WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
April 28, 2025

A Standard of Excellence: Equipping students with the skills, knowledge, and moral character to positively impact the world.

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 III.

The Board of School Trustees of the Wa-Nee Community Schools met Monday evening, April 28, 2025.

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 Trevor Hershberger the following members responded as present:

Christina Eshelman	Curt Flickinger	Trevor Hershberger
David Kauffman	Don Lehman	John Payne

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

II. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

III. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

There were none.

IV. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and David Kauffman seconded the motion to approve the additional items to the agenda as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 6-0

V. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Consideration of the regular board minutes for April 14, 2025
B. Consideration of the claims dated April 28, 2025
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)

2. Resign/Retire/End of Employment
i. Amanda Flickinger, Sub Custodian, effective April 15, 2025
ii. Karen Kiefer, Part Time Custodian @ WV, effective May 28, 2025
iii. Eric Criss, Band Teacher @ NWHS, effective May 29, 2025
iv. Jada Dingeldein, P/T Nurse @ WES, effective May 29, 2025
v. Terrie Mullet, 8th Grade Volleyball Coach @ NWMS, effective April 23, 2025
vi. Carla Wisler, Choir Teacher @ NWMS, effective May 29, 2024

3. Transfer
i. Brenda Beehler, from 6th Special Ed Teacher to 6th Science Teacher @ NWMS, effective August 13, 2025
ii. Dale Schertz, from Bus Driver to Sub Driver, effective May 29, 2025
iii. Amy Miller, Special Ed Ass't to Principal Secretary @ WV, effective July 2025
iv. Garrett Stuckman from Ass't Boys Wrestling Coach to Head Boys Wrestling Coach @ NWHS, effective April 28, 2025

D. Consideration of Professional Leave Requests
i. Lindsey Steffen, TBRI Summit, May 2, 2025, Elkhart
ii. Aaron Wolfe, IBCA Coaching Clinic, April 24-25, 2025, Mt. Vernon High School
iii. Kristin Cramer, 5th Grade Olympics, May 13, 2025, NWMS

iv. Brittany Harrington, Dual Credit English Essay Day, May 6, 2025, NWHS Media Center
v. Brooklyn Freeland, FCCLA Fall Leadership Institute, October 22-25, 2025, Anaheim, CA
vi. Mindi Slone, Professional Grading Day for IU ACPW 131, May 1, 2025, NWHS Conference Room

E. Consideration of Grants and Donations
i. $500 donation from Billie Roeder to be used for NWHS Teacher Appreciation Week
ii. $2,305.18 donation from the Elkhart Co Beef Club to be used by NorthWood FFA
iii. Anonymous donation of misc. items and snacks valued at $150
iv. Nappanee Missionary Church donation of non-perishable food items valued at $30
v. $100 donation from Jim & Marsha Hess to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
vi. $100 donation from Tom & Nancy Roeder to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
vii. $100 donation from Egbert & Julie Dijkstra to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
viii. $50 donation from Jay & Angie Olson to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
ix. $50 donation from Ron & Gloria Howard to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
x. $50 donation from Wayne & Sandi Scheumann to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
xi. $50 donation from Larry & Linda Thompson & Family to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
xii. $50 donation from Dale & Dee Tobais to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
xiii. $50 donation from Sam & Brenna Sheets to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
xiv. $20 donation from Linda Mansfield to be used by NWHS Athletic Sports Medicine
xv. $500 donation from Tri Kappa to be used for NWHS Academic Team
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xvii. $125 donation from Wakarusa Chamber of Commerce to be used by NWHS Choirs

School board member Trevor Hershberger made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items and additional items as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 6-0

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consider approving the out of state and/or overnight travel request for:
- NWHS FFA to Benton Central High School, June 16-19, 2025
- NWHS Boys Basketball to Wisconsin Just A Game, June 16-18, 2025, Wisconsin Dells, WI
- NWHS Boys Basketball to Boys Basketball Shoot Out, June 20-21, 2025, Carmel, IN
- NWHS Boys Cross Country, Warren Dunes State Park, July 7, 2025, Bridgeman, MI

School board member Curt Flickinger and David Kauffman seconded the motion to approve the out of state and/or overnight travel request as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 6-0

VII. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

i. NWHS Science and new ELA Courses – Gretchen Thomas
ii. 2026-2029 School Calendars – Scot Croner
    a. E-Learning for 2025-2029
iii. Financial Update – Jessica McFarland

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

SIGNED: _____
Christina Eshelman, President

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Trevor Hershberger, Secretary