

**WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
**Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana**  
**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE**  
**BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**  
**February 8, 2021**

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

*This meeting is a meeting of the School Board in public for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be time for public participation as indicated by agenda item IV.*

The Board of School Trustees of the Wa-Nee Community Schools met Monday evening, February 8, 2021, in their first meeting of the month.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. The meeting was called to order at the Wa-Nee Administration Office at 6:00 PM by School Board President Christina Eshelman.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call

On roll call by Secretary Curt Flickinger the following members responded as present:

Don Lehman	Christina Eshelman	Curt Flickinger	Terry Graber
Lou Bonacorsi	Todd Gongwer	Shawn Johnson	

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

**II. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

School board member Don Lehman made, and Curt Flickinger seconded the motion to approve the amendments to the agenda as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 7-0

**III. CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. Consideration of the regular board meeting minutes for January 25, 2021
- B. Consideration of the claims dated February 8, 2021
- 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. Ashley Garl, .5 ESL Assistant @ NES, effective February 1, 2021
    - ii. Daniel Bearss, 8<sup>th</sup> Boys Basketball @ NWMS, effective October 2020
  - 2. Resignation/Retirement/End of Employment
    - i. Staci Smith, Instructional Ass't @ WES, effective January 26, 2021
    - ii. Jon Andrews, NWHS Football Assistant B, effective January 29, 2021
    - iii. Geoff Clemans, NWHS Football Assistant B, effective January 29, 2021
    - iv. Todd Wegmiller, Industrial Tech Teacher @ NWMS, effective May 26, 2021
    - v. Todd Wegmiller, Track Coach @ NWMS, effective May 26, 2021
    - vi. Erin Combs, Special Ed Ass't @ NWMS, effective February 12, 2021
    - vii. Brant Nine, 8<sup>th</sup> Girls Track Coach @ NWMS, effective February 2, 2021

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D. Consideration of Professional Leave Requests

- i. Skyler Garner, I Love You Guys Training, February 4-5, 2021, Virtually
- ii. Sheila Cripe, IASBO School Nutrition Seminar, February 25, 2021, Virtually
- iii. Lisa Paul, IASBO School Nutrition Seminar, February 25, 2021, Virtually
- iv. Marie Wengard, IASBO School Nutrition Seminar, February 25, 2021, Virtually
- v. Sharon Coleman, IASBO School Nutrition Seminar, February 25, 2021, Virtually
- vi. Christina Miller, IASBO School Nutrition Seminar, February 25, 2021, Virtually
- vii. Claudia Blosser, IASBO School Nutrition Seminar, February 25, 2021, Virtually
- viii. Lori Persing, Tier 2 Instruction in ELA, February 23, 2021, NWMS
- ix. Kim Moore, Tier 2 Instruction in ELA, February 23, 2021, NWMS

E. Consideration of Grants and Donations

School board member Terry Graber made, and Curt Flickinger seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 7-0

IV. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- A. Sitolagic Model for Long Range Planning and Construction – Dr. Croner
- B. Kindergarten Round-Up – Gretchen Thomas
- C. 2021-2022 Classified Manual – Randi Libby

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF THE WELLNESS SCREENING INCENTIVE

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the Wellness Screening Incentive as presented by Mrs. Libby. Vote: 7-0

VI. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

There were none.

(At this point in the meeting Shawn Johnson needed to leave.)

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Approval of the Elkhart County/WCS Emergency Health Services Cooperative Agreement

School board member Terry Graber made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the Elkhart County/WCS Emergency Health Services Cooperative Agreement as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 6-0

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL BOARD POLICY:

- o Policy 5111 – Determination of Legal Settlement in the School Corporation
- o Policy 5113 – Attendance of Non-Resident Student

School board member Curt Flickinger made a motion to revise Policy 5113 by striking the wording of Pick up/Drop off must occur at an existing bus stop. This motion failed due to a lack of a second.

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School board member Terry Graber made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the adoption of the school board policy revisions and updates as written and presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 6-0

**B. APPROVAL OF THE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL REQUEST FOR:**

- NWHS FFA Leadership Development, February 5-7, 2021 at Trafalgar, IN

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the overnight travel request as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 6-0

**C. APPROVAL OF THE QUARANTINE PERIOD REDUCTION**

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the Quarantine Period Reduction as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 6-0

**D. APPROVAL OF THE NWHS GYMNASIUM BLEACHER PURCHASE**

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve NWHS gymnasium bleacher purchase as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 6-0

**E. APPROVAL OF THE WELLFIELD PARK AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF NAPPANEE**

This item has been tabled until February 22, 2021 meeting and more information can be provided to the board.

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Christina Eshelman seconded the motion to table the approval of the Wellfield Park Agreement with the City of Nappanee. Vote: 6-0

**IX. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

- A. Enrollment Update – Dr. Croner
- B. HB 1005 and Vouchers in Indiana – Dr. Croner

Prior to the adjournment of the meeting Mr. Flickinger asked about the possibility of changes being made to spectator attendance at athletic events. Dr. Croner updated the Board on proposals submitted to the Elkhart County Health Department and their openness to review regulations. However, no official changes have been made and the current County Health Ordinances remain in effect.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come to the attention of the board school board member Don Lehman made and Terry Graber seconded the motion to adjourn. Vote: 6-0

SIGNED:

  
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Christina Eshelman, President

  
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Curt Flickinger, Secretary

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