

# WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### Regular Meeting of December 21, 2009

The Regular Board Meeting of the Wattsburg Area School District Board of Education was held on Monday, December 21, 2009 at the Wattsburg Area Elementary Center.

President Joseph Walko called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Mrs. Sue Afton, Mr. Eric Duda, Mr. Kerry Duncan, Mr. Bruce McCall, Mrs. Nancy McNally, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. John Rzepka, Mr. Kenneth Watkins, and Mr. Joseph Walko. Also in attendance were Mrs. Nancy Sadaly, Superintendent, Mr. Thomas Rinke, Assistant Superintendent, and Mr. Stephen Maksimuk, Business Administrator.

#### Roll Call

The meeting recessed to a Kindergarten Classroom at 7:38 p.m. to view the amplification system. Mrs. Knappenberger also reported on the status of Special Education during that time. The meeting reconvened at 8:13 p.m.

Minutes of the November 16, 2009 Regular Board Meeting, minutes of the December 7, 2009 Organization Meeting, and minutes of the December 14, 2009 Regular Work Session were reviewed. **Motion** by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally to approve minutes. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried.

#### Minutes

In the Superintendent's Report, Mrs. Sadaly gave special thanks to Mr. Reid, Mr. Caspar and Mrs. Lopez for their Christmas Concerts. She also commended students who were participants in Voice of Democracy Essay.

#### Superintendent's Report

Mr. Maksimuk noted cash in the bank in the amount of \$3,722,584.83 as of November 30, 2009 and cash in the capital reserve account in the amount of \$3,581.71 as of November 30, 2009. He also reported a Year to Date \$127.13 profit in the Cafeteria Report. Mr. Maksimuk reported the amount of General Fund Bills, Exhibit "A" to be \$107,124.55; Checks already Written, Exhibit "A1" to be \$1,037,649.14; General Fund Bills, Exhibit "A2" to be \$170,904.78; Checks Already Written, Exhibit "A3" to be \$777,800.60; Cafeteria Bills, Exhibit "B" to be \$33,201.51. Mr. Maksimuk also noted cash in the SHS Activity Fund (Exhibit "D") to be \$64,165.91 and cash in the Special Revenue Report (Athletics) (Exhibit "E") to be \$80.79. **Motion** for approval was made by Mr. Rzepka and seconded by Mr. Rose. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton and Mr. Walko. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Treasurer's Reports, Cafeteria Report, Payment of Bills, SHS Activity Fund/ Special Revenue Report

**Motion** by Mr. Rose, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to approve the IRS Rate from 55.0¢ to 50.0¢, effective January 1, 2010. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, and Mr. Walko. The following member voted "No": Mr. Duda. Motion was carried.

#### IRS Rate Change

**Motion** by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Rzepka, to approve attached Per Capita Tax Exemptions. In a recorded call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, and Mr. Walko. The following members voted "No": Mr. Rose. Motion was carried.

**Per Capita Tax Exemptions**

**Motion** by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Rzepka, to approve the following Facilities Requests:

**Facilities Requests**

- To approve Adult Recreation Basketball to use the facilities at WAMS, Mondays, December 28, 2009 through May 2010 (subject to change - student use takes precedence) (No Cost to the District).
- To approve Girl Scouts to use the facilities at WAEC, for the following meetings: Monday, January 4, 2010 or Wednesday, January 6, 2010, Tuesdays, January 26, February 23, March 30, April 27, May 25, June 22, and August 31, 2010 (No Cost to District).
- To approve Girl Scouts to use the facilities at WAEC for meetings, Wednesdays, January 6, 2010 through June 9, 2010 (No Cost to District).
- To approve Mr. David Pound to use the facilities at WAEC for Bible Study, Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, 2010, February 4, and 18, 2010, Tuesday, February 9, 2010 (No Cost to District).
- To approve Wattsburg Wrestling Club to use the facilities at WAMS for a Wrestling League Tournament, Saturday, January 23, 2010 (No Cost to District).
- To approve Wattsburg Wrestling Club to use the facilities at SHS for a Novice Wrestling League Tournament, Sunday, January 24, 2010 (No Cost to District).
- To approve Girl Scouts to use the facilities at WAEC for meetings, Wednesdays, February 3, 2010 through May 26, 2010, and Tuesday, June 1, 2010 (No Cost to District).

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Mr. Rose, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to approve Wattsburg Area School District to hold an H1N1 Clinic on a Friday/Saturday (date to be determined) at no cost to the District. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**H1N1 Clinic**

**Motion** by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Duda, to approve the following resignations:

- To accept the resignation of **Mrs. Elizabeth Bille**, Client Technology Specialist, effective January 1, 2010.
- To approve the resignation of **Ms. Amie Dove** as Campus Wide Special Needs Aide, effective December 22, 2009.
- To approve the resignation of **Ms. Brandi Vanerstrom** as Medical Assistant, Nursing Support, Out of District, effective December 23, 2009.

**Personnel Resignations**

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve the following conferences:

- Ms. Ann Gavazzi, Mrs. Jennifer Malec, Mrs. Joni Swackhamer, Ms. Mary Kate O'Connell, and Mrs. Audrey Coletta**-Leveled Literacy Intervention Observation, Cambridge Springs, Tuesday, January 5, 2010 (No Cost to the District).

