

September 3, 2025

A special meeting of the Washington School Board was held on Wednesday, September 3, 2025 in the high school cafeteria.

The meeting was called to order at 5:43 pm by President Sparks-Gatling.

Roll Call:

Members Present:	Mrs. Rhonda Barnes	Mrs. Kimberly Kelley
	Mr. Eric Bird	Mrs. Pamela Kilgore
	Mr. John Campbell, Sr.	Mrs. Amy Roberts
	Mrs. Jennifer Ewing	Mrs. Tara Sparks-Gatling
	Mr. Rodney Jones	

Non-Voting Member Present: Mr. Robert Mihelcic, Acting Superintendent

Present: Mrs. Emily DiNardo, Business Manager
Mrs. Rebecca Heaton-Hall, Solicitor

Moment of Silence: A moment of silence was held for the sudden passing of Mr. Ron Todd, junior high teacher, football, baseball and bocce coach.

President Welcomes Visitors: Mrs. Sparks-Gatling extended a welcome to the public and stated the following, “In accordance with Washington School District Policy No. 005 entitled “Public Participation at Meetings”, this public participation session shall not exceed 20 minutes. Any individual resident may make comments not to exceed three minutes. Any resident who wishes to address the Board should have submitted to the President of the Board or to the Board’s Secretary a written statement including their name and address, the name of the group the speaker is representing, if any, and the general nature of the topic and comments to be made. Any resident who has not submitted a written request shall have the right to speak, time permitting by raising his or her hand so that they may be recognized.

-Kelly Jones, 75 West Hallam Avenue, stated concerns she had with last Friday’s football game with students running around without any supervision and a few people who were wearing biker colors. She also gave a shoutout to Mrs. Branagan for her fantastic newsletter.

Questions on the Agenda: The Board reviewed the agenda.

Agenda: Mr. Jones moved and Mrs. Barnes seconded that the agenda be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel: Mr. Campbell moved and Mr. Bird seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Appointment of **Alisa King** as superintendent of the Washington School District, at a salary of \$145,000, effective September 4, 2025 to September 3, 2028.

Motion carried, members voting as follows:

Mrs. Barnes	-no	Mrs. Kelley	-yes
Mr. Bird	-yes	Mrs. Kilgore	-yes
Mr. Campbell	-yes	Mrs. Roberts	-no
Mrs. Ewing	-no	Mrs. Sparks-Gatling	-yes
Mr. Jones	-yes		

Mr. Bird moved and Mrs. Ewing seconded that the Board approve the following:

- Rescind the resignation of **Shawn Hughes-Ankrom**, technology ed/STEM teacher, retroactive to August 18, 2025.
- Resignation of **Brian Dankis**, health and physical education teacher, after 1 year of service in the district. Mr. Dankis' last day of work was August 18, 2025.
- Resignation of **Ashley Larkin**, secondary math teacher, after 2 weeks of service in the district. Ms. Larkin's last day of work was August 29, 2025.
- Resignation of **Nicole Doss**, full-time paraprofessional, after 3 years of service in the district. Ms. Doss' last day of work was June 6, 2025.
- Resignation of **Derek Behrens**, full-time maintenance worker, after 1½ years of service in the district. Mr. Behren's last day of work will be September 5, 2025.
- Recommend **Jessie Simpson** as a secondary special education teacher, bachelor's +15, step 5, \$50,435, effective September 4, 2025.
- Recommend **Alexis Morgan** as a part-time cafeteria worker, 177-181 days a year, 3 hours a day, \$14.88 per hour, retroactive to August 22, 2025.
- Recommend **Angela Anderson** as a full-time paraprofessional, 186 days a year, 7½ hours a day, \$15.85 per hour, retroactive to August 25, 2025.
- Reclassification of **Shaina Rohr** from a 3-hour cafeteria worker to a 5½ hour cafeteria worker, retroactive to August 26, 2025.
- Addition of **Brandy LaQuatra** and **Julia Calder** to the list of cyber teachers for the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: Mr. Jones moved and Mr. Campbell seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried unanimously. 5:53 pm.

/s/ Lisa Coffield
Lisa Coffield, Board Secretary