

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

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 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 Terry Graber the following members responded as present:

Christina Eshelman	Curt Flickinger	
Terry Graber	Shawn Johnson	Don Lehman

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

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the additions to the agendas presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 5-0

III. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meetings of October 25, 2021
- B. Consideration of Claims dated November 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 Bedward, Temp. 3rd Grade Teacher @ WES, effective January 3, 2022
 - 2. **Retirement/Resignation/End of Employment**
 - i. Jared Hamsher, Desktop Support Technician, effective November 12, 2021
 - ii. Emily Molden, Varsity Ass't Softball @ NWHS, effective November 2, 2021
 - iii. Jenni Jesse, P/T Foodservice @ WV, effective November 23, 2021
 - 3. **Termination**
 - i. Sonya Doolan, F/T Custodian @ NWHS, effective October 29, 2021
 - 4. **Leave of Absence**
 - i. Kindra Garey, First Grade Teacher @ WDV, February 25 to May 2, 2022

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D. Consideration of Professional Leave Requests

- i. Morgan Alexander, National FFA Convention, October 28, 2021, Indianapolis
- ii. Rod Lone, IHSWCA, October 21-22, 2021, Indianapolis
- iii. Mandy DeMien, Facility Planning Meeting, November 5, 2021, Admin Office
- iv. Sherrie Mullet, IASBO Annual Conference, November 17-19, 2021, Ft. Wayne
- v. Crystal Manning, IASBO Annual Conference, November 17-19, 2021, Ft. Wayne
- vi. Carlea Bragg, IASBO Annual Conference, November 17-19, 2021, Ft. Wayne
- vii. Randi Libby, IASBO Annual Conference, November 17-19, 2021, Ft. Wayne

E. Consideration of Grants and Donations:

- i. \$200,000 donation from George Thomas to be used for the NWHS Field of Dreams Project
- ii. \$10,000 donation from Doug & Lisa Gaeddert to be used for the NWHS Field of Dreams Project
- iii. \$50 donation from the Bodach Family to be used by NWMS Student Council
- iv. \$50 donation from the Helmuth Family to be used by NWMS Student Council
- v. \$50 donation from the Branham Family to be used by NWMS Student Council
- vi. \$100 donation from Colbin Tool Co. to be used by NMWS Robotic
- vii. \$100 donation from DJ Construction to be used by Nappanee Robotic
- viii. \$100 donation from Schisler Trucking to be used by Nappanee Robotic
- ix. \$500 donation from Personnel Partners to be used by Wakarusa Robotic
- x. \$750 donation from A/Ccelerated Service to be used for Wa-Nee Robotic
- xi. \$500 donation from Goshen Health to be used for Wa-Nee Robotic
- xii. \$750 donation from UFP Nappanee to be used for Wa-Nee Robotic
- xiii. \$250 donation from First Federal Savings Bank to be used by NWMS Robotic
- xiv. \$300 donation from R & B Investments to be used by NWHS Boys Basketball
- xv. \$1000 donation from Thompson Lengacher & Yoder to be used by the NWHS Red Regiment
- xvi. \$1000 donation from Goshen Physicians to be used by the WES Robotics
- xvii. \$750 donation from Auto Park Ford of Bremen to be used by the NWHS Red Regiment

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

IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approval of the 2021-2023 the Contractual Agreement Between the Board of School Trustees of Wa-Nee Community Schools and the Wa-Nee Education Association.

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the 2021-2023 the Contractual Agreement Between the Board of School Trustees of Wa-Nee Community Schools and the Wa-Nee Education Association as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 5-0

- B. Approval to pay the end of month bills for December 2021.

School board member Don Lehman made, and Shawn Johnson seconded the motion to approve the payment of the end of month bills for December 2021 as presented by Mrs. Libby. Vote: 5-0

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C. Approval of an online auction

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Curt Flickinger seconded the motion to approve the online auction as presented by Mrs. Libby. Vote: 5-0

D. Approval of the updated Classified Manual (new position – School Apprentice)

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the updated Classified Manual (new position – School Apprentice) as presented by Mrs. Libby. Vote: 5-0

E. Updated Amendment to Agreement with City of Nappanee for the Wellfield Park/Soccer Complex

This item was tabled and will be brought back to the November 22, 2021 for approval.

F. Approval of the appointment of Daniel Gay to the Wakarusa Public Library Board

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Terry Graber seconded the motion to approve the appointment of Daniel Gay to the Wakarusa Public Library Board as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 5-0

G. Approval of out of state and/or overnight travel

- Ski & Snowboard Club to Swiss Valley, Timber Ridge, and Bittersweet Ski Resorts in Michigan beginning December 2021 (dates will vary depending on weather conditions)

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

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Elkhart Area Career Center – Brandon Eakins
- B. Bring Change 2 Mind – Becky Tice
- C. Board Policy Updates
 - Policy 6220 Budget Preparation
 - Policy 6221 Rainy Day Fund
 - Policy 5110 Student Residence Verification
- D. Health Insurance Renewal Update – Randi Libby

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

CURT FLICKINGER, Secretary