



**Winfield School District 34**  
**Minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting**

Thursday, March 26, 2026 7:00 PM  
Winfield School Central Cafeteria, 0S150 Park St, Winfield, IL 60190

I. **CALL TO ORDER 7:00PM**

II. **ROLL CALL**

**Board of Education Members in attendance:** Lynn Kammes, Carrie Linden, Dave Hempe (6:56PM), Alisa Wolfe, Dan Krasinski, Heather Armstrong, Matt Tibble,  
**Also, Present:** Matt Rich, Superintendent; Melissa Doucet, Building Leader; Dave Baum, Tech Support; Lisa Honaker, CSBO; Amanda Melsa, Board Secretary; Jennifer Gendel, Coordinator of Student Services;  
**Staff:** Sonja Nasiopulos, Amanda Burt, Aya Makki, Emily Schreiber,  
**Visitor(s):** Jimenez Family,

III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Done during Policy Hearing

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA - ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the agenda as presented. (Roll Call) Revised Agenda Remove 11D. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

V. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

VI. **PUBLIC PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION**

A. **Student of the Month** - [Liam Jimenez](#)

B. **TIF2**

**Legal Challenges Against TIF 2:**

● **Failure to Meet Statutory Requirements:**

- *The school districts argue that TIF 2 enacted by the Village of Winfield does not meet legal criteria, including the requirement to demonstrate blight and other mandated factors.*

● **Non-Contiguous Properties Issue:**

- *The village improperly combined several disconnected properties to create the TIF.*
- *A key issue involves a parking garage included in the TIF, which will remain on the tax rolls for only 20 years, shorter than the TIF's duration, leaving the school districts without long-term revenue benefits.*

● **Municipal vs. Economic Development Purpose:**

- *The districts argue that TIF 2 is intended primarily for municipal development, with most funds directed towards a municipal center, which will not expand the tax base for other taxing bodies.*

● **Failure to Meet the "But-For" Test:**

- *The districts assert that development is already occurring without TIF funds, primarily due to a \$65-70 million investment by Central DuPage Hospital, making the TIF unnecessary for further economic growth.*

● **Legal Proceedings Update:**

- *The Board was updated on ongoing TIF 2 legal matters, including a recent judgment in a related case. The issue may advance to higher courts. The Board acknowledged potential statewide impact and will continue to monitor developments.*

VII. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the minutes as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

A. February 26, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

B. February 26, 2026 Closed Session Minutes

VIII. **CONSENT AGENDA (Routine matters that do not require discussion)**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the Consent Agenda action items A and B (read every listed item) as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

A. **Approval of Finance Reports**

1. Bill List - Payable List and List of Other Payments
2. Treasurer/Fund Balance/Bank Reconciliation Report

B. **Other Approvals**

IX. **COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD**

A. **Superintendent's Report**

1. **Legislative Update**

Springfield is in the process of analyzing potential new laws and the potential impact of those. One interesting proposal that has made it out of committee is one which would allow support staff to apply for unemployment for times such as winter break and summer. This could have a significant impact on the expenditures related to those employment roles of which we have several. We are watching this language carefully to see what rules/regulations may need to be in place for these positions. This may cause us to need to rethink non-12 month support staff roles and responsibilities. If the law passes through the legislature we will more actively analyze the impacts on our organization. Another piece of legislation garnering attention is the proposed cell phone ban. This will have no impact on us as students are already required to place their cell phones and smart watches in their locker during school hours except as required by a 504, health plan, or IEP.

2. **Facility Updates**

We are moving ahead with planning for the next steps in the Capital Plan. Tonight we will be approving the IMEG Mechanicals Assessment and the ROE Security Audit. We have postponed the FGM Health Life Safety Assessment until the April Board Meeting so that we may have the full scope of the process available for the Board. We have begun to gather committee members for the planning and facilities committee, perhaps we may want a board member or two on each group. I anticipate that these groups will really begin their work in September. A great many projects will be occurring next week including repainting the Primary gym floor, installation of the roof of the 1 room school house, installation of the new fire control panel at Central, and installation of LED lights in the Commons, Band Room, and high parts of the cafeteria.

