

**MINUTES OF WAPAKONETA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
WAPAKONETA HIGH SCHOOL
Tuesday, June 29, 2021
6:00 PM**

The meeting of the Board of Education of the Wapakoneta City School District was called to order by President Joshua Little.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Brian Cossel
Joshua Little
Ron Mertz
Gregg Ruppert
Willie Sammetinger

Also in attendance were Aaron Rex, Superintendent; Angie Sparks, Treasurer; Mike Watt, Director of Operations, and community members.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joshua Little.

RETIREE RECOGNITION

Mr. Aaron Rex, Superintendent, honored the following retirees with a few remarks. Each was also presented with a retirement gift.

JILL BRIEM - elementary teacher since 1984
KAY DORNER - elementary teacher since 1993
CANDY JACKSON - paraeducator since 1991
JANN KLOPFENSTEIN - elementary teacher since 1986
DEB RANDALL - bus driver since 1991
GAYLE SCHNEIDER - bus driver since 1988

Mr. Ron Mertz, Board Member, indicated that this was a combined 186 years of experience that the District will be losing. He congratulated the retirees and wished them luck.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

Mr. Ron Mertz, Apollo Representative, indicated that not much was happening at Apollo. Their recent meeting addressed several housekeeping items. They hired some new personnel and honored retirees. He also indicated that they purchased two lathe machines. Mr. Aaron Rex

inquired if the purchase was made in order to attract more kids to the program. Mr. Mertz indicated that it was not. The skills trade program graduated the first two classes this year and is full next year. There have been discussions held as to whether they need to find additional instructors to meet the demands.

EDUCATIONAL REPORTS

Mr. Mike Watt, Director of Operations, indicated that the LED project at the Middle School was wrapping up. They are working on the floor installation project at the high school and demoing the women's restroom at the football field. He indicated that the track is complete as well. This was the first time the District worked with the company that resurfaced the track. He was very pleased with them.

Mr. Aaron Rex, Superintendent, also presented a report. His report is attached to the minutes.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

39-21 Member Ron Mertz moved, Member Gregg Ruppert seconded to approve the following items:

Approve minutes from the meeting held May 25, 2021.

Approve monthly financial reports.

Approve the Following FY 21 Permanent Appropriation Modifications:

ESSER II Federal Grant (Fund 507-9222) - (\$9,126.05)

ARP ESSER III Federal Grant (Fund 507-9322) - \$325,332.79

Approve the FY '22 Temporary Appropriations, which are attached to the minutes.

Approval of New Fund

Approve the following new fund: ARP ESSER III Fund (507-9322) - \$325,332.79

Advancement of Funds

Authorize the advance of \$325,332.79 from the General Fund (Fund 001-0000) to the ARP ESSER III Fund (Fund 507-9322).

Rescind Resolution #22-21

Rescind Resolution #22-21 to cancel the sale of a 2005 Kubota Tractor to Jim Bowen, with the tractor being returned and the money refunded.

Approve updates to the following Board Policies:

#1422 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity

#1623 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment

#1662 - Anti-Harassment

#2240 - Controversial Issues

#2260 - Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Education Opportunity

- #2260.01 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability
- #2266 - Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities
- #3122 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity Employment
- #3123 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment
- #3362 - Anti-Harassment
- #4122 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity Employment Opportunity
- #4123 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment
- #4362 - Anti-Harassment
- #5200 – Attendance
- #5517 - Anti-Harassment
- #6114 - Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds
- #6146 - Post-Issuance Compliance for Tax-Exempt and Tax-Advantaged Obligations
- #6325 - Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds
- #6600 - Deposit of Public Funds: Cash Collection Points
- #7440.01 - Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring
- #7450 - Property Inventory
- #7455 - Accounting System for Capital Assets
- #8500 - Food Services
- #8510 - Wellness

2021-22 School Fees

Approve the following school fees for the 2021-22 school year:

- Kindergarten \$10.00
- 1st Grade \$30.00
- 2nd Grade \$55.00
- 3rd Grade \$85.00
- 4th Grade \$85.00
- 5th Grade (no electives) \$69.00
- 5th Grade (with Band) \$76.00
- 6th Grade (no electives) \$68.25
- 6th Grade (with Band OR Choir) \$70.25
- 6th Grade (with Band AND Choir) \$72.25
- 7th Grade (no electives) \$62.00
- 7th Grade (with Band OR Choir) \$64.00
- 7th Grade (with Band AND Choir) \$66.00
- 8th-12 Grades - Varies, depending upon class schedule (copy attached)

School fees for the 2021-22 school year will be due October 15, 2021. This will allow the free/reduced lunch applications to be processed before fees are collected.

Parents/guardians not applying for free/reduced lunches may pay fees prior to the due date. Students who qualify for a reduced lunch will also have their academic fees reduced by 60%. Students who qualify for a free lunch will have their academic fees waived. School fines are not eligible to be reduced or waived.

