

WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting of July 20, 2009

The Regular Board Meeting of the Wattsburg Area School District Board of Education was held on Monday, July 20, 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. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. John Rzepka, Mrs. Linda Smith, Mr. James Thompson, Mr. Kenneth Watkins, and Mr. Joseph Walko. Also in attendance were Mrs. Nancy Sadaly, Superintendent and Mr. Stephen Maksimuk, Business Administrator.

Minutes of the June 15, 2009 Regular Board Meeting, minutes of the June 22, 2009 Special Board Meeting, and minutes of the July 13, 2009 Regular Work Session were reviewed. **Motion** by Mr. Elwin Rose, seconded by Mr. Duda, to approve minutes. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Walko. Motion was carried unanimously.

Mrs. Sadaly recognized Mr. Eric Schultz, Plant Operations and Maintenance Supervisor, and Mr. Robert LaPlaca, Information Technology Manager, for their service during the Press Conference held for Vice President Biden.

Mr. Maksimuk noted cash in the bank in the amount of \$1,101,525.61 as of June 30, 2009 and cash in the capital reserve account in the amount of \$3,581.71 as of June 30, 2009. Mr. Maksimuk reported the amount of General Fund Bills, Exhibit "A" to be 69,219.08; Checks already Written, Exhibit "A1" to be \$1,395,675.62; General Fund Bills, Exhibit "A2" to be \$353,342.70; Checks Already Written, Exhibit "A3" to be \$488,634.09, and Cafeteria Bills, Exhibit B to be \$8,506.36. Mr. Maksimuk also noted cash in the SHS Activity Fund to be \$65,693.10 and cash in the Special Revenue Report (Athletics) to be \$880.78. **Motion** for approval was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Rzepka. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Mr. Duda discussed having the Finance Committee Meeting on August 10, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. where Mr. Maksimuk will give an update on the Governor's Budget. Mr. Maksimuk discussed the Energy Savings Plan.

Motion by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Duda, to approve Mrs. Julie O'Donnell for a Child Birth Leave according to the WEA Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement to become effective September 14, 2009 and return November 2, 2009. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Scott Rose to approve the following conference requests:

- Mrs. Jean Eller and Ms. Ann Gavazzi**-3 C-s, Connect, Communicate, Collaborate, Erie, Tuesday, August 4, 2009 and Wednesday, August 5, 2009, \$60.00 each (Funds from All, Grades K, 3-8).

Roll Call

Minutes

Superintendent's Report

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

Finance Committee Meeting

Personnel

Conference Requests

- Mrs. Mary Rea and Mrs. Jan Pelensky**-PSEA Department of Pupil Services Conference, State College, Wednesday, August 5 through Thursday, August 6, 2009, \$645.00 (Funds from Nursing/Guidance, Grades K-4).
- Mr. Vincent DiMichele**-Ethical Considerations for the Participation of Students in Team Meetings, Edinboro, Tuesday, August 18, 2009, \$30.00 (Funds from WAMS Guidance, Grades 5-8).
- Mr. Vincent DiMichele**-Erie County School Counselor's Annual Meeting, Edinboro, Wednesday, September 9, 2009 or September 16, 2009 (No Cost to District).
- Mrs. Glenda Patterson**-ACCESS PA and POWER Library Training, Edinboro, Monday, September 21, 2009, \$105.00 (Funds from Library).
- Mrs. Heather Hedderman**-ACCESS PA Refresher Session, Edinboro, Tuesday, September 22, 2009, \$105.00 (Funds from Library, Grades K-4).
- Mrs. Glenda Patterson**-IMTS Liaison Council for IU #5, Edinboro, Wednesdays, September 23, 2009, November 18, 2009, and March 24, 2010, \$419.00 (Funds from Library).
- Mrs. Cheryl Krider**-Reading Apprenticeship, Edinboro, Monday, October 19, 2009, Tuesday, October 20, 2009, and Wednesday, October 21, 2009, \$349.00 (Funds from Literacy Coach, Grades 9-12).
- Mrs. Nancy Sadaly, Mr. Steve Maksimuk, Mr. Joe Walko, Mr. John Rzepka, Mrs. Sue Afton, Mr. Ken Watkins, Mr. Tom Podpora and Mrs. Linda Lorei**-Negotiations Cluster Meeting, Titusville, Tuesday, July 28, 2009 (No Cost to the District).
- Mrs. Nancy Sadaly**-New Superintendents' Academy (Communications/Planning and Evaluation), Harrisburg, Wednesday, September 23, 2009 through Thursday, September 24, 2009 and Wednesday, January 20, 2010 through Thursday, January 21, 2010, \$1,157.00 (Funds from Administration).

