

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
ELKHART-KOSCIUSKO COUNTIES, INDIANA
PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

June 26, 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, June 26, 2023, in their second meeting of the month with an Exec. Session immediately following this meeting.

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 Vice-President Curt Flickinger the following members responded as present:

Christina Eshelman
Don Lehman

Curt Flickinger
Brian Topping

Trevor Hershberger

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

II. SPECIAL BOARD RECOGNITION

- i. NWHS Boys Basketball Team

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 amendments to the agenda as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 5-0.

V. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Consideration of the regular board and executive session minutes for June 12, 2023
- B. Consideration of the claims dated June 26, 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. Drew Minnich, Science Teacher @ NWHS, effective August 2023
 - ii. Jessica Nagle, Vice Principal Secretary @ NWHS, effective TBD
 - iii. Holly Worthman, FACS/Agriculture Dept. Chair @ NWHS, effective August 2023
 - iv. Heather Bechtel, 3rd Grade Teacher @ WES, effective August 2023
 - v. Brooke Hess, Temp 3rd Grade Teacher @ WES, effective October 2023
 - vi. Ryne Robinson, JV Girls Basketball Coach @ NWHS, effective May 22, 2023
 - vii. Kenedy Gongwer, 1st Grade Teacher @ WES, effective August 2023

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2. Retirement/Resignation/End of Employment

- i. Jaclyn Pateros, Speech Language Pathologist @ NES, effective June 14, 2023
- ii. Rachel Rowe, Key Club Sponsor @ NWHS, effective May 26, 2023

3. Transfer

- i. Bobbi Croner, from Special Ed Ass't to Substitute, effective June 15, 2023
- ii. Emily Moyer, Summer Custodian to Substitute Custodian, effective June 19, 2023
- iii. Amanda Jenkins, from Instructional Ass't @ WV to Kdg Teacher @ WES, effective August 2023
- iv. Jon Yoder, from .5 Robotics Coach to Volunteer Robotics @ WES, effective June 21, 2023
- v. Preston Edwards, from .5 Robotics Coach to Volunteer Robotics @ WES, effective June 21, 2023

D. Consideration of Professional Leave Requests

- i. Lindsay London, TBRI Practitioner Training, August 7-11, 2023, Grand Rapids, MI
- ii. Lisa Hall, Benefits Issuance Training, August 2, 2023, West Noble Administration Office
- iii. Chris Berg, TBRI Practitioners Training, October 16-20, 2023, Chicago, IL
- iv. Kyle Sears, TBRI Practitioners Training, October 16-20, 2023, Chicago, IL
- v. John Payne, TBRI Practitioners Training, August 6-11, 2023, Chicago, IL
- vi. Jake Everett, New Special Ed Director Training, July 13, 2023, Avon, IN

E. Consideration of the updated Claims

School board member Don Lehman made, and Trevor Hershberger seconded the motion to approve the amendments to the Consent Items including the additional consent items as presented by Mrs. Eshelman. Vote: 4-0-1 with Curt Flickinger abstaining from the vote due to a family relationship with Drew Minnich.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEMS

There were none

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of the Public Employee's Bond renewal

School board member Curt Flickinger made, and Don Lehman seconded the motion to approve the Public Employee's Bond renewal as presented by Mrs. Libby. Vote: 5-0

B. Approval of the updates to the Classified Manual.

School board member Trevor Hershberger made, and Curt Flickinger seconded the motion to approve the Classified Manual as presented by Mrs. Libby. Vote: 5-0

C. Approval of the out of state or overnight travel requests for:

- NWHS Competition Cheer to UCA Cheer Camp @ IU Bloomington, July 10-13, 2023
- NWHS Competition Cheer to UCA Cheer Nationals @ Orlando, FL, February 7-13, 2023

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

VI. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

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- A. Construction Update
- B. Policy 3001 – 3003 Discussions
- C. Policy 9130 – Public Complaints and Concerns – Scot Croner
- D. Financial Update – Randi Libby
- E. Policy 3220.01 – Teacher Appreciation Grants – Scot Croner
- F. Updated language to Student Athletic Handbook – Scot Croner

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. There being no further business to come to the attention of the board, board member Don Lehman made, and Curt Flickinger seconded the motion to adjourn. Vote: 5-0

SIGNED:

Christina Eshelman, President

Shawn C. Johnson, Secretary

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