

WAWASEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
Wawasee High School Warrior Room
July 12, 2022, 5:30 P.M.

An Executive Session was held in the Wawasee High School Commons Staff Lunchroom at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12, 2022. I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9) To discuss job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process. I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(2)(B) Initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. As used in this clause, "litigation" includes any judicial action or administrative law proceeding under federal or state law. I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(1)(D) For discussion of strategy with respect to a real property transaction including: (i) a purchase; (ii) a lease as lessor; (iii) a lease as lessee; (iv) a transfer; (v) an exchange; or (vi) a sale, by the governing body up to the time a contract or option is executed by the parties. This clause does not affect a political subdivision's duty to comply with any other statute that governs the conduct of the real property transaction, including IC 36-1-10 or IC 36-1-11.

The board by its signatures affixed below does affirm that the purpose of the Session was for the discussion of a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process. It was used to discuss the initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. As used in this clause, "litigation" includes any judicial action or administrative law proceeding under federal or state law. It was also used to discuss a real property transaction.

Those board members and central office staff present:

Don Bokhart, President
Mike Wilson, Vice President
Rebecca Linnemeier, Secretary
Andy Cripe, Board Member
Rob Fisher, Board Member

Shelly Wilfong, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Don Bokhart welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Mrs. Jennifer Phillips led the Pledge of Allegiance and The Vision Statement.

Mr. Don Bokhart led the Invocation.

Mr. Don Bokhart asked if there were any Patron Comments. There were none.

Mr. Brent Doty, Wawasee Community Schools Athletic Director, presented a report on Wawasee Athletics. Mr. Doty began by thanking the Board of Trustees for all the support they give to Wawasee Athletics and Wawasee athletes who are provided with opportunities to achieve outside of the classroom. The Athletic Department has 3 pillars that focus on and try to achieve each year: 1) Being as competitive as possible for all 23 of our athletic teams, 2) To establish and continue to build strong community relationships, and 3) To act as an extension of the classroom and provide for the whole student, academically and athletically. Athletic events provide us with so many opportunity to open our buildings to the community. Mr. Doty shared some great things that have been happening in Athletics as well. Wawasee coaches are challenged to do one service project each year to give back to the community. Local teams and clubs have been showcased at half times. The Upper Deck Dining is new this year as well as having corporate sponsors and they would like to partner with a store front to sell Wawasee items. Steve Coverstone, Boys and Girls Golf coach, had his 400th win. Junior, Cade Garden, is the first Wawasee athlete to be selected to be on the IHSAA Student Advisory Committee. The Board asked about emerging sports and Mr. Doty stated that Men's Volleyball and Women's Wrestling are in discussion but no actions have taken place yet.

Mrs. Rebecca Linnemeier moved to accept the Good News Items. Mr. Rob Fisher second the motion. The motion carried 5-0. Good News Items included:

d. Claims

Support Services Personnel Recommendations

Employment

- Jennifer Phillips is recommending Jennifer Beck as an 8 Hour Wawasee Early Learning Center Paraprofessional-NW. This position is effective August 10, 2022.
- Geoff Walmer is recommending Sandy Cadena to run our Credit Recovery classes. This position is effective August 9, 2022.
- Jim Best is recommending Richard Cline as a Route Bus Driver. This position is effective as of June 27, 2022.
- Jennifer Phillips is recommending Jada Gaff as a 5.75 hour North Webster Elementary Functional Skills Paraprofessional. This position is effective August 9, 2022.
- Jim Best is recommending Phil Huffman as a Regular Route Bus Driver. This position is effective August 1, 2022.
- Jennifer Phillips is recommending Kayla McKinzie as an 8 Hour Wawasee Early Learning Center Paraprofessional-Milford. This position is effective August 1, 2022.
- Lee Snider is recommending Logan Neal as an 8 Hour North Webster Elementary Custodian. This position is effective as of July 11, 2022.
- Jennifer Phillips is recommending Alesha Simmons as a 5.75 hour North Webster Elementary Functional Skills Paraprofessional. This position is effective August 9, 2022.
- Jim Best is recommending Elizabeth Spry as a Regular Route Bus Driver. This position is effective August 1, 2022.
- Lee Snider is recommending Leslie Tharp as the North Webster Media Center Paraprofessional. This position is effective August 8, 2022.
- Michael Casey is recommending Arthur Wiggs as the 1st Shift Custodian at Milford School. This position is effective as of June 22, 2022.

Transfers

- Geoff Walmer is recommending the Transfer of Lauren Allen from a 5.75 hour Wawasee Middle School Paraprofessional to a 7 hour Wawasee High School Paraprofessional. This transfer is effective August 8, 2022.
- Lee Snider is recommending the Transfer of Addison Ayres from a 7 hour Special Ed Paraprofessional to a 5.5 hour Remediation/Speech Paraprofessional. This transfer is effective August 10, 2022.
- Michael Casey is recommending the Transfer of Shandy Himes from a Milford Grade 6-8 Paraprofessional to a Milford Grade 3-5 Paraprofessional. This transfer is effective August 10, 2022.
- Geoff Walmer is recommending the Transfer of Natalie Mickley from a Wawasee High School 7 hour Paraprofessional to a Wawasee High School 5 hour Custodian. This transfer is effective June 29, 2022.

