

**WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
WORK SESSION MINUTES
November 10, 2008**

The meeting of the Regular Work Session was convened on November 10, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

Sue Afton, Eric Duda, Elwin Rose, Scott Rose, John Rzepka, James Thompson, Joseph Walko and Kenneth Watkins were present. Linda Smith 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 October 2008 and the list of General Fund and Cafeteria bills. These items to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Business
Administrator's
Report

Motion by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Rzepka to suspend rules per Policy 9341 to allow voting on action items. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted "Yes". Motion carried.

By-Laws – Methods
of Operation

The Board discussed the Memorandum of Agreement with Local #2 regarding cafeteria managers. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Memorandum of
Agreement with Local
#2 Regarding
Cafeteria Managers

The Board discussed the Memorandum of Agreement with Local #2 regarding life insurance. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Memorandum of
Agreement with Local
#2 Regarding Life
Insurance

The Board discussed the Memorandum of Agreement with Local #2 regarding retro hospitalization. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Memorandum of
Agreement with Local
#2 Regarding Retro
Hospitalization

The Board discussed ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the WASD and the Wattsburg Educational Support Personnel Association Local #2, July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Collective Bargaining
Agreement between
the WASD and the
WESPA Local #2

The Board discussed appointing Dr. Kurt Johnson as the school dentist at \$4.00 per exam for the 2008-2009 school year. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

School Dentist

The Board discussed the per capita tax exemptions. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Per Capita Tax
Exemptions

Mr. Duda reported that the Finance Committee has discussed the reopening of the 2008-2009 General Fund Budget for the purpose of additional revenues that include Project 720, Basic Instructional Subsidy and Charter School Reimbursement. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

2008-2009 Budget
Reopening

Mr. Duda reported that the Finance Committee has discussed transferring the balance of inactive Seneca High School Activity Fund Account to the Seneca High School Activity Student Body Account. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Inactive Student
Activity Accounts

The Board discussed the use of the following school facilities:

- Wattsburg Area Little League to use the facilities at WAMS for meetings, Mondays, November 10, 2008, December 8, 2008, January 12 and 26, 2009 and February 9, 2009 (No Cost to the District).
- Mr. David Pound to use the facilities at WAEC for Bible Study, 6:00 - 6:30 p.m., on the following dates (No Cost to the District):
 - Tuesday, December 9 and 16, 2008
 - Tuesday, January 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2009
 - Tuesday, February 3 and 10, 2009
 - Wednesday, February 18, 2009
 - Tuesday, February 24, 2009

Utilization of School
Facilities

This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Motion by Mr. Scott Rose, seconded by Mr. Duda to approve the following personnel matters:

Personnel Matters

- Mrs. Debra Firestone as SHS Extra Curricular Activities Aide, Level III, Class C position, 2 ¾ hours per day, maximum of 144 days per year at \$9.45 per hour, effective November 17, 2008.
- Ms. Kathleen Awasum as District Wide Special Needs Aide, at Iroquois High School for this year, Level III, Class B position, 5 hours per day, 180 days per year, at \$9.45 per hour, effective November 17, 2008.
- Ms. Elissa Eliason as Campus Wide Cafeteria Aide, Level III, Class C position, 3 hours per day, 180 days per year, at \$9.45 per hour, effective November 11, 2008.
- Mrs. Gina Rullo to attend Success by 6 Symposium, Erie, Friday, November 14, 2008, \$50.00 (Funds from All/Guidance, Grades K-4)

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

The Board discussed the following appointments:

Appointments

- Campus Wide Special Needs Aide for the 2008-2009 school year, Class B position, 7 hours per day, 180 days per year, at \$9.45 per hour, effective November 18, 2008.
- Campus Wide One-to-One Behavioral Aide for the 2008-2009 school year, Class B position, 7 hours per day, 180 days per year, at \$10.88 per hour, effective November 18, 2008.
- Ms. Michelle Earley as Campus Wide Special Needs Aide for the 2008-2009 school year, Level III, Class B position, 7 hours per day, 180 days per year, at \$9.45 per hour, effective November 18, 2008.

This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

The Board discussed the following conference requests:

Conference Requests

- Mr. Chad Porter, Mrs. Jan Pelensky, Mrs. Theresa Himes, Mr. Vincent DiMichele, Mr. Thomas Podpora and Mrs. Sheri Hoffman-HALT – Center of Excellence for Bullying Prevention, Edinboro, Wednesday, December 3, 2008, \$273.00 (Funds from All, Grades K-8).
- Mr. Curt Spicher-AAHPERD National Convention, Tampa, FL, Tuesday, March 31, 2009 through Saturday, April 4, 2009, \$565.00 (Funds from Health & Phys. Ed., Grades 5-8).

