New Hampshire Department of Education Robotics Education Development Program Grant. These funds are to be used towards offsetting the cost of transportation to events/competitions, t-shirts/uniforms, advisor/coach stipends, registration fees and robotics kits, parts and tools.

Motion carried– Unanimous

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 11

Moved by: C. Fountain	Seconded by: T. Giles
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To approve the resolution that Robert Scott, Superintendent and/or Melisa Wadsworth, Director of Finance, are authorized to act on behalf of the White Mountains Regional School District and to purchase, sell, assign, endorse certificates of transfer and do all other things necessary to secure the transfer of stocks, bonds or other financial items of any kind, as such things relate to a bequest from the Estate of George P. and Sandra B. Nauseda. Only one signature will be required.

Motion carried– Unanimous

Discussion: Notification was received from a lawyers office to notify the district that we were named in their will with unidentified funds to go towards student scholarships.

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 12

Moved by: C. Fountain	Seconded by: J. Akerman
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To approve the expenditure, not to exceed \$7,500.00 from the CTE Capital Reserve Fund, to provide student access to the Regional Career Exposition.

Motion carried– Unanimous

Discussion: James asked if this is the nationwide expo. Mr. Scott said this is the Expo next week at the Lancaster fairgrounds. 7-12 graders from WMRMHS will attend, as well as region-3 students.

ACTION AGENDA ITEM 13

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: A. Adair
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To approve the following Fundraising/Crowdfunding request with campaign funds anticipated to exceed \$2,500.00:

Whitefield Elementary School-Little Ceasar's Pizza Kit fundraiser, for all grade levels to raise funds for their end of year field trips.

Motion carried– Unanimous

Discussion: Tara wanted to go on the record to make folks aware of the dangers of kratom

Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (c)

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: C. Fountain
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Motion to go into non-public- RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at 6:38 pm

Motion carried– Unanimous

Moved by: B. Jellison	Seconded by: C. Fountain
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Motion to come out of non-public session at 6:51 pm

Motion carried– Unanimous

Moved by: C Fountain	Seconded by: A. Adair
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Motion to come seal the minutes indefinitely at 6:51 pm

Motion carried– Unanimous

Adjournment

R. Loiacono, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 6:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephanie Glidden
School Board Clerk

*Minutes include only an abridged record of the business conducted. For complete dialogue, please refer to the video recording