**Personnel Conferences**

- Mrs. Teresa Pearce, Ms. Donna Banks, and Ms. Sandi Gulnac**-SAS Coordinator Academy – Elementary Mathematics, Edinboro, Tuesday, January 5, 2010, Wednesday, January 6, 2010, Wednesday, February 3, 2010, Thursday, February 4, 2010, Wednesday, March 24, 2010, Thursday, March 25, 2010, (make up – Friday, March 26, 2009) Tuesday, May 18, 2010, and Wednesday, May 19, 2010, \$838.00 Each (Funds from Math, Grade K-6).
- Mrs. Michelle McAvoy**-Response to Intervention (RTI): The Fundamentals, Erie, Wednesday, January 13, 2010, \$302.00 (Funds from Professional Development).
- Mrs. Cheryl Krider**-PIIC Professional Development, State College, Monday, January 25, 2010 and Tuesday, January 26, 2010, \$385.00 (Funds from PIIC).
- Ms. Pam Carson**-Response to Intervention for Disruptive and Difficult Students, Pittsburgh, Friday, January 29, 2010, \$428.00 (Funds from Professional Development).
- Mrs. Joni Swackhamer and Mrs. Jennifer Malec**-2010 National Reading Recovery and K-6 Classroom Literacy Conference, Columbus, Ohio, Saturday, February 6, 2010 through Tuesday, February 9, 2010, \$1,265.00 (Funds from Title I Account).
- Mrs. Mary Beth Hengelbrok**-PA Educational Technology Expo and Conference, Hershey, Friday, February 19, 2010 through Thursday, February 25, 2010, \$185.00 (Funds from CFF/Literacy, Grades K-12).
- Mr. Todd Talbot**-National Science Teachers Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Tuesday, March 9, 2010 through Saturday, March 13, 2010, \$320.00 (Funds from Substitute Account).
- Mr. Curt Spicher**-AAHPERD National Convention, Indianapolis, IN, Tuesday, March 16, 2010 through Saturday, March 20, 2010, \$320.00 (Funds from Physical Education, Grades 5-8).

**Personnel  
Conferences  
Continued**

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to approve the appointment of **Ms. Barbara Maleski** as Level 1 Behavioral Aide, Class B position, 7 hours per day, 180 days per year at an hourly rate of \$11.35, effective December 14, 2009. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Personnel  
Appointment**

**Motion** by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally, to approve additions to the Teachers’ Substitute List (**Exhibit F**), Emergency Teachers’ Substitute List (**Exhibit G**), and Service Substitute List (**Exhibit H**). In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Additions to  
Substitute Lists**

A Maintenance Report was given by Mr. Eric Schultz.

**Motion** by Mr. Rose, seconded by Mrs. McNally, to approve the following Transportation Requests:

**Transportation  
Requests  
Continued**

- To approve SHS Autistic Support students to travel St. Boniface Church and Salvation Army, Erie, Tuesdays, January 5, 2010 to the end of the school year, \$55.00 each trip (Funds from IU 5).
- To approve SHS Autistic Support students to travel to Wegmans, Frontier Park (sledding) or Blasco Library, Bob Evans or McDonald's, Erie, Friday, January 8, 2010, \$125.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- To approve SHS Academic Sports League to travel to Gannon University, Erie, Saturday, January 9, 2010, \$177.00 (Funds from ASL).
- To approve WAEC Autistic Support students to travel to Eastland Bowling, a Fast Food Restaurant, and Aldis, Erie, Tuesday, January 12, 2010, \$98.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- To approve SHS Autistic Support students to travel to Evans Skateland, Taco Bell, Salvation Army and Target, Erie, Friday, January 15, 2010, \$126.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- To approve SHS Autistic Support students to travel to Wegmans, Frontier Park (sledding) or Blasco Library, Bob Evans or McDonald's, Erie, Thursday, January 21, 2010, \$125.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- To approve WAEC Autistic Support students to travel to Big Lots, K-Mart, Eastside YMCA, and Wendy's, Erie, Thursday, January 28, 2010, \$98.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- To approve SHS Autistic Support students to travel to WalMart, Dollar Tree, Giant Eagle, Bowling, Pizza Hut or Wendy's, Erie, Friday, January 29, 2010, \$119.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- To approve WAMS students, Grades 5-8, to participate in the following Lifetime Physical Activities on Thursday, February 11, 2010, \$1,200.00:
  - Peek'n Peak Ski Resort
  - Evans Skateland West
  - North East Lanes
  - Erie Ice Arena
  - Behrend College – Junker Center
  - McDonald's(Funds from Students.)
- To approve SHS Envirothon Team, Grades 9-12, to travel to Erie County Conservation District, Erie, Thursday, May 6, 2009, \$280.00 (Funds from Field Trip Grant and Substitute Account).
- To approve SHS Marching Band, Grades 7-12, to travel to Tullio Arena to perform at an Erie Otters Game, Date to be Announced, \$105.00 (Funds from Student Activities Account).

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve the following Extra-Curricular Appointments for 2009-2010 school year:

**Extra-Curricular  
Appointments**

- To approve the appointment of **Mr. Robert Hart** as Head Baseball Coach, Step 3, at a salary of \$3,491.00 for the 2009-2010 school year.

- To approve the appointment of **Mr. Gene Watkins** as WAMS 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wrestling Coach-Intramurals – 80 Hours, at an hourly rate of \$20.61 for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Extra-Curricular  
Appointments  
Continued**

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Duda, to declare the following Spanish Materials Surplus:

**Declare  
Surplus**

- To declare WAEC Spanish Materials surplus as outlined in attachment.
- To declare WAMS Spanish Materials surplus as outlined in attachment.

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Duncan commended Mr. Maksimuk and staff for doing an excellent job on the State audit of the District.

Mr. Rose requested Administration to write letters to Ms. Berlin and Mrs. Magnusen to recognize their contributions to the the Elwin G. Rose Auditorium.

Mr. Duda gave a report regarding the Erie Vo-Tech School.

Mr. Duncan gave a report regarding the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion by Mr. Walko, seconded by Mr. Duda, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m. with an Executive Session to follow.

**Adjournment**



Stephen J. Maksimuk  
School Board Secretary