

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS  
REGULAR MEETING  
Woodstock High School Learning Resources Center  
February 24, 2026

I – CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Gilmore, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II – ROLL CALL

Present: Dr. Bidwell, Dr. Farris, Mr. Gilmore, Mr. Headley, Mr. Homuth, Mr. Miceli, Mr. Parisi, Dr. Moan, Superintendent and Julie Dillon, Chief Financial Officer.

III - CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION – Moved by Dr. Bidwell and seconded by Mr. Parisi to approve the Consent Agenda including minutes; routine personnel matters with addendum; financial reports; bills payable; and Woodstock High School co-curricular fundraising requests 2025-2026, with roll call vote as follows:

Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

1. Approval of Minutes

1.1 Regular Meeting of February 10, 2026

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters

Employment of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions

Approve the employment of Nicole Andersen as Social Worker for the 2026-2027 school year at salary of \$59,851\*. (MEES/WWE)

### III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

#### 2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters (Con't)

##### Employment of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions (Con't)

Approve the employment of Heidi Carbajal Cruz as Summer School Secretary for the ESY and Middle School programs for the summer, 2026 session. Heidi will submit time sheets for hours worked and will be paid her regular hourly rate.

Approve the employment of Wendy Cortez Urbina as Special Education One-to-One Health Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$19.10 per hour. (VDELC)

Approve the employment of Marin DeNicolo Hann as Special Education One-to-One Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$18.10 per hour. (DES)

Approve the employment of Katy Meyer as Math Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$18.10 per hour. (OES)

Approve the employment of Kayla Van Buren as Special Education Classroom Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$18.10 per hour. (CMS)

Approve the employment of Gwenyth Malecke in an additional position as Head Softball Coach for the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend of \$6,136. (WNHS)

Approve the employment of Lydia Lang as English Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year at a salary of \$58,464\*. (WHS)

Approve the employment of Caroline Bochat as Summer School Teacher for the summer school, 2026 session. Caroline will submit time and will be paid the summer school hourly rate for hours worked.

Approve the employment of Maisie McMenamy as Summer School Speech Language Pathologist for the summer school, 2026 session. Maisie will submit time and will be paid the summer school hourly rate for hours worked.

Approve the employment of Tiffany Moore as Summer School Social Worker for the summer school, 2026 session. Tiffany will submit time and will be paid the summer school hourly rate for hours worked.

Approve the employment of Jessica Nusbaum as Summer School Counselor for the summer school, 2026 session. Jessica will submit time and will be paid the summer school hourly rate for hours worked.

### III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

#### 2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters (Con't)

##### Employment of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions (Con't)

Approve the employment of the following individuals as Summer School Nurses for the summer school, 2026 session: Jean Diamond, Christine Hardin, Jaime Ingeman, and Stacy Spring. These individuals will submit their time and will be paid the summer school hourly rate for hours worked.

Approve the employment of Anne Arias as Special Education One-to-One Health Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$19.10 per hour. (CLAY)

Approve the employment of David Wall as Route Driver for the 2025-2026 school year at 7 hours per day, 5 days per week, \$22.53 per hour. (Transportation)

Approve the employment of David Guza in an additional position as Assistant Softball Coach for the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend of \$5,158. (WNHS)

\* Salary includes Board-paid contribution to TRS.

##### Transfers/Changes/Reclassifications/Correction of Records of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions

Approve the transfer of Jessica Trevisan to a position of Special Education Classroom Associate for the 2025-2026 school year at 6 hours per day, 5 days per week. (VDELC)

Approve a change in hours for Lorena Carrera for the 2025-2026 school year to 7.5 hours per day, 5 days per week. (Transportation – Route Driver)

Approve a reclassification of position for Dale Lindahl to Substitute Bus Driver for the 2025-2026 school year. (Transportation)

Approve a change in hours for Lisa Prehn for the 2025-2026 school year to 3.5 hours per day, 5 day per week. (Transportation – Route Driver)

##### Resignation/Retirement of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions

Approve the resignation of Stephanie McCutcheon, effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year. (CLAY – Special Education Teacher)

Approve the retirement of Lori Tillman, effective the end of the 2029-2030 school year. (GWE – Kindergarten Teacher)

III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters (Con't)

Resignation/Retirement of Licensed Professionals, Educational Support Personnel and Stipend/Coach Positions (Con't)

Approve the resignation of Joseph Carpenter, effective February 28, 2026. (WHS – 3<sup>rd</sup> Shift Custodian)

Approve the resignation of Elizabeth Marrero, effective March 6, 2026. (WHS – Secretary to Assistant Principal)

