



## BOARD BRIEF

The Washington Community High School District #308 Board of Education consists of seven members who are elected by the community to serve a four-year term.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Regular Board Meeting**  
April 17, 2023 (7:00 PM)

## March 2023 Board Meeting Summary



### Highlights of Reports and Discussion Items

The following items were presented to the board:

**Wrestling Team Recognition** – The [wrestling team](#) and [individual state finalists](#) were recognized for their exceptional season. The 2023 wrestling team had an undefeated conference season and won the Mid-Illini Conference Championship for the fourteenth consecutive year extending the Mid-Illini record, qualified 10 wrestlers for the state tournament and had 7 all-state wrestlers, was regional champion for the twelfth time, and won their seventh team state trophy and fifth State Championship. Congratulations!

**National Merit Finalist** – Trenton Watson was recognized as a finalist in the [National Merit Scholarship Program of 2023](#). He advanced to finalist standing in the program by demonstrating distinguished performance and high potential for future academic accomplishment. Congratulations!

**All State Musicians** – The [All State Musicians](#) for band, choir, and orchestra were recognized. These students auditioned for the honor to participate in the Illinois Music Educators All-State Festival and earned the opportunity to perform with musicians from all over the state and work with professional conductors and educators from across the country. Congratulations!

**Coach Metz** – Lauren Metz was recognized for being selected as the 2023 Illinois Drill Team Association Coach of the Year for her work with the Pantherettes Dance team. Congratulations!

**Visitors and Correspondence** – Visitors expressed concerns related to an assignment in a Consumer Economics class and concerns about the result of baseball try-outs for a student.

**Enrollment Report** – The current enrollment as of March 1, 2023 is 1,445 students.

**Athletic Director's Report** – The [winter season](#) had many successes including band, choir, speech, dance, cheer, chess, athletics, hosting tournaments, etc.

**Administrator for Instructional Data and Research** – Juniors will take the SAT on March 22, 2023. The Five Essentials Survey closes on March 30 and has a 93% participation for teachers and staff and 79% for students. The data validation process has been started for Frontline Student Analytics to compare databases for accuracy. Training will begin over the summer for using the data analytics tool.

**Financial Report** – Dr. Beverlin presented the investment and insurance report, which shows investments of approximately \$7.5M, and insurance costs through February 28, 2023. The insurance fund ended the year in a positive balance resulting from the funds in the plan and the stop loss process. Additional reports are available on our school website at [www.wacohi.net](http://www.wacohi.net) > [District 308 tab](#) > [Financial Dashboard](#).

### Board Committee Reports

**Facilities:** The committee discussed several projects including the 10-year facility plan, designated funds, and HVAC updates.

**Finance:** The committee discussed insurance agent RFO results, natural gas supply, 1999 band trailer auction and disposal of the 2004 band trailer, disposal of kitchen items, swim blocks, and 3-year financial projections.

**Intergovernmental Agreement with Tazewell County EFE** – The board reviewed the intergovernmental agreement that includes the details of the cooperative we participate in for Education for Employment (EFE) classes such as welding, business, childcare, foods, etc.

**3-Year Staffing Plan** – The superintendent shared the [3-year staffing plan](#) including new positions and replacement hiring.



### Highlights of Action Items

The following items were approved:

**Personnel** – The Board of Education approved the following personnel change:

**Certified Employment:** The Board of Education approved the employment of Marissa Griminger - School Psychologist.

**Extracurricular Employment:** The Board of Education approved the employment of Todd Stevens as the Associate Head Football Coach for the 2023-2024 school year.

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The following items were approved:

**Boys Tennis Trip** – The Board of Education approved an overnight trip for the boys tennis team to compete in a tournament.

**ISP Agreement** – The Board of Education approved an intergovernmental agreement to share information concerning any clear and present dangers with the Illinois State Police.

**Insurance Broker** – The Board of Education approved Unland as the district's insurance broker for all lines of property, liability, surety, and worker's compensation insurance.

**Natural Gas Supply Contract** – The Board of Education authorized the superintendent or designee to enter into a natural gas supply contract at a natural gas supply rate not to exceed 54 cents/therm.

**Swim Blocks** – The Board of Education approved the purchase of eight (8) swim blocks from Kiefer Aquatics at the price of \$45,273.00 to be installed at Five Points swimming pool.

**Band Trailer** – The Board of Education approved the sale of the 1999 Interstate Trailer to the highest bidder Ryan Martin in the amount of \$2,514.00.

**Disposition of District Property** – The Board of Education approved the disposition of District personal property as listed: Hobart Mixer – Broken – will be disposed of or donated and a Bun Cappuccino Machine – will be sold, disposed of, or donated.

## Links of interest



[Finance Reports](#)



[February Approved Minutes](#)



[March Board Agenda](#)



[March 2023 Board Meeting Video](#)

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