Wiesbaden High School SAC Meeting
Quarter 1 Minutes
September 2, 2026
Meeting start time 3:30 pm by Regina Huhtanen
Location: WHS Information Center/Library

1. Welcome and Introductions
    a. Chair – Regina Huhtanen
    b. Vice Chair – Amanda Deich
    c. Secretary – Magi Carbone
    d. WHS Student Representative – Vacant
    e. Current SY25/26 Committee Members – Priscilla Riddell-Bellido, Sarah Pingrey, Yasmin Helal-Barber, Dan McGill, Chris Heatherly, Suzanne Dickinson, James Dickinson
    f. Administration – Ms. Lauren Tobias, Principal; Mr. DiMartino, Assistant Principal

2. Reports/Updates
    a. Enrollment – 587 students
    b. 61 new students enrolled over the summer.
    c. Cell phone policy was implemented at the beginning of the school year.
    d. Students have been receptive to the new policy.
    e. Parents were thanked for their support in helping enforce the policy.

3. Old Business
    a. No old business was discussed.

4. New Business
    a. Cell Phone Policy
        i. Students have been receptive to the new policy.
        ii. Parents were thanked for their continued support in enforcing the policy.

    b. Bus Safety Concerns
        i. Students have been observed running between buses, creating safety concerns.
        ii. Parent suggested involving Military Police as an additional safety measure.

    c. Bus Maintenance Issues
        i. Reports were shared regarding damaged/broken bus seats, exposed seat frames.
        ii. A parent contacted the bus office and was informed that cleaning and maintenance are not included in the current bus contract.
        iii. Questions were raised regarding what is considered “working condition” and which types of maintenance are included in the contract.
        iv. A parent suggested determining when the current contract is up for renewal.
        v. A parent suggested that the bus monitor remain on the bus until students have exited and moved safely away from the buses.
        vi. The Transportation Office is currently reviewing the available data.

d. Student Accessibility Issues

i. Students have been provided links and assignments that cannot be accessed on school-issued Chromebooks.

ii. A question was raised about whether certain websites or links could be unblocked at a teacher's request.

e. Sports Physical Requirements

i. Some students were turned away from sports because they did not have a current physical on file.

ii. A parent asked whether the school could host a "sports physical rodeo" in the future.

iii. Administration clarified that students are required to have only one physical on file for all sports seasons.

iv. Information regarding physical requirements is included in flyers provided to new families.

v. Parent requested that the school get in contact with a specific POC to work with the clinic to set up physicals, whether it's a rodeo or some other easily accessible process for parents

f. School Sports Interruption

i. A question was raised regarding whether sports seasons would be interrupted if a continuing resolution is not passed.

g. AP Course Mashup

i. Students are required to take both courses when enrolling in one of the courses included in the AP course mashup.

ii. Student data supports the benefit of combining the classes into a single course.

5. Open Discussion

a. Mental Health Services for Civilians

i. An incident over the previous weekend prompted concerns regarding the process for contacting parents when a civilian requires assistance.

ii. After Military Police (MPs) were contacted, parents were unable to be located.

iii. During the previous IACS meeting, the general public was informed that contacting the MPs was the appropriate step to assist with this type of issue.

iv. Guidance from the assembly was to elevate the matter to the IAC.

b. Student Scheduling Issues

i. Students are asked to begin selecting classes as early as September/October. This allows the counseling team to determine staffing needs for the upcoming school year.

ii. Counselors meet individually with each student in the spring to confirm class selections.

iii. Graduation requirements are prioritized when creating student schedules.

iv. Students are given an opportunity to replace classes they no longer wish to take when they meet individually with their counselor during the add/drop period.

v. A parent requested clarification regarding DVS courses and whether students may take them in addition to their regular course schedule.

vi. DVS courses cannot conflict with a face-to-face course being offered and students may take no more than seven DVS credits per academic year.

6. Additional Information
    a. SAC Board training for new members will be held on September 28.
    b. The Vice Chair and parent rep positions are open.

7. **Motion to adjourn** by Regina Huhtanen at 1631

Minutes respectfully submitted by Magnolia Carbone