

REGULAR SESSION

January 23, 2017

The North Wamac Grade School District #186 Board of Education meet in Regular Session on Monday, January 23, 2017 at 7:13 p.m. in the Conference Room located at 1500 Case Street, Centralia, Illinois.

AGENDA ITEM #1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL

1.1 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting (7:13 p.m.) - President Norman Faulkner called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. with Laurie Holmes, Ashley Calvert, William Sloat, and Cathy Faulkner present. Jennifer Todd and Pam McKay were absent.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

2.1 Review and Approve Minutes – A motion was made by Laurie Holmes and seconded by Cathy Faulkner to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2016, meeting. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

2.2 Financial Report

2.2.1 Treasurer's Report – A motion was made by William Sloat and seconded by Laurie Holmes to approve the December 2016 Treasurer's Report. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

2.2.2 Review and Approve Bills - A motion was made by Laurie Holmes and seconded by William Sloat to approve the bills for payment. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #3 – OLD BUSINESS

3.1 PARCC Incentive Program – At the second quarter awards assembly conducted on Friday, January 6, 2017, North Wamac Grade School recognized all students who met or exceeded state standards in their content areas on the spring 2016 PARCC test by rewarding them with \$10 per area. As a result of last year's scores, a total of \$280 was distributed to students in grades 4-8. The monetary rewards seem to be very advantageous in motivating the students to do their best again on this year's PARCC test, which is the successor to the ISAT test.

3.2 PRESS Policies - 2nd Reading – PRESS Policy Services has recommended several policy changes. We will have the second reading of those policies at tonight's school board meeting, and we will need to adopt those policies at the conclusion of the meeting.

3.3 Basketball Team Record/Regional Seed – The North Wamac/Irvington Indian Eagles varsity basketball team has struggled a bit this year, but they have been very competitive. Their record currently stands at 9-16. The junior varsity team has had a relatively good season, and their record is currently 9-4. North Wamac obtained the 6th seed in the regional tournament, which begins on Tuesday, January 24, 2017. Our game time is 6:00 p.m. versus Rome Grade School. The game will be played at the new Mt. Vernon High School.

3.4 FY17 School Calendar – Due to the emergency day that was taken because of the inclement weather on Friday, January 13, 2017, Mr. Morris has amended the school calendar to reflect said change. Consequently, as of now, North Wamac’s last day of school attendance will be Wednesday, May 24, 2017. The date for the 8th grade graduation ceremony will be set at the February school board meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Tri-County Institute – The annual Tri-County Institute will take place at Centralia High School from 8:10 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on Friday, February 17, 2017. The format this year will be the same as last year, as there will not be a morning keynote speaker. The first session begins at 8:10 a.m., and the last session will conclude at 2:00 p.m. There will be a total of six sessions offered to teachers and administrators throughout the course of the day.

4.2 Volleyball Schedule – The volleyball season is almost upon us, and the first game of the season will be played at North Wamac Grade School on Monday, January 23, 2017, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Jayne has approximately 21 girls on the team this season. She is quite optimistic about the team’s ability to compete. A complete volleyball schedule is included in the school board packets.

4.3 FY18 School Calendar – The area feeder school superintendents and Mr. Morris will be meeting at the Tri-County Institute on Friday, February 17, 2017, in order to begin planning the 2017-2018 school calendar.

4.4 February School Board Meeting Date Change – Due to Presidents’ Day conflicting with the February school board meeting date, it is Mr. Morris’s recommendation that we change it to Wednesday, February 22, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. A vote to approve this change will be taken at the conclusion of the meeting.

4.5 HVAC Replacement – North Wamac School has two HVAC-related problems in the building. The first problem is with the heating unit for Mrs. Rudolph and Mrs. Holtkamp’s classrooms. The unit is non-working, and the classrooms have been without heat. C & K Heating and Cooling, Inc., who was the contractor that completed the gymnasium work, is going to be installing a new unit on Wednesday, January 25, 2017. The total cost of the new unit is going to be approximately \$7,900. The second problem is with the A/C unit that cools Mrs. Neudecker, Mrs. Squibb, and Ms. Woods’ classrooms. The unit went out quite some time ago, but seeing how it was right before the cooler fall temperatures began, this was not a priority item for repair. The cost for two new compressor units will be approximately \$6,000. Mr. Morris recommends that we have this repair completed by McDonnough Heating & Air.

4.6 ELA Curriculum Adoption – The faculty has been reviewing sample ELA curriculum for quite a while in order to determine the best curriculum to fit our needs. After careful review, it has been decided that the McGraw-Hill Wonders’ curriculum will be the most beneficial in guiding students through literacy thresholds and leading them to mastery of the Common Core State Standards and to become successful in college and the workforce. The series we plan to adopt is for 1st – 6th grades and will be implemented during the 2017-2018

school year. The total cost of the series will be approximately \$12,000, which will be expended through the Title I grant.

4.5 Teacher's Rep (Brian Deadmond) – Brian Deadmond informed the Board that North Wamac School received two grants: one related to P.E. and the other for a field trip. The first grant received was from the Felician Sisters Wellness Program, which came out to \$25,000 to be split between North Wamac, Central City School, Willow Grove School, and Raccoon School for physical education. The second grant received was from the Clinton County Farm Bureau Foundation, which came out to \$350. This grant was for “Agriculture in the Classroom,” which will go towards a field trip to the Grow Exhibit at the St. Louis Science Center for Ms. Jayne's class.

AGENDA ITEM #5 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

5.1 Discussion of Personnel (as necessary and determined by the Board of Education) – A motion was made by Ashley Calvert and seconded by William Sloat to go into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by William Sloat and seconded by Ashley Calvert to return from Executive Session at 7:54 p.m. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

Upon returning from Executive Session, the following motions were made:

1. A motion was made by Laurie Holmes and seconded by William Sloat to adopt the recommended PRESS Policy changes. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Ashley Calvert and seconded by Laurie Holmes to approve C & K Heating and Cooling and McDonnough Heating & Air for the two HVAC repairs. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. A motion was made by William Sloat and seconded by Cathy Faulkner to approve the McGraw-Hill Wonders' series for the ELA curriculum. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

4. A motion was made by Ashley Calvert and seconded by Laurie Holmes to approve a three-year contract with John Tomlianovich as the tech support personnel for North Wamac School. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

5. A motion was made by Laurie Holmes and seconded by Cathy Faulkner to approve the February board meeting date change to February 22, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #6 – PUBLIC TO ADDRESS BOARD – No one addressed the Board.

AGENDA ITEM #7 – OTHER

AGENDA ITEM #8 – ADJOURNMENT – A motion was made by William Sloat and seconded by Cathy Faulkner to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Holmes, aye; Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kassidy Miller
Board Clerk

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Date

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Norman Faulkner, President

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Ashley Calvert, Secretary