

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
December 21, 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, December 21, 2020.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at the Wa-Nee Admin. Office at 6:00 PM by School Board President Don Lehman.

2. ROLL CALL

On roll call by Scot Croner, the following members responded as present:

Don Lehman	Lou Bonacorsi	Christina Eshelman
Curt Flickinger	Todd Gongwer	

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

3. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

4. CONSENT ITEMS

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items with the addition of the consent items as presented by Mr. Lehman. Vote: 5-0

A. Consideration of the regular board minutes for November 23, 2020

B. Consideration of the claims dated December 21, 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. Taylor Grubbs, P/T Special Ed Assistant @ WES, effective TBD
- ii. Rachel Salisbury, Temp. Special Ed Teacher @ NWHS, effective January 4 thru May 25, 2021
- iii. Marcy Porter, Senior Class Sponsor B @ NWHS, effective TBD
- iv. Audrey Duncan, .5 Freshman Girls Basketball Coach, effective Winter 2020
- v. Katelyn Sheets, Substitute Nurse, effective TBD
- vi. Jeremy Miller, 7th Grade Boys Ass't Basketball Coach @ NWMS, effective October 2020
- vii. Kathy Hershberger, Academic Coach Fine Arts @ NWHS, effective August 2020
- viii. Val Anglemyer, NWMS Instructional Coach, effective August 17, 2020
- ix. Ashley Ramirez, .5 Freshman Girls Basketball Coach @ NWHS, effective Winter 2020
- x. Drake Yoder, P/T Custodian @ NWMS, effective January 4, 2021

2. **Retirement/Resignation/End of Employment**

- i. Herlinda Jennings, ESL Assistant @ WES, effective November 6, 2020
- ii. Beth Jenkins, .5 Robotics Coach @ WES, effective Spring

3. **Transfer**

- i. Rhonda Bellman, from P/T custodian @ WV to F/T Custodian @ NWHS, effective Jan. 4, 2021

4. **Leave of Absence**

- i. Brittany Harrington, English Teacher @ NWHS, effective April 1 thru May 25, 2021

D. **Consideration of Professional Leave Requests**

- i. Amy Beer, Agriculture Teacher Winter PD, January 14, 2021, Virtual Conference

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E. **Consideration of Grants and Donations**

- i. \$50 donation from Steve & Honey Walters to be used by the NWHS Jr. Prom
- ii. \$400 donation from the American Legion Post 307 to WES for needy families
- iii. \$100 donation from Ardythe Sayers to the NWHS Captain Club in memory of Gale Sayers
- iv. \$250 donation from Kiwanis Club of Nappanee to NES Robotics
- v. \$250 donation from Kiwanis Club of Nappanee to WES Robotics
- vi. \$1,300 anonymous donation for NWMS families in need
- vii. \$1,031 donation from Heather Roeder to be used by NWMS Drama Club
- viii. \$10,000 donation from Tuttle Family Foundation to be used for staff thank you gifts
- ix. \$100 donation from Marita Roemke to the Diane Brown Memorial Fund
- x. \$500 donation from Goshen Health to the Wa-Nee Robotics
- xi. \$250 donation from Dr. Weldy's Assoc Inc. to the Wa-Nee Robotics
- xii. \$500 donation from Solar Energy Systems LLC to the Wa-Nee Robotics
- xiii. \$250 donation from S & S Automotive to the Wa-Nee Robotics
- xiv. \$1,000 donation from Henschen Oil Inc to the Wa-Nee Robotics
- xv. \$250 donation from Nappanee Family Eyecare to the Wa-Nee Robotics
- xvi. \$50 donation from G M A Inc. to the Wa-Nee Robotics
- xvii. \$1,320 grant from CASE/Corteva to be used to purchase NWHS Ag Dept. supplies

5. **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT**

There were none.

6. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. **APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW HOSTETTER TO THE WAKARUSA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the Appointment of Mr. Andrew Hostetter to the Wakarusa Public Library Board as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote: 5-0

B. **APPROVAL OF THE OUT OF THE BUS BIDS**

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Todd Gongwer seconded the motion to approve the purchase of three (3) conventional propane buses and one (1) Head Start gas bus as presented by Mrs. Rosa. Vote: 5-0

C. **APPROVAL OF THE CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE WORKERS AND QUARANTINE PERIOD**

School board member Christina Eshelman made, and Lou Bonacorsi seconded the motion to approve the Critical Infrastructure Workers and Quarantine Period as presented by Dr. Croner. Vote 5-0

7. **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

- A. Textbook Process Update – Gretchen McEndarfer
- B. Christmas Break – December 19, 2020 thru January 3, 2021

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

SIGNED:

Board President



Board Secretary