Approve the resignation of Patricia Osswald, effective February 27, 2026. (GWE – Food Service Personnel)

Approve the resignation of Rachel Ambrose, effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year. (PWE – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher)

Approve the resignation of Jake LaSota, effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year. (PWE – Special Education Teacher/WHS – Assistant Baseball Coach)

Approve the resignation of Rachel Prillaman, effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year. (OES – Special Education Teacher)

Approve the resignation of Otis'Nathanael Jones II, effective April 10, 2026. (WNHS – Special Education Classroom Associate)

Approve the resignation of Micheyla DiDomenico, effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year. (WNHS – Assistant Volleyball Coach)

Any Leaves of Absence

Approve a leave of absence for Kristen Smith beginning February 5, 2026, and continuing through the end of the 2025-2026 school year. (WHS – Special Education Teacher)

Approve a leave of absence for Rylie Meyer beginning August 10, 2026, and continuing through a return date of November 2, 2026. (CMS – Social Worker)

Approve a leave of absence for Diana Oclon beginning February 18, 2026, and continuing through an anticipated return date of April 20, 2026. (WWE – Food Service Manager)

Approve a leave of absence for Ronald Zieman beginning February 17, 2026, and continuing through a return date to be determined. (WNHS – Custodian)

III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)3. Approval of Financial Reports

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Investment Report
3. Budget Summary Report

4. Approval of Bills Payable5. Approval of Woodstock North High School Co-Curricular Fundraising Request 2025-2026IV - RECOGNITION1. 2025-26 Winter Art Show Award Winners

The Winter 2025-26 Art Show was held from December 9 - 16 at the Woodstock Public Library. Hundreds of pieces of original work created by students at all levels were included in the exhibit, which has become a popular draw for library visitors. From the total collection, the District 200 art teachers selected one piece from each school to receive an award. Each piece will be purchased from the artist for a nominal fee and permanently displayed in the artist's school. In addition, one piece was chosen by the Superintendent and will be displayed in the District 200 Administrative Services Center. The students' work will be on display at the Board meeting and then sent to their schools for display. Congratulations to each of these talented artists and to their teachers.

Ray Barnes	Clay	Grade 10
Marlo Cambora	Olson	Grade 3
Quintin Emery	Dean Street	Grade 5
Isabella Erdman	WNHS	Grade 12
Skylar Mcmillen	Northwood	Grade 7
Vivienne O'Leary	Westwood	Grade 3
Runo Odoh-Tadafe	Greenwood	Grade 2
Cian Pacyna	Mary Endres	Grade 4
Amelia Shaffer	WHS	Grade 11
Lylah Stevens	Creekside	Grade 8
Alessandra Villagomez	Prairiewood	Grade 5
Bennett Washkowiak*	Creekside	Grade 6

\* Superintendent's Award

2. District 200 Staff Spotlight – Dean Street Elementary School

Staff Spotlight is a Board of Education initiative to recognize outstanding staff members. Throughout the year, school principals will identify one certified and

IV - RECOGNITION (Con't)2. District 200 Staff Spotlight – Dean Street Elementary School (Con't)

one classified staff member from their building to be honored for exceptional effort in their jobs. We are proud to recognize the following individuals from Dean Street Elementary School:

Scott Becker	Special Education Teacher
Erin Menge	RTI Associate

Congratulations to Scott and Erin, and thank you for your outstanding efforts on behalf of your students.

MOTION - Moved by Mr. Gilmore and seconded by Mr. Headley to introduce the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 wishes to recognize the contributions of these individuals, and WHEREAS, District 200 has benefited as a result of these accomplishments; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 hereby bestows special recognition and a certificate of achievement on behalf of the citizens of the District, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes

V - COMMUNICATIONS

*“Communications are a time for community members and District employees to express a point of view, not to debate an issue. There will be a sign-up sheet for the public to identify their name, address, phone number, name of the organization you represent (if any) and a brief description of the topic to be addressed. Comments are generally limited to 3 minutes (See Board Policy 2:230).*

Mr. Headley mentioned that he was happy to see that the solar panels are now up and running at Woodstock North and we are finally producing energy.

Mr. Gilmore congratulated the Woodstock High School boys basketball team on winning their conference. He also congratulated the girls team for their great season as well.

There were no public or staff comments.

## VI - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Moan reported that Spring signals the beginning of the District's music festivals. He noted that the first of these festivals, the District Choral Festival, will be held on Monday, March 16th at Woodstock North High School at 7:00 PM.