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Scott Rose to approve the following motions for staff to attend meetings:

- Motion:** To approve the Superintendent's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. I.U. Advisory Meetings
 2. Vo-Tech Professional Advisory Council Meetings
 3. Mandatory PDE Meetings
- Motion:** To approve the Assistant Superintendent's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. Curriculum Meetings
 2. Federal and Special Program Meetings
 3. Mandatory PDE Meetings
- Motion:** To approve Principals' attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. School to Career Meetings for SHS Principal.
 2. Erie County Principals' Meetings for all principals.
 3. Mandatory PDE Meetings

**Conference
Requests
Continued**

**Meeting
Attendance**

**Meeting
Attendance
Continued**

- Motion:** To approve Special Education Supervisor's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. Special Education Supervisor Meetings
 2. Mandatory PDE Meetings
- Motion:** To approve the Business Administrator's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. Business Administrator Meetings
 2. Mandatory PDE Meetings
- Motion:** To approve the Cafeteria Supervisor's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. PRFSD Meetings
 2. SNAPA Quarterly Meetings
 3. Erie County Food Service Director's Meetings
 4. Mandatory PDE Meetings/Trainings
 5. PASBO Conferences/Trainings
- Motion:** To approve Plant Operations/Maintenance Supervisor's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings/trainings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. Plant Operations Supervisor's Meetings
 2. Mandatory PDE Meetings/Trainings
- Motion:** To approve Transportation Supervisor's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings/trainings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. Transportation Supervisor's Meetings
 2. Mandatory PDE Meetings/Trainings
- Motion:** To approve Superintendent Secretary's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings/trainings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. Personnel Meetings
 2. Certification Meetings
 3. Superintendent Secretary's Meetings
 4. Mandatory PDE Meetings/Trainings
- Motion:** To approve Lesa Kimball's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings/trainings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. A/CAPA Meetings
 2. Harris Users' Meetings
 3. PIMS/Penndata Meetings at IU 5
 4. Mandatory PDE Meetings/Trainings
- Motion:** To approve Information Technology Manager's and Network and Computer System Supervisor's attendance for travel reimbursement at the following meetings/trainings for the 2009-2010 school year:
 1. Information Technology Manager's Meetings
 2. Mandatory PDE Meetings/Trainings

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Watkins to approve Mr. Christopher Paris' attendance at District 10 and the Erie County League meetings for the 2009-2010 school year. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Rzepka to change the effective date for Mr. Christopher Paris, WAMS Assistant Principal, from August 16, 2009 to August 12, 2009. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Change Effective Date

Motion by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Rzepka to approve the following appointments: **Ms. Pamela Carson** as WAEC Special Education Teacher at Step 1, Masters, as a salary of \$37,942.00; and, **Ms. Kelli Pittner** as WAMS Health/Physical Education Teacher at Step 1, \$36,842.00. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Appointments

Motion by Mrs. Afton, seconded by Mr. Rzepka to table the First Reading of Policy 5127.1.3.1 – Students – Use of Medication as outlined in **Exhibit F** and First Reading of Revised Policy 5127.1.3.1 – Administrative Regulations Dispensing Medication and Administering First Aid as outlined in **Exhibit G**. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Tabled Policies

It was announced that a Policy Committee Meeting will be held on August 3, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Afton, seconded by Mr. Rzepka, to remove from the table the Approval of First Reading for Revised Policy 6132 – Graduation Requirements/Required Courses. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Remove From Table Policy

Motion by Mrs. Afton, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to approve the First Reading for Revised Policy 6132 – Graduation Requirements/Required Courses as outlined in **Exhibit H**. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Walko. The following member voted “No”: Mr. Duda. Motion carried.

