

**WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
WORK SESSION MINUTES
June 9, 2008**

The meeting of the Regular Work Session was convened on June 9, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

Sue Afton, Eric Duda, Elwin Rose, John Rzepka, Linda Smith, James Thompson, Joseph Walko and Kenneth Watkins were present. Scott Rose was absent. Jay Badams, Nancy Sadaly and Steve Maksimuk were also present together with other interested persons.

Roll Call

Mr. Maksimuk reviewed with the Board the Treasurer's Report for May 2008 and the list of General Fund and Cafeteria bills. These items to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Business
Administrator's
Report

Motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Walko to approve a one-time retirement incentive agreement as outlined in Exhibit C to also include an amount not to exceed \$812.64 for Employee and Child coverage per month, this incentive to expire on the close of business on June 11, 2008. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Afton, Duda, Rzepka, Smith, Thompson, Walko, Watkins and Elwin Rose. Motion carried.

Retirement Incentive
Agreement

Mr. Maksimuk presented to the Board a list of budgetary changes that reflect the current budget status as of June 9, 2008, he also reminded the Board that there will be a Finance Committee meeting on Monday, June 16th at 6:00 p.m. and final budget adoption is scheduled for Monday, June 23rd at 7:30 p.m.

Budget Update

The Board discussed the per capita tax exemptions. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Per Capita Tax
Exemptions

The Board discussed the following retirements:

Retirements

- Mr. John Pavkov, Science Teacher at SHS, to become effective June 5, 2008.
- Mrs. Barbara Paris, Elementary Teacher at WAEC, to become effective June 5, 2008.
- Mrs. Nancy McNally, Elementary Teacher at WAMS, to become effective June 5, 2008.
- Mrs. Carol Thompson, Art Teacher at WAEC, to become effective June 5, 2008.
- Mrs. Sharon Lorei, Family and Consumer Science Teacher at SHS, to become effective June 6, 2008.
- Mr. Richard Durko, Industrial Arts Teacher at SHS, to become effective June 11, 2008.

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed the following appointments:

Appointments

- Ms. Lisa Wagner as the SHS Business Teacher effective August 22, 2008, at Step 1, at a salary of \$35,444.00.

- SHS Summer Reading Teacher from June 30, 2008 through July 31, 2008, Monday through Thursday, three hours per day at an hourly rate of \$27.00 per hour.
- SHS Drop-out Recovery Counselor from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the contractual rate.
- SHS Business Connections Counselor from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 at the contractual rate.
- SHS Classrooms for the Future Technology Integration Coach pending approval of the CFF Grant.
- Mr. Eric Smrcka as WAMS/SHS pianist at a cost of \$800.00 for the 2008-2009 school year.
- Mr. Ron Rairie as WAMS/SHS piano tuner/repair technician at a cost not to exceed \$225.00 for the 2008-2009 school year.

Appointments
(Continued)

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed hiring Mr. William Galloway as summer maintenance helper at a rate of \$8.00 per hour. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Summer
Maintenance Help

The Board discussed the following conference requests:

Conference Requests

- Ms. Heather Kirk-Positive Education Program, Cleveland, Ohio, Monday, June 16, 2008 through Friday, June 20, 2008, \$1,309.00 (Funds from I.U. 5 and Behavior, Grades K-4) (Act 48).
- Mr. Doug McGarvey, Mr. Tom Podpora, Mrs. Maria Hvezda and Mrs. Sheri Hoffman-Life Space Crisis Training, Erie, Monday, July 21, 2008 through Friday, July 25, 2008, \$2,000.00 (Funds from I.U. 5) (Act 48).
- Mr. Doug McGarvey, Mr. Tim Schweitzer, Mr. Mike Ellicott, Mr. David Frank and Mr. Chris Ward-LEARN Middle School Academy, Edinboro, Tuesday, August 12, 2008 and Saturday, October 18, 2008 (No Cost to the District) (Act 48).
- Mrs. Shelley Ochterski-ECE Institute for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten (Governor's Institute), La Plume, PA, Sunday, June 22, 2008 through Friday, June 27, 2008, \$50.00 (Funds from K-All, Grade K) (Act 48).
- Ms. Barbara Schock-BusBoss Workshop, Gettysburg, Late June or July (date to be determined), \$351.00 (Funds from Transportation).
- Mrs. Mary Beth Hengelbrok, Mrs. Andrea Hart, Mr. Mike Ellicott and Mr. Timothy Schweitzer-Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Governor's Institute (STEM GI) 2008, Middletown, Monday, July 28, 2008 through Friday, August 1, 2008, \$750.00 (Funds from Science/Math, Grades 5-8) (Act 48).

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed tuition reimbursement stipends. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Tuition
Reimbursement

The Board discussed the resignation of Mrs. Nicole Drabic, WAMS Librarian, effective August 22, 2008. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Resignation

The Board discussed the following changes to Act 80 Days for the 2008-2009 school year:

Changes to Act 80 Days

Add Friday, September 12, 2008	Whole Day
Change Friday, November 7, 2008	from ½ Day to Whole Day
Eliminate Friday, February 13, 2009	Whole Day
Change Friday, April 3, 2009	from ½ Day to Whole Day

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed the following Section 1502 holidays for the 2008-2009 school year:

Section 1502 Holidays

December 24, 2008
December 26, 2008
December 29, 2008
December 30, 2008
December 31, 2008
January 1, 2009

This item to be placed on the agenda for May 19, 2008.

The Board discussed textbooks for the 2008-2009 school year. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Textbooks

The Board discussed declaring computers as surplus. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Surplus Technology Equipment

The Board discussed the following buses as surplus:

Buses as Surplus

Bus 36	1997 Int. 71 Passenger	152,594 miles
Bus 39	1999 Int. 71 Passenger	122,093 miles
Bus 43	1999 Int. 71 Passenger	128,360 miles

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed the following summer band appointments for the 2008-2009 school year:

Summer Band Appointments

- Mr. Pat Ross - Percussion Instructor, 50 hours at contracted hourly rate of \$19.19.
- Ms. Summer Clausen - Assistant Band Front, 50 hours at contracted hourly rate of \$19.19.

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed the WAMS athletic/extra curricular appointments for the 2008-2009 school year. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Athletic/Extra Curricular Appointments

The Board discussed the following SHS athletic appointments for the 2008-2009 school year:

Athletic Appointments

- Mrs. Betsy Gamble-Head Volleyball Coach, Step 1 @ a salary of \$3,596.00.
- Mrs. Betsy Gamble-7th/8th Grade Volleyball Coach, Intramurals, 80 Hours, at an hourly rate of \$19.19.

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed the contribution of the following USDA surplus commodities to the I.U. summer food service program:

Donation to Summer Nutrition Program

- 2 cases Tuna
- 3 cases Peanut butter
- 1 case Sunflower butter
- 10 cases Various processed chicken products to include chicken nuggets, chicken patties and popcorn chicken

This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

The Board discussed declaring SHS audio visual equipment as surplus. This item to be placed on the agenda for June 16, 2008.

Surplus SHS Audio Visual Equipment

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Stephen J. Maksimuk
Assistant Secretary