This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

The Board discussed additions to the emergency teachers' substitute list. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Additions to the
Emergency Teachers'
Substitute List

The Board discussed adopting a revised Open Records Policy – Policy 1100.2 in order to comply with the Right to Know Act. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Revision of Open
Records Policy

The Board discussed the following student activities requests:

Student Activities
Requests

- Mr. Caspar and up to three SHS Band students, Grades 10-12, to travel to Conneaut Lake High School, Conneaut Lake, PA, Wednesday, January 28, 2009 through Saturday, January 31, 2009, \$875.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts).
- Mr. Caspar and up to two SHS Band students, Grades 10-12, to travel to Saegertown High School, Saegertown, PA, Wednesday, March 4, 2009 through Saturday, March 7, 2009, \$800.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts).
- Mr. Caspar and SHS Band student, Grades 10-12, to travel to Valley Forge, PA, Wednesday, April 22, 2009 through Saturday, April 25, 2009, \$1,500.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts).

This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

The Board discussed the WASD's participation in the Transition Program at the ECTS Skill Center. Cost not to exceed \$14,000.00. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Transition Program at
ECTS

Motion by Mr. Walko, seconded by Mr. Rzepka to approve the following transportation requests:

Transportation
Requests

- Mrs. Jennifer Malec and WAEC Grade 1 student, to travel to Warren Professional Center, Warren, Ohio, for training for a reading recovery teacher, Tuesday, November 18, 2008, \$330.00 (Funds from Title I).
- SHS Academic Sports League, Grades 9-11, to travel to Mercyhurst College, Erie, Saturday, November 15, 2008, \$248.00 (Funds from Academic Sports League Account).

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

The Board discussed the following transportation requests:

- SHS Business Academy students, Grades 11-12, to travel to Gannon University, Erie, Friday, November 21, 2008, \$270.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts).
- SHS Social Skills class, Grades 9-12, to travel to OCY Christmas Party Setup and Golden Corral, Wednesday, December 3, 2008, \$316.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts).
- SHS Academic Sports League, Grades 9-11, to travel to Penn State Behrend for a competition, Saturday, December 6, 2008, \$282.00 (Funds from Academic Sports League Account).
- WAEAC Autistic Support, Grades K-5 students to travel to Dollar Tree, McDonalds and Millcreek Mall, Erie, Tuesday, December 9, 2008, \$90.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- SHS Student Ambassadors, Grade 11-12, to travel to Edinboro University, Edinboro, Wednesday, December 10, 2008, \$145.00 (Funds from Student Activities Account).
- WAEAC Autistic Support, Grades K-5 students to travel to Wendy's and Aldi's, Erie, Friday, December 19, 2008, \$95.00 (Funds from IU 5).
- St. Boniface School, Grade 3-8, to travel to Hirt Theater/Blasco Library, Friday, December 19, 2008, \$135.00 (Funds from St. Boniface School).
- AFJROTC students to travel to Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Friday, December 19, 2008, \$240.00 (Funds from Student Activities Account).
- WAEAC Grade 4 students to travel to Jerry Uht Park, Erie, Wednesday, May 13, 2009, \$940.00 (Funds from PTO).

This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Transportation
Requests

Motion by Mr Watkins, seconded by Mr. Walko to approve the following:

- Athletic/extra curricular resignation of Mr. D. J. Bross as WAMS 7th/8th Grade Wrestling (Intramurals) Coach, effective November 3, 2008.
- Mr. Mike Woods as SHS First Assistant JV Baseball Coach, effective October 28, 2008.

After further discussion, upon motion by Mr Watkins, seconded by Mr. Walko to recind the motion for these resignations. In a recorded roll call vote the following members voted "Yes": Afton, Duda, Rzepka, Thompson, Walko, Watkins and Elwin Rose. Mr. Scott Rose voted "No". Motion carried.

Athletic/Extra
Curricular
Resignations

Motion by Mr Watkins, seconded by Mr. Walko to approve the following:

- Athletic/extra curricular resignation of Mr. D. J. Bross as WAMS 7th/8th Grade Wrestling (Intramurals) Coach, effective November 3, 2008.

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

Athletic/Extra
Curricular
Resignation

The Board discussed the athletic/extra curricular resignation of Mr. Mike Woods as SHS First Assistant JV Baseball Coach, effective October 28, 2008. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Athletic/Extra
Curricular
Resignation

The Board discussed the addition of Mr. David Frank to the game help list for the 2008-2009 school year. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

Additions to the
Game Help List

The Board discussed approving WAMS piano as surplus. This item to be placed on the agenda for November 17, 2008.

WAMS Piano as
Surplus

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen J. Maksimuk". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial 'S'.

Stephen J. Maksimuk
Assistant Secretary