Policy Approval

Motion by Mr. Scott Rose, seconded by Mr. Duda, to approve the following new courses at the Wattsburg Area Middle School:

- Personal Fitness/Lifetime Activities – Grades 7/8
 - Arts and Crafts Studio – Grade 7
 - Challenge 24 – Math – Grades 7/8
 - Keyboarding – Grades 7/8
- (See **Exhibit I**.)

Course Approval

In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Scott Rose, seconded by Mr. Elwin Rose, to approve WAMS Textbook Purchases for WAMS and SHS for the 2009-2010 school year as outlined in **Exhibit J**. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

Textbook Approval

Mr. Robert LaPlaca gave a Technology Report to the Board.

Motion by Mr. Elwin Rose, seconded by Mr. Scott Rose, to approve WAEC Grade 4 to travel to Warner Theater, Erie, to view a live Philharmonic Concert, Thursday, October 22, 2009, \$340.00 (Funds from PTO); and, SHS Engineering Career Academy Females, Grades 11-12, to travel to Behrend College, Erie, to experience Engineering options/opportunities, Friday, November 20, 2009, \$121.00 (Funds from School to Career Account). In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”:
Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

**Transportation
Requests**

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Elwin Rose, to approve the resignation of **Mr. Rick Stoutamyer** as Head Baseball Coach, effective June 11, 2009; and, the resignation of **Mr. Raymond Trejchel** as First Assistant Baseball Coach, effective July 8, 2009. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

**Athletic
Resignations**

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Rzepka, to approve **Mr. Jesse Heubel** as WAMS 7th/8th Grade Wrestling Coach – Intramurals, 80 Hours, at a rate of \$20.61 per hour, for the 2009-2010 school year; **Mrs. Betsy Walker** as JV (First Assistant) Girls’ Softball Coach at Step 1, at a salary of \$2,161.00 for the 2009-2010 school year; **Mr. Eric Biby** as WAMS 7th Grade Girls’ Basketball Coach-Intramurals, 80 Hours, at a rate of \$20.61 per hour, for the 2009-2010 school year; **Mr. Robert Reid** as SHS Freshman Class Advisor, Step 6, at a salary of \$687.00, for the 2009-2010 school year; and, **Ms. Kelli Pittner** as the SHS JV (First Assistant) Girls’ Basketball Coach, Step 1, at a salary of \$2,718.00, for the 2009-2010 school year. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

**Extra Curricular/
Athletic
Appointments**

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Elwin Rose, to approve the Activity Fee of \$30.00 per student for Seneca High School students and \$20.00 per student for Wattsburg Area Middle School students for participation in applicable athletic and musical programs with a maximum of \$90.00 per family for the 2009-2010 school year; and, to approve the fees of \$1.00 for students, \$3.00 for adults and \$15.00 for a 10-event pass for admission to applicable athletic contests for the 2009-2010 school year. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Rzepka, and Mr. Walko. The following member voted “No”: Mr. Scott Rose. Motion carried.

Activity Fees

Motion by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Duda, to approve additions to the Volunteer Coaching List as outlined in **Exhibit K**; and to open the position of SHS Assistant Cheerleading Advisor. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

**Volunteer
Coaching List/
Open Cheerleading
Position**

Motion by Mr. Walko, seconded by Mr. Scott Rose, to declare the WASD July 2009 Technology Salvage List as Surplus. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Watkins, Mrs. Afton, Mr. Duda, Mr. Elwin Rose, Mr. Scott Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Walko. Motion carried.

**Surplus
Technology List**

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Elwin Rose, the meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Adjournment

Stephen J. Maksimuk
School Board Secretary