

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Special Meeting - 1:00 PM**  
**May 7, 2020**  
**Online/Virtual Zoom Meeting**

**IMPORTANT MEETING NOTICE:** Pursuant to the Governor's Proclamation No. 20-28, school board meetings during the COVID-19 disease outbreak must not take place in-person, but occur remotely. **Members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting via telephone may do so. The call in number is 1-301-715-8592. An access code is required and can be obtained ahead of time by contacting Susie Golden at 509-526-6715 or [sgolden@wwps.org](mailto:sgolden@wwps.org).**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** *Mr. Wells*

**II. ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Sam Wells, President                      Mr. Eric Rindal  
Mr. Derek Sarley, Vice President      Mrs. Terri Trick  
Mrs. Ruth Ladderud

**III. REPORTS:** *Mr. Wells*

1. Resolution 07-2020 Support of WSSDA in Opposing Legislation that Reduces Local Effort Assistance Funding: *Mr. Sarley*

**IV. ACTION:** *Mr. Wells*

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**V. ADJOURNMENT:** *Mr. Wells*



**RESOLUTION #07-2020**

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WALLA WALLA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 140  
Walla Walla County, Washington

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sam Wells  
School Board President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
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