

REGULAR SESSION

March 20, 2018

The North Wamac Grade School District #186 Board of Education meet in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at 7:11 p.m., in the Conference Room located at 1500 Case Street, Centralia, Illinois.

AGENDA ITEM #1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

1.1 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting (7:11 p.m.) - President Norman Faulkner called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. with Ashley Calvert, William Sloat, Pam McKay, and Cathy Faulkner present. Hank Jourdan and Jasper Pennington were absent.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

2.1 Review and Approve Minutes – A motion was made by Cathy Faulkner and seconded by William Sloat to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2018, meeting. Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; McKay, 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 Ashley Calvert and seconded by William Sloat to approve the February 2018 Treasurer’s Report. Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; McKay, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

2.2.2 Review and Approve Bills - A motion was made by Ashley Calvert and seconded by William Sloat to approve the bills for payment.

AGENDA ITEM #3 – OLD BUSINESS

3.1 End-of-Year Volleyball Team Results – The junior varsity and varsity volleyball teams had very impressive seasons; our varsity team ended the season with a record of 15-11, which includes a second place finish in the Iuka Invitational Tournament and a fourth place finish in the Trinity/Hoyleton Tournament. Our junior varsity team concluded their season with a record of 14-11, which includes a sixth place finish in the St. Mary’s Invitational Tournament and a fourth place finish in the Rome Invitational Tournament. Ms. Jayne indicated that the team played competitively, and the season was thoroughly enjoyed.

3.2 FY18 School Calendar – Mr. Morris amended the FY18 school calendar to reflect the emergency days taken so far this school year. If no additional emergency days for 2017-2018 are used, North Wamac School’s last day of attendance will be Tuesday, May 29, 2018.

3.3 Eighth Grade Graduation Date – The eighth grade graduation ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the Vic Dorris Gymnasium. The keynote speaker for this year’s graduation has not yet been determined.

3.4 Spring K.S.E.D. Governing Board Meeting – Mr. Morris and William Sloat attended the spring K.S.E.D. Governing Board Meeting held at Centralia High School on Monday, March 12, 2018. The meeting consisted of personnel decisions to conclude the current school year, as well as some personnel decisions to begin the 2018-2019 school year.

3.5 Active Shooter Training In-Service – North Wamac Grade School will be hosting an “active shooter training” for faculty and staff from 12:30 - 3:00 p.m., on Friday, April 20, 2018. The training will be taught by Officers Nick Heath and Derek Williams. The faculty and staff from Bridges for Learning will join us for the training.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Club’s Choice Spring Fundraiser Results – North Wamac Grade School’s annual PTO Club’s Choice spring fundraiser began on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, and it concluded on Wednesday, March 7, 2018. This fundraiser is used to help off-set various student-related activities throughout the course of the school year, such as various field trips and play day activities. This spring, our students raised approximately \$1,764.50, of which about 40% will go directly into the PTO fund after payment for the fundraiser expenses.

4.2 Southern Illinois Miners Baseball Game – For the seventh consecutive year, students, faculty, and staff of the third through eighth grades will be attending a Southern Illinois Miners baseball game in Marion, Illinois. This year’s event is scheduled for Tuesday, May 8, 2018, with a start time of 10:00 a.m. The cost of the game is \$9.00 per person, which includes the ticket price, a hot dog, chips, and a drink. Mr. Morris will send a letter home to all parents regarding the trip soon before the time comes.

4.3 Spring K.S.E.D. Governing Board Member for 2018-2019 School Year – William Sloat has served as North Wamac Grade School’s K.S.E.D. Governing Board Member for the 2017-2018 school year, and we appreciate his willingness to serve in this capacity. With the end of the school year approaching, we must take a vote to determine who will fill this position for the 2018-2019 school year.

4.3.1 Fall K.S.E.D. Governing Board Meeting Date – The fall K.S.E.D. Governing Board Meeting date for next school year is Monday, August 27, 2018, beginning with dinner at 5:30 p.m.

4.4 FY19 School Calendar – Mr. Morris and the other feeder school superintendents have created a tentative FY19 school calendar, of which a copy was presented to the Board. He previously shared the calendar with our head teachers, who allowed the rest of the teachers to have input on the calendar. Thus, it is Mr. Morris’s recommendation that we adopt the FY19 calendar at the conclusion of tonight’s meeting.

4.5 Teachers’ Rep (Amy Holtkamp) – Mrs. Amy Holtkamp reported to the Board various updates on the status of curriculums used this school year. She stated that the Wonders curriculum is going very well, with first and second grades preparing to implement parts of the online components and other basic computer skills. We purchased wireless mice and are in the process of creating Gmail accounts for the students in order to begin using Chromebooks in the classrooms; hopefully, this will be fully implemented by next school year. This will include taking tests online and the ability to access the curriculum from home. The upper-grade teachers informed her that they feel that Wonders is doing an excellent job of preparing students for PARCC. However, the

upper grades are starting to struggle in the area of math as students who began using GoMath in the lower grades are now transitioning to Saxon Math. As a result, teachers discussed looking into the MyMath curriculum; but, after discussion and feedback from other teachers who have used it, they decided that sticking with GoMath is the better choice.

AGENDA ITEM #6 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

5.1 Discussion of Personnel (as necessary and determined by the Board of Education)

– A motion was made by Pam McKay and seconded by Ashley Calvert to go into Executive Session at 7:18 p.m. Calvert, aye; Jourdan, aye; McKay, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by William Sloat and seconded by Pam McKay to return from Executive Session at 7:53 p.m. Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; McKay, 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 William Sloat and seconded by Ashley Calvert to retain Ronald Pantak and Judith Glasgow as PARCC tutors for the 2018-2019 school year instead of the option to give them non-reemployment letters. Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; McKay, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.
2. A motion was made by Ashley Calvert and seconded by Cathy Faulkner to nominate William Sloat as the K.S.E.D. Governing Board Member for the 2018-2019 school year as he volunteered to again serve this position. Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; McKay, aye; C Faulkner, aye; and N Faulkner, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. A motion was made by William Sloat and seconded by Pam McKay to adopt the proposed FY19 school calendar. Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; McKay, 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

7.1 Spring Break Dates – North Wamac Grade School will be on Spring break from Monday, March 26, 2018, through Monday, April 2, 2018. School will resume on Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

7.2 PARCC Assessment Testing – Students in the third through eighth grades will be administered the PARCC assessment tests in the areas of ELA and math during the two-week

window of Monday, April 9, 2018, through Friday, April 20, 2018. Hopefully, the preparation that has thus far been provided to the students will be reflected in their overall assessment scores.

AGENDA ITEM #8 – ADJOURNMENT – A motion was made by William Sloat and seconded by Ashley Calvert to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Calvert, aye; Sloat, aye; McKay, 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