

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
November 11, 2024

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 III.

The Board of School Trustees of the Wa-Nee Community Schools met Monday, November 11, 2024, 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 Board Member Don Lehman the following members responded as present:

Christina Eshelman	Curt Flickinger	Trevor Hershberger
Shawn Johnson	Don Lehman	Todd Gongwer

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

II. SPECIAL BOARD RECOGNITION

There was none.

III. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

IV. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

V. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Consideration of the regular board meeting minutes for October 28, 2024.

B. Consideration of the claims dated November 11, 2024

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. James Cook, F/T Custodian @ NWMS, effective TBD
 - ii. Scott Knafel, Athletic Director @ NWMS, effective November 4, 2024
 - iii. Tom Myers, Sub Bus Driver, effective TBD
 - iv. Jake Lone, Freshman Girls Wrestling Coach @ NWHS, effective TBD
 - v. Rod Lone, Head Girls Wrestling Coach @ NWHS, effective November 8, 2024
 - vi. Anthony Braden, P/T Custodian @ WES, effective TBD
 - vii. Megan Wiseman, Substitute Custodian, effective TBD

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- viii. Garry Anglemeyer, Maintenance Technician, effective TBD
- ix. Mindi Slone, Senior Class Sponsor @ NWHS, effective November 4, 2024

2.Resignation/Retirement/End of Employment

- i. Evan Prast, Senior Class Sponsor B, effective December 20, 2024
- ii. Ryan Stamper, Desktop Support, effective November 4, 2024
- iii. Servando Duran, Unified Flag Football Coach, effective November 4, 2024
- iv. Christal Edwards, P/T Custodian @ NWMS, effective November 11, 2024
- v. Wendy Briscoe, Title I Ass't @ NES, effective November 30, 2024

3.Transfer

- i. Faruq Ghaffar, from Frosh Girls Wrestling to Volunteer Coach @ NWHS, effective 10/17/24
- ii. Cory Suiter, from .5 Wrestling Coach @ NWMS to Volunteer Coach, effective 9/23/24
- iii. Kayla Kemp, from Special Ed Asst to 1:1 Special Ed Ass't @ WV, effective TBD

D.Consideration of Professional Leave Requests

- i. Jessica McFarland, IASBO Finance Seminar, December 5, 2024, Indianapolis
- ii. Tori Saucedo, Christmas Concert Rehearsal, December 2, 2024, NWHS
- iii. Grace Allen, IAAE Winter Workshop, January 15-16, 2025, Indiana FFA Leadership Center
- iv. Brandi Henderson, IAAE Winter Workshop, January 15-16, 2025, Indiana FFA Leadership Center

E.Consideration of Grants and Donations

- i. \$250 donation from Indiana Transport to be used for NWHS Academic Team
- ii. \$100 donation from Newcomer Towing & Service to be used for NWHS Academic Team
- iii. \$200 donation from Subway of Wakarusa to be used for NWHS Academic Team
- iv. \$100 donation from Topping Dental to be used for NWHS Academic Team
- v. \$100 donation from Schwartz Electric to be used for NWHS Academic Team
- vi. \$1,000 grant from Nat'l Society of High School Scholars to be used by NWHS NSHSS Class Supplies
- vii. \$50 donation from Linda Thompson to be used by NWHS Baseball
- viii. \$50 donation from Lamar & Marvene Pippenger to be used by NWHS Baseball
- ix. \$50 donation from Steve & Barb Cook to be used by NWHS Baseball
- x. \$100 donation from Scott & Kara Ransberger to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xi. \$25 donation from Rex & Carrie Hochstetler to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xii. \$60 donation from Dan & Peggy Bearss to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xiii. \$50 donation from Terry Swihart to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xiv. \$500 donation from Scott & Kim Welch to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xv. \$50 donation from Carol Grimm to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xvi. \$30 donation from Larry & Judy Korbike to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xvii. \$40 donation from Kelly Shoemaker to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xviii. \$100 donation from Bob & Laura Zell to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xix. \$25 donation from Mel & Jill Shields to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xx. \$30 donation from Troy & Tif Schwartz to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xxi. \$100 donation from Darren & Lisa Minnich to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xxii. \$100 donation from Randy & Linda Bogan to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xxiii. \$100 donation from Bonnita Best to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xxiv. \$100 donation from Heritage Parke Title LLC to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xxv. \$300 donation from Heritage Farms Property & Condo Owner Assoc. to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xxvi. \$50 donation from Tim & Lisa Rink to be used by NWHS Baseball
- xxvii. \$500 donation from Sylvia Benjamin to be used by NWHS Girls Wrestling

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- xxviii. \$80,000 grant from NorthWood Football Club to be used for Andrews Field Fencing Project
- xxix. \$100 donation from Animal Aid Clinic South to be used by NWHS Academic Teams
- xxx. \$500 donation from DH Machine Inc to be used by NWHS Academic Teams
- xxxi. \$100 donation from Geny-Y Group to be used by NWHS Academic Teams
- xxxii. \$100 donation from HH Coffee Co to be used by NWHS Athletic Department
- xxxiii. \$160 donation from Robert Pletcher Memorial Service to be used by NorthWood FFA
- xxxiv. \$200 donation from Indiana Cornhusking Association to be used by NorthWood FFA
- xxxv. \$100 donation from Hochstetler Grain Equipment, Inc to be used by NorthWood FFA
- xxxvi. \$500 donation from Trine University to be used for NWHS student/teacher needs for Trine courses
- xxxvii. \$600 donation from Kiwanis Club of Nappanee to be used by the NWHS Red Regiment
- xxxviii. \$100 donation from Martin Brothers Contracting to be used by the NWHS Academic Team

School board member Don Lehman made, and Curt Flickinger seconded the motion to approve the consent items including the amendment items as presented by Mrs. Christina Eshelman. Vote: 5-0

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL TO PAY THE END OF MONTH BILLS FOR DECEMBER 2024

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Todd Gongwer seconded the motion to approve the payment of the end of month bills for December 2024 as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 5-0

B. APPROVAL OF OUT OF STATE AND/OR OVERNIGHT TRAVEL

- NWHS Cheer to State Cheerleading Contest, November 8-9, 2024, New Castle, IN

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

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no more items to come to the attention of the board, school board member Curt Flickinger made, and Don Lehman supported the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Vote: 5-0

SIGNED:

CHRISTINA ESHELMAN, President

TREVOR HERSHBERGER, Secretary