Resignations

- Teal Blackburn submitted her Letter of Resignation as a North Webster Elementary Functional/Applied Skills Paraprofessional. This Resignation is effective May 26, 2022.
- Pam Hollowell has submitted her Letter of Resignation as a 7 hour North Webster Paraprofessional. This Resignation is effective May 26, 2022.
- Shawn Pinkerton submitted his letter of Resignation as a Milford School Custodian. This Resignation is effective July 1, 2022.

Change in Status

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- Eric Speicher is recommending Chase Pinion as the Syracuse Elementary PE Teacher. This position is effective August 8, 2022.
- Geoff Walmer is recommending Rebecca Roberts as a Wawasee High School Language Arts Teacher. This position is effective August 8, 2022.
- Michael Casey is recommending Tasha Salyer as a Milford Grade 6 and 7 Math Teacher. This position is effective August 8, 2022.
- Geoff Walmer is recommending Christine Troutman as a Wawasee High School Special Education Teacher. This position is effective August 8, 2022.

Employment – Special Education EYS (Extended School Year)

- Kari Baker - Teacher
- Jenny Campbell – MHT
- Emma Coppes - Teacher
- Janet Farrington - Teacher
- Leah Glassburn - Teacher
- Susan Haessig – Teacher
- Gabby Lee - Teacher
- Jennifer Mitchell – MHT
- Jesse Ritter – Teacher
- Susan Scheidt – SLP
- Carlye Phagan Snider - Teacher
- Jessica Taylor - Teacher
- Shari Upchurch - Teacher

Transfers

- Brent Berkeypile is recommending the Transfer of Leah Glassburn from a Wawasee High School Special Education Teacher to a Wawasee Middle School Special Education Teacher. This Transfer is effective August 8, 2022.
- Brent Berkeypile is recommending the Transfer of David Shipley from a Wawasee High School Special Education Teacher to a Wawasee Middle School Health/PE Teacher. This Transfer is effective August 8, 2022.

Resignations

- Taylor Burkhart submitted her Letter of Resignation as a Syracuse Elementary PE Teacher. This Resignation is effective June 14, 2022.
- Thomas Dickerson submitted his Letter of Resignation as a Wawasee Middle School Health Teacher. This Resignation is effective May 27, 2022.
- Randi Warren submitted her Letter of Resignation as a Wawasee High School Pathways Health Science Instructor. This Resignation is effective July 1, 2022.

Certified Personnel Recommendations – Lay Down

Employment

- Geoff Walmer is recommending Britaini Tackitt as a Wawasee High School Science Teacher. This position is effective August 8, 2022.

Resignation

- Codey Holliday submitted his Letter of Resignation as a Wawasee High School Art Teacher. This resignation is effective July 12, 2022.

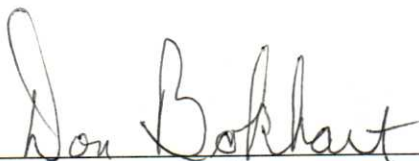
- c. Approval of Revised 2022-2023 WCSC Calendar. Adjustments were made due to the new law about a-sync e-learning days.
- d. Approval to grant access to the corporation bank accounts held at Lake City Bank to Dr. Steve Troyer.
- e. Approval to appoint Mrs. Rachel Moore as Treasurer and Mrs. Barb Casey as Deputy Treasurer effective July 1, 2022 due to recent restructuring at our Central Office.
- f. Approval of Certified Staff Handbook.
- g. Approval of Transportation Department Manual changes.
- h. Approval of Resolution 2022-5. Approval of Residential TIF areas in the Syracuse area.
- i. Approval of Resolution 2022-6. Approval of Residential TIF areas in the Syracuse area.
- j. Approval of the creation of a new position for a Special Education Coordinator.
- k. Approval of Out-Of-State/Overnight Trips
 - 1. Wawasee High School – Girl’s Soccer – Sawyer, Michigan
 - 2. Wawasee High School – FFA – Syracuse, Indiana

Mme Sarah Harrison presented on the Virtual Learning Report. Mme Harrison reported that the Wawasee Virtual Academy continues to refine and improve. There were 215 Unique Students enrolled in 2020-2021 and 75 Unique Students enrolled in 2021-2022. There are also Hybrid Students who take some “in-house” classes. The students meet every morning and 8:30 a.m. and have wekkly goal setting. The curriculum used is Edmentum. The Board asked if we are able to advertise our academy around the state and they can and they do.


Dr. Shelly Wilfong recognized the passing of two former Wawasee staff members; Tracy Swain Walsea and Dave Stookey. Dr. Wilfong shared that Student Registration begins July 20th at noon. There will be no Reporter this year as there will be a page of information on our website that will provide the information usually covered. New Teacher Orientation is July 28-29 and August 1, 2, and 4. Dr. Wilfong took the opportunity to recognize the strong leadership provided by Dr. Troyer and the pleasure of working with Wawasee Community Schools.

Mr. Rob Fisher moved to adjourn. Mr. Mike Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.


The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



Don Bokhart, President



Mike Wilson, Vice President



Rebecca Linnemeier, Secretary

