

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
November 23, 2020

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, November 23, 2020.

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

On roll call by Secretary Terry Graber the following members responded as present:

Lou Bonacorsi, Curt Flickinger, Todd Gongwer, Shawn Johnson, Terry Graber, Don Lehman Superintendent Scot Croner, Director of Curriculum Gretchen Thomas, and Business Manager Randi Libby, and Lisa Hall were also present.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the amendments to the agenda as presented by Mr. Lehman. Vote: 6-0

III. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meetings of November 9, 2020
- B. Consideration of Claims dated November 23, 2020
- 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. Chris Diener, Interpreter All Buildings, effective TBD
 - 2. **Retirement/Resignation/End of Employment**
 - i. Tyler Thornton, P/T Custodian @ NWHS, effective November 20, 2020
 - ii. Corey Duncan, Freshman Girls Basketball @ NWHS, effective November 15, 2020
 - iii. Julie Mast, Substitute Bus Driver, effective November 19, 2020
 - 3. **Leave of Absence**
 - i. Sherri Ellis, Special Ed Teacher @ NWMS, effective September 25 – November 18, 2020
 - ii. Tom Bennett, Science Teacher @ NWMS, effective December 1, 2020 – January 4, 2020
- D. Consideration of Grants and Donations
 - i. \$500 donation from Tom & Nancy Roeder in memory of Gale Sayers to NWHS Captains Club
 - ii. \$500 donation from Kevin & Heather Roberts to be used by the NWHS Baseball team
 - iii. \$500 donation from City of Nappanee to be used by Wa-Nee Robotics
 - iv. \$250 donation from Brown & Brown General Contractors to be used by Wa-Nee Robotics
 - v. \$750 donation from Reliance to be used by Wa-Nee Robotics
 - vi. \$100 donation from Monteith's Best-One to be used by Wa-Nee Robotics
 - vii. \$500 donation from Schwartz Electric Inc to be used by Wa-Nee Robotics
 - viii. \$19,286 donation from AWS Foundation to be used for Whirl & Cloud 9 playground equipment
 - ix. \$250 donation from Forte & Tuttle Tax Accounting to be used by NWMS Robotics
 - x. \$250 donation from S & S Essentials Inc to be used by NWMS Robotics
 - xi. \$500 donation from Pro IT Solutions to be used by NWMS Robotics
 - xii. \$57 donation from Spencer Culp to be used by NWHS Staff Meal

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the consent items plus the amended additional consent items as presented by Mr. Lehman. Vote: 6-0.

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V. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

IV. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- i. Wa-Nee Christmas Card Winner – Rachel Roberts 10th Grade student at NorthWood High School

Christina Eshelman entered the meeting at this point.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF THE DEPOSITORY ACCOUNT THROUGH LAKE CITY BANK

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Christina Eshelman seconded the motion to approve the Depository Account through Lake City Bank as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 7-0

B. APPROVAL OF THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH CLINIC & PROVIDER BEACON HEALTH SYSTEMS

School board member Terry Graber made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the employee health clinic and provider Beacon Health Systems as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 6-0-1


C. APPROVAL OF THE TEACHER APPRECIATION GRANT (TAG) AMOUNTS

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Christina Eshelman seconded the motion to approve the Teacher Appreciation Grant amounts as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 7-0

D. APPROVAL OF THE SUPPORT STAFF APPRECIATION STIPEND TO INCLUDE THE SUPERINTENDENT

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the Support Staff Appreciation Stipend and amended to include the Superintendent by Lou Bonacorsi present by Dr. Croner. Vote: 7-0

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

SIGNED: 

Don Lehman, President

Terry Graber, Secretary