

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Elkhart-Kosciusko Counties, Indiana
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
April 10, 2023

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 evening, April 10, 2023.

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 Shawn Johnson the following members responded as present:

Christina Eshelman
Shawn Johnson

Curt Flickinger
Brian Topping

Trevor Hershberger

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

II. SPECIAL BOARD RECOGNITION

There was none.

III. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC INPUT

The NWHS FFA Officer's shared with the Board updates on the chapter's numerous awards and recent fundraising activities.

IV. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

School board member Shawn Johnson made, and Trevor Hershberger seconded the motion to approve the additional items to the agenda as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 5-0

V. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Consideration of the regular board meeting and executive session minutes for March 27, 2023.
- B. Consideration of the claims dated April 10, 2023
- 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. Eric Criss, Summer Band @ NWHS, effective TBD
 - ii. Grace Allen, Summer Ag (SAE) @ NWHS, effective TBD
 - iii. Brandi Henderson, Summer Ag (SAE) @ NWHS, effective TBD
 - iv. MaKellee Doty, P/T Custodian @ NWMS, effective TBD
 - v. Sharon Yoder, Substitute Bus Driver, effective TBD
 - vi. Gary Robinson, Ass't JV Baseball Coach @ NWHS, effective March 28, 2023
 - 2. Resign/Retire/End of Employment
 - i. Brant Nine, Girls Basketball Feeder Coordinator, effective March 30, 2023
 - ii. Tricia Ulrey, 5th Grade Teacher @ WES, effective May 26, 2023

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Wa-Nee School Board will be Monday, April 24, 2023, at 6:00 PM
This meeting will be held at Wakarusa Elementary School, 400 N. Washington Street, Wakarusa, IN 46573.

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3. Termination

- i. Robin Luedeke, P/T Custodian @ NWMS, effective April 10, 2023

D. Consideration of Professional Leave Requests

- i. Amy Rosa, STAI Conference, June 25-29, 2023, Westfield
- ii. Matt Hostetter, STAI Conference, June 25-29, 2023, Westfield
- iii. Tori Saucedo, NWMS Aladdin Production, March 16, 2023, NWMS
- iv. Katie Ewers, Smekens Comprehension Conference, July 18-19, 2023, Virtual
- v. Valarie Mathews, Robotics World Championship, April 30 – May 2, 2023, Dallas, TX
- vi. Patrick Gross, Robotics World Championship, May 2 - 4, 2023, Dallas, TX
- vii. Matt Protzmans, Robotics World Championship, April 30 – May 2, 2023, Dallas, TX
- viii. Brian Freeland, Robotics World Championship, April 29 – May 5, 2023, Dallas, TX
- ix. Susan Roberts, Kiwanis Kid Program, March 28, 2023, Elkhart
- x. Jessica Eubank, Fast & Focus Feedback on Major Memoir, April 13, 2023, NWHS
- xi. Robin Bilinski, Fast & Focus Feedback on Major Memoir, April 13, 2023, NWHS
- xii. Lisa Craven, UNITE Technology Meeting, April 10, 2023, Noblesville
- xiii. Brandy Hahn, Kdg Assessments, April 25 & May 11, 2023, Woodview
- xiv. Jessica Gibson, Kdg Assessments, April 25 & May 11, 2023, Woodview
- xv. Jill Juday, Kdg Assessments, April 25 & May 11, 2023, Woodview
- xvi. Mary Clark, Kdg Assessments, April 25 & May 11, 2023, Woodview
- xvii. Mindi Sloan, IU Dual Credit, May 8, 2023, New Albany
- xviii. Steven Gearhart, Robotics World Championship, April 29 – May 1, 2023, Dallas, TX
- xix. Kenton Chapman, Robotics World Championship, April 29 – May 1, 2023, Dallas, TX

E. Consideration of Grants and Donations

- i. \$100 donation from Lawrence & Sandra Bressler to be used by NWHS Boys & Girls Golf
- ii. \$100 donation from Karen Berger to be used by NWHS Baseball
- iii. \$75 donation from Kerry & Paula Sullivan to be used by NWHS Baseball
- iv. \$100 donation from Tom Bradway to be used by NWHS Baseball
- v. \$40 donation from John & Barb Kindig to be used by NWHS Baseball
- vi. \$35 donation from NWHS Class of 1971 to be used by NWHS Baseball
- vii. \$75 donation from Elmer & Cindy Philhower to be used by NWHS Baseball
- viii. \$50 donation from Bill & Rita Leeper to be used by NWHS Baseball
- ix. \$100 donation from the Hahn Family to be used by NWHS Baseball
- x. \$50 donation from Carol Grimm to be used by NWHS Baseball

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

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consider approving the proposal for Woodview & Wakarusa School Window Replacements

School board member Shawn Johnson, and Trevor Hershberger seconded the motion to approve the proposal for Woodview & Wakarusa School Window Replacements as presented by Mrs. Libby. Vote: 5-0

B. Consider approving the out of state and/or overnight travel request for:

- NWHS Choirs to the Broadway Musical Aladdin, May 20, 2023, Chicago
- NWMS Robotics Team, Robotics World Championship, April 30 to May 2, 2023, Dallas, TX
- WES Robotics Teams, Robotics World Championship, May 1 to May 5, 2023, Dallas, TX

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

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VII. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- i. Curriculum & Instruction Update – Gretchen Thomas
School Board member Shawn Johnson left at this point in the meeting.
- ii. Financial Update – Randi Libby

There being no further business to come to the attention of the board school board member Curt Flickinger made, and Trevor Hershberger seconded the motion to adjourn. Vote: 4-0

SIGNED: _____
Christina Eshelman, President

Shawn C. Johnson, Secretary