

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
December 17, 2018

A Tradition of Excellence: Preparing today's students for tomorrow's challenges.

The Board of School Trustees of the Wa-Nee Community Schools met Monday evening, December 17, 2018.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at the Wa-Nee Admin. Office at 6:15 PM by School Board President Don Lehman.

2. ROLL CALL

On roll call by School Board Secretary Shawn Johnson, the following members responded as present:

Don Lehman	Eric Brown	Lou Bonacorsi	Christina Eshelman
Curt Flickinger	Terry Graber	Shawn Johnson	

Superintendent Scot Croner, Director of Curriculum Gretchen McEndarfer, and Business Manager Randi Libby, and Clerk Lisa Hall were also present.

3. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Eric Brown seconded the motion to approve the amendments to the agenda as presented by Mr. Lehman. Vote: 7-0

4. CONSENT ITEMS

School board member Eric Brown made, and Shawn Johnson seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items with the addition of the consent items as presented by Mr. Lehman. Vote: 7-0

- A. Consideration of the regular board minutes for November 26, 2018
- B. Consideration of the claims dated December 17, 2018
- C. Consideration of the Personnel items
 1. **Employment** (the following shall be employed upon satisfactorily completing all pre-employment Expanded Criminal History Background & Drug Testing)
 - i. Jason DeMien, Elementary Wrestling Coordinator, effective November 30, 2019
 - ii. Ashley Acton, P/T Cafeteria @ NWHS, effective December 3, 2018
 - iii. Steven Allen, Jazz Band Instructor @ NWHS, effective December 5, 2018
 - iv. Dennis Lewis, Ass't Wrestling @ NWHS, effective December 10, 2018
 - v. Emily Zahner, Life Skills Ass't @ WES, effective January 7, 2019
 - vi. Patty Dial, ESL Ass't @ NES, effective January 7, 2019
 - vii. Sandra Blue, P/T Custodian @ NWHS, effective TBD
 - viii. Lindsay London, Corporation Mental Health Counselor, effective January 1, 2019
 2. **Retirement/Resignation/End of Employment**
 - i. Phil Ummel, Head Girls Soccer Coach @ NWHS, effective November 28, 2018
 - ii. Bailey Diener, ESL Assistant @ NWHS, effective December 20, 2018
 - iii. Sue Troxel, Special Ed Assistant @ WES, effective December 7, 2018
 - iv. Amy Mestach, Part-Time Cafeteria @ NWMS, effective December 20, 2018
 - v. Bryce Stipp, Full-Time Custodian @ NWHS, effective December 13, 2018
 - vi. Hannah Taylor, Special Ed Teacher @ NWMS, effective December 20, 2018
 3. **Leave of Absence**
- D. **Consideration of Professional Leave Requests**
 - i. Kelly Vorhis, 2019 Themes in Literature PBL, December 12, 2018, NWHS
 - ii. Brad Duerksen, 2019 Themes in Literature PBL, December 12, 2018, NWHS
 - iii. Patrick Thompson, 2019 Themes in Literature PBL, December 12, 2018, NWHS
 - iv. Gretchen McEndarfer, ILEARN ELA, January 16, 2019, Plymouth
 - v. Gretchen McEndarfer, ILEARN Math, January 31, 2019, Mishawaka
 - vi. Jared Hamsher, Elementary CS Fundamentals Workshop, February 26, 2019, Mishawaka
 - vii. Beth Beer, ILEARN ELA, January 16, 2019, Plymouth

Consideration of Professional Leave Requests (cont'd)

- viii. Beth Beer, ILEARN Math, January 31, 2019, Mishawaka
- ix. Brant Nine, ILEARN ELA, January 16, 2019, Plymouth
- x. Mandy DeMien, ILEARN Math, January 31, 2019, Mishawaka
- xi. Kham Piercy, Computer Science Fundamental Workshop, February 26, 2019, Mishawaka
- xii. Kelly Vorhis, 2019 Themes in Literature PBL, January 18, 2019, NWHS
- xiii. Brad Duerksen, 2019 Themes in Literature PBL, January 18, 2019, NWHS
- xiv. Patrick Thompson, 2019 Themes in Literature PBL, January 18, 2019, NWHS
- xv. Kay Kelley, ILEARN ELA, January 16, 2019, Plymouth
- xvi. Kay Kelley, ILEARN Math, January 31, 2019, Mishawaka
- xvii. Angie Swain, ILEARN ELA, January 16, 2019, Plymouth
- xviii. Jayme Will, ILEARN Math, January 31, 2019, Mishawaka

E. Consideration of Grants and Donations

- i. \$250 donation from Lawson-Fisher Associate P.C. to be used by the Wakarusa Robotics Team
- ii. \$100 donation from Everence to be used by the Wakarusa Robotics Team
- iii. \$250 donation from Neil & Arika Chilberg to be used by the 6th Grade NWMS Robotics Team
- iv. \$250 donation from David Weaver to be used by the 6th Grade NWMS Robotics Team
- v. \$150 anonymous donation to be used to help families in need at NWMS
- vi. \$2,000 donation from Nappanee Missionary Church to be used by the Wa-Nee Lunch Program
- vii. \$250 donation from the Farmhouse Spa LLC to be used by the 6th Grade NWMS Robotics Team
- viii. \$500 donation from the Philanthropic Partnerships to be used by the NWMS Robotics Team
- ix. \$150 donation from Sports Image to be used by the Wakarusa Robotics Team
- x. \$200 donation from Thor Motor Coach to be used by the Wakarusa Robotics Team
- xi. \$50 donation from Paul Farms to be used by the Wakarusa Robotics Team
- xii. \$250 donation from Anglin Electric to be used by the Woodview Robotics Team
- xiii. \$500 anonymous donation to be used by the Woodview Robotics Team

5. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

David Teall and Austin Francis representing AXA Financial Advisors introduced themselves to the Board and expressed their desire to work with Wa-Nee and its employees regarding their investment needs.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF THE UPDATED SRO AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF NAPPANEE

School board member Eric Brown made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the updated SRO Agreement with the City of Nappanee as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 7-0

E. APPROVAL OF THE OUT OF STATE AND/OR OVERNIGHT TRAVEL REQUEST FOR:

- Wakarusa 5th grade to Camp Amigo May 116-17, 2019
- NWMS 8th grade to Chicago Navy Pier & Wrigley Field May 23, 2019
- NWHS FFA to FFA Leadership Camp at Trafalgar, IN February 1-3, 2019
- NWHS FFA to State FFA Leadership Contest at Purdue University June 17-20, 2019
- NWHS Academic Team to State Super Bowl Competition at Purdue University May 3-4, 2019

School board member Eric Brown made, and Christina Eshelman seconded the motion to approve the out of state and/or overnight travel as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 7-0

7. **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

- A. Curriculum/Assessment Update – Gretchen McEndarfer
- B. Christmas Break – Friday, December 21 thru Friday, January 4

**Allowance of Accounts Payable Vouchers
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(IC 5-11-10-2 permits the governing body to sign the Accounts Payable Voucher Register in lieu of signing each claim the governing body is allowing.) We have examined the vouchers listed on the forgoing accounts payable voucher register, consisting of 7 pages, and payroll voucher register consisting of 43 pages except for vouchers not allowed as shown on the register such vouchers are allowed in the total amount of **\$2,307,965.65**.

Dated on this **17th day of December, 2018**

There being no more items to come to the attention of the board, school board member Shawn Johnson made, and Eric Brown supported the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Vote: 7-0

SIGNED:



Don Lehman, Board President



Shawn Johnson, Board Secretary