*Odell Showalter and Board Award - We are getting to that time of year where we recognize many of our great contributions from our staff, families, and community. Amanda will be sending out nomination forms for Odell Showalter in the April Tiger Prints. This is a good moment to get everyone starting to think about these awards. Just a reminder, here is the criteria.*

3. **WEF Update**

We're excited to invite you to participate in our 10th Annual Tiger Run, which is blasting off this year with a fun Tiger Space Race theme! This family-friendly event is open to everyone--whether you're a seasoned runner or just want to enjoy a walk with friends and family. Participants can choose between a 5K or 1-mile run/walk (or a quick kids

dash for ages 5 & under) making it perfect for all ages and ability levels. Register by April 15th to guarantee you receive a t-shirt in your preferred size. The registration link is in Tiger Prints and on WEF's website: [wef.winfield34.org](http://wef.winfield34.org). Thank you to all of our generous sponsors and volunteers that are making this event possible!

B. [Principal's Report](#)

C. [Finance Report from Director of Business Services](#)

Administration reported that the transition to a self-operated food service program has resulted in significant cost savings and improved service quality. Year-to-date expenses are substantially lower than previous years, with revenues slightly exceeding costs, keeping the program on track to finish well under prior expenditures. Participation varies by menu offerings, and plans are in place to refine menus, increase student interest, and maintain compliance with federal guidelines while exploring additional options for improvement.

X. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. **Approve Keycard Installation Proposal - State Maintenance Grant**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the installation of key card access to doors by GoldyLocks at a cost of \$30,292 as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

B. **Approve 5 year agreement with Net 56 for Managed Information Technology Services**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the 5 year contract with Net 56 for managed informational technology services at an annual cost of \$208,310.56. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

C. **Approve 5 year agreement for Managed Internet and Firewall Services**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the 5 year contract with Net 56 for managed internet and firewall services at an annual cost of \$106,123.56. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

XI. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Personnel**

1. **Approve Long Term Substitute - Preschool for All**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the employment of MaryAnn Trevino as Long Term Substitute for the Preschool for All classroom as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

2. **Approve Employment of First Grade Teacher - 2026-27**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the hiring of Kelsie Freundt as a First Grade Teacher at a salary of \$51,422 for the 2026-27 school year as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

3. **Approve Employment of MS Science Teacher 2026-27**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the hiring of Micah Giesen as a Middle School Science Teacher at a salary of \$53,922 for the 2026-27 school year as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

4. **Approve Social Worker for 2026-27**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the hiring of Abigail McKenna as a Social Worker at a salary of \$58,113 plus 5 additional days per diem for the 2026-27 school year as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

**B. Approve IMEG Mechanical Systems Assessment**

**Action(s):** I move to approve the IMEG Mechanical Systems Assessment at a cost of \$6,000 as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

**C. Approve DuPage ROE Security Assessment**

**Action(s):** I move to approve contracting with the DuPage Regional Office of Education for a security assessment at the cost of \$3850 as presented. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

**D. Approve 10 year Health Life Safety Assessment**

**E. Board Procedures and Exhibit Updates**

*For information only, no Board approval needed.*

**F. Freedom of Information Act Requests**

1. [Sheri Reid - SmartProcure](#)

**XII. Items for Future Agendas**

- A. Future Programming/Elective Options

**XIII. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – Reason 1.** *The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with [the Open Meetings Act]. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).* **Reason 12.** *Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).*

**Action(s):** I move to adjourn to closed session. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

**XIV. ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION TO REGULAR SESSION**

**Action(s):** I move to adjourn from closed session to open session. A roll call vote was taken. This motion, made by Dave Hempe and seconded by Matt Tibble, **Passed**.

**Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

**XV. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION**

- A. None

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

**Action(s):** I move that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned. A voice vote was taken at

9:14PM. This motion, made by Matt Tibble and seconded by Heather Armstrong. **Passed Voting Detail:** Heather Armstrong: **Yea**, Dave Hempe: **Yea**, Lynn Kammes: **Yea**, Dan Krasinski: **Yea**, Carrie Linden: **Yea**, Matt Tibble: **Yea**, Alisa Wolfe: **Yea**

Regular Board of Education Meetings:

**\*Unless otherwise noted, all Board of Education Meetings are on Thursdays and begin at 7:00 PM. They are located in the Winfield Central School Cafeteria.**

Regular Thursday, March 26, 2026

**Approved:**

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Dan Krasinski, President  
Board of Education

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Lynn Kammes, Secretary  
Board of Education