

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
May 24, 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 V.

The Board of School Trustees of the Wa-Nee Community Schools met Tuesday morning, May 24, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. The meeting was called to order at the NWHS Auditorium 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:

Lou Bonacorsi Christina Eshelman Terry Graber Curt Flickinger Don Lehman

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

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the amendments to the agenda as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 5-0.

III. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Consideration of the regular board meeting on May 10, 2021 and executive session minutes for May 12, 2021

B. Consideration of the claims dated May 24, 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. Jessica Bickle, 7th Grade Math @ NWMS, effective pending completion of pre-employment screening

ii. Morgan Alexander, Agri Teacher @ NWMS, effective pending completion of pre-employment screening

2. Retirement/Resignation/End of Employment

i. David Wilson, Science Teacher @ NWHS, effective May 26, 2021

ii. David Wilson, Assistant Football & Track Coach @ NWHS, effective May 26, 2021

iii. A J Risedorph, Student Council @ NWHS, effective May 25, 2021

iv. Jerry Kaufman, F/T Custodial @ NWMS, effective April 13, 2021

v. Phil Lechlitner, Ind. Tech Teacher @ NWHS, effective end of school year 20-21

vi. Janelle Lowe, P/T Custodian @ NWHS, effective May 21, 2021

vii. Laura Hale, .5 Robotics Sponsor @ NES, effective June 2021

viii. Jared Hamsher, .5 Robotics Sponsor @ NES, effective May 26, 2021

ix. Jenny Shaw, School Counselor @ NWMS, effective end school year 20-21

x. Austin Falk, P/T Custodian @ NWHS, effective August 6, 2021

3. Transfer

i. Mark Heeter, from Math & Soc Studies Teacher @ NWMS to NWAA Teacher, effective August 2021

ii. A J Risedorph, from NWHS Social Studies Teacher to Dean of Athletics @ NWHS, effective July 1, 2021

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This meeting will be held at the Wa-Nee Administration Building.

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4. Leave of Absence

D. Consideration of Professional Leave Requests

E. Consideration of Grants and Donations

- i. \$500 donation from Eta Zeta Chapter to be used by the NWHS Band
- ii. \$100 donation from Eta Zeta Chapter to be used by the WES Art
- iii. \$250 donation from Beacon Medical Group to be used for the 2021 Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
- iv. \$1250 donation from Friends of Wakarusa Public Library to be used for NWMS Battle of the Books
- v. \$500 donation from Tri Kappa to be used for the SOAR Classroom @ NES
- vi. \$500 donation from Tri Kappa to be used by the NWHS Academic Teams
- vii. \$250 donation from Tri Kappa to be used by NWHS Bring Change to Mind
- viii. \$250 donation from Tri Kappa to be used for School Nurse supplies
- ix. \$1000 donation from Patrick Industries to be used for Volleyball Camp Shirts
- x. \$100 donation from Psi Iota Xi Sorority to be used by the WV Art

School board member Don Lehman made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items including the additional consent items as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 5-0

IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

- A. Mike Hertsel – Thanked the board for making the mask optional beginning June 1st and wants to encourage people to stand up and have a voice.
- B. Trevor Hershberger – Thanked the board for making mask optional beginning June 1st. Hopeful that the board will continue to make mask wearing for the next school year. Because mask wearing should always have been a choice.
- C. Tonya Cline – Thanked the board for the opportunities that Wa-Nee students and staff were able to have during the last school year that many schools in the area didn't have. Hopeful that mask will remain optional in 2021-22 because she feels like for some students at the middle school it has something they have used to hide behind, and it has taken their identity away from them.

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF THE CITY OF NAPPANEE OFFER TO PURCHASE PROPERTY FOR THE WOODVIEW DRIVE PROJECT

School board member Terry Graber made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the City of Nappanee offer to purchase property for the Woodview Drive Project as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 5-0

B. APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the Sale of Technology Equipment as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 5-0

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C. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING OVERNIGHT AND/OR OUT OF STATE TRAVEL
REQUESTS FOR:

- NWHS Football Team Camp, June 22-24, 2021, Trine University


School board member Don Lehman made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the overnight and/or out of state travel requests as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 5-0

VI. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- A. 2021 Budget Calendar - Randi Libby
- B. Financial Update – Randi Libby

There being no further business to come to the attention of the board school board member Curt Flickinger made and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to adjourn. Vote: 5-0

SIGNED:



Christina Eshelman, President



Curt Flickinger, Secretary