Dr. Moan shared an exciting change coming to Clay next year. He noted that this year at Clay there is currently one Target (autism) classroom. Dr. Moan advised that, as part of a focused effort to effectively address the diverse learning needs of our students, the Target program will increase to three classrooms next year. This expansion is designed to ensure that the district can provide appropriate and individualized instruction to a growing number of identified students.

Dr. Moan informed the Board that earlier this year, Governor Pritzker signed a law which prohibits public bodies to meet on an election day. March 17th is a general primary election date and also a Board of Education meeting. In order to comply with the new law, the Board will be asked to consider rescheduling their meeting date. Dr. Moan added that unlike the general election in November, we can still have school on March 17th.

## VII - MONITORING REPORT

### 1. AI Committee and Instructional Integration

Assistant Superintendent Justin Smith introduced Elon Shaffer and Kelly Healless, two teachers who will share a little bit about the instructional piece and what they are doing in their classrooms with AI. Dr. Smith explained that over the course of the past few years, an AI Committee has developed some frameworks and ideas to support our students with AI as it becomes more predominant within our society and in our classrooms.

Part of the AI Committee was responsible for creating the D200 Student AI Integration Guide, which allows teachers to communicate to students the permissible level of AI use. Other Committee tasks included putting together staff surveys and planning professional development opportunities. Dr. Smith noted that a pilot group was formed, comprised of five to six teachers at each level (elementary, middle and high school) to work on different pieces to support our students' instruction in the classroom. Students and teachers have access to Google Gemini and Magic School, with both programs offering a high level of student privacy. The main goal of the pilot group, Dr. Smith added, was instructional focus.

Ms. Healless updated the Board on how she has used AI since the beginning of the school year. She shared that by using sources that she uploaded into Notebook LM, Gemini created a Podcast, an infographic, audio and visual

## VII - MONITORING REPORT

### 2. AI Committee and Instructional Integration

presentation over the same information. She mentioned that the students prefer the visual presentation as they can really see what they've done.

Mr. Shaffer explained that he uses Gems in his classroom, where he can create widgets using prompts to send to students either via email or post them in Canvas. He created a quick grammar checker, using symbols for proofreading for student grammar, mechanics and punctuation. As another example, Mr. Shaffer also had his students ask Gemini to create an advertisement using the prompts they give, and then assess Gemini on a rubric as to how well it did.

Dr. Moan mentioned that although some people may be wary of AI, there are ways to use it as a tool to help kids stimulate the way they think and not as a substitute for students doing their own work.

Dr. Bidwell asked if the Board could have a copy of the D200 Student Integration Guide (Stoplight). Mr. Gilmore commented that whatever we decide to do with AI, there is still a human element attached to it in terms of making it more successful. He detailed the course of AI integration by first defining how and when it may be used and what constitutes academic dishonesty. The second phase is where we are right now, finding and exploring options for teachers to introduce and use AI in their classroom teaching and then finally, assessing and determining and addressing any challenges that may come up.

This was an informational report only. No formal Board action was required.

## VIII - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## IX - NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Proposal to Change March 17, 2026 Regular Board of Education Meeting and Approve Amended Regular Meeting Schedule

This item is on the agenda so the Board can consider changing their March 17, 2026 regular Board of Education Meeting and amend their regular meeting schedule.

Dr. Moan explained that Governor Pritzker signed a law at the beginning of this year prohibiting a public body from scheduling or holding a meeting on the day of any general primary election, general election, consolidated primary election, or consolidated election.

The regular District 200 Board of Education meeting is currently scheduled for March 17, 2026, which coincides with the date of the general primary election.

Dr. Moan recommended moving the March 17, 2026, regular Board of Education meeting to March 31, 2026, to avoid conflicting with the general primary election and the subsequent Spring Break.

MOTION - Moved by Mr. Homuth and seconded by Mr. Parisi to approve the amendment to the regular Board of Education meeting schedule, setting the new date for the regular meeting as March 31, 2026, which replaces the originally scheduled date of March 17, 2026, to prevent a conflict with the general primary election, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes

X - COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

XII - ADJOURNMENT

MOTION - Moved by Dr. Farris and seconded by Dr. Bidwell to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m., with roll call vote as follows:

Dr.	Farris	- Yes
Dr.	Bidwell	- Yes
Mr.	Parisi	- Yes
Mr.	Miceli	- Yes
Mr.	Homuth	- Yes
Mr.	Headley	- Yes
Mr.	Gilmore	- Yes

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John D. Parisi, Secretary

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Carl W. Gilmore, President