School Resource Officer

Allow the superintendent to enter into a contract whereby the City of Wapakoneta Police Department will provide a School Resource Officer to the Wapakoneta City Schools for the 2021-22 school year. Total cost for the officer will not exceed \$51,937.48. (copy attached)

ESC Interdistrict Contract

Approve an Interdistrict Contract with the Auglaize County Educational Service Center for the 2021-22 school year. (copy attached)

Property, Liability, and Automobile Insurance

Accept a proposal from Ohio School Plan (through Stolly Insurance Group) to provide property, liability, and automobile insurance for the period of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, for a total premium amount of \$102,235. (copy attached)

Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance of Duty Policy in Lieu of Bond

Authorize the Treasurer to purchase an employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy through the Ohio School Plan to provide coverage for those school officers, employees, or appointees who are otherwise required by law to acquire a surety bond before entering upon the discharge of public duties. (copy attached)

Use of Facilities for Field Experience

Allow students from The Ohio State University at Lima to use Wapakoneta City Schools as a site for their field and clinical experience for the 2021-22 school year. (copy attached)

ACE Academy

Enter into a contract with the Auglaize County Educational (ACE) Academy to provide School-within-a-School services for the 2021-22 school year. (copy attached)

Agreement with Auglaize County ESC

Agree to provide the Auglaize County Educational Service Center with an ED teacher for the 2021-22 school year, with the Auglaize County Educational Service Center paying Wapakoneta City Schools for contracted salary and fringe benefit expenses, at an estimate of \$65,975.83. (copy attached)

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **carried 5 – 0**.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

40-21 Member Willie Sammetinger Moved, Member Ron Mertz seconded to approve the following items:

Accept the following resignations:

CONNIE FERENBAUGH - effective at the end of the 2020-21 school year
ASHLEY SWIGER - effective 6/10/21

Approve the following employee leaves:

MELISSA NOGGLE - 8 weeks beginning approximately 7/6/21

ANDREA ZICKAFOOSE-DAMMEYER - 6 weeks beginning approximately 12/5/21

Employment of Regular Staff

Employ the following on a one-year limited contract for the 2021-22 school year:

DAWN REINHART - Cafeteria Worker - Step 1 - 2.75 hours per day - salary to be determined upon completion of WCA negotiations

Employment of New Teachers

Employ the following teachers for the 2021-22 school year on a one-year limited contract, pending receipt and verification of all required documents:

- MACKENZIE BINKLEY-COPELAND - Kindergarten Intervention Specialist at Wapakoneta Elementary School - Bachelors Degree - Step 0 - \$40,994
- LINDSAY FISHER - Preschool Intervention Specialist at Cridersville Elementary School - Masters Degree - Step 8 - \$62,803
- KIMBERLY SUSANNE GOOD - 2nd Grade Teacher at Wapakoneta Elementary School - Bachelors Degree - Step 4 - \$48,209
- ASHLEY McELROY - 3rd Grade Intervention Specialist at Wapakoneta Elementary School - Masters Degree - Step 9 - \$65,016
- ALYSSA RIDINGER - 1/2 Preschool Teacher/1/2 ETR at Wapakoneta Elementary School - Bachelors Degree - Step 0 - \$40,994
- LINDSEY WOEHRMYER - Preschool Intervention Specialist at Wapakoneta Elementary School - Masters + 30 - Step 10 - \$69,391

Employment of Tutors

Employ the following as tutors for the 2021-22 school year, on an as-needed basis, at the rate of \$20 per hour:

EMILY DEFFENBAUGH

CHRISTINE HIBNER

Employ the following on supplemental contracts for the 2021-22 school year:

MARK KOCH - Athletic Supervisor - Step 4 - \$7,993.83

KEVIN ALLWINE - Middle School Football Ratio (1/2) - Step 2 - \$1,045.35

JACOB KITZMILLER - Middle School Football Ratio (1/2) - Step 4 - \$1,352.80

ADAM WARNER - Assistant Swim Coach - Step 4 - \$3,607.47

NICK TRUESDALE - Summer Weight Room Coordinator (1/2) - Step 4 - \$942.86

RUSTY ALLEN - Summer Weight Room Ratio (1/2) - Step 4 - \$942.86

MARSHALL GERLACH - Summer Weight Room Ratio - Step 1 - \$983.86

SUMMER GRINER - Head Boys Cross Country - Step 1 - \$4,919.28

JOHN JOHNS - Middle School Cross Country Ratio - Step 4 - \$2,705.60

Employ the following on supplemental contracts for the 2021-22 school year:

ERIKA ELEY - Power of the Pen - Step 4 - \$2,705.60
KARA SCHNEIDER - 7th/8th Grade Quiz Bowl - Step 4 - \$1,885.72
ADAM FRIEMERING - Academic Team - Step 4 - \$2,500.63
DELYNN EPPERLY - Gatekeepers (1/2) - Step 4 - \$942.86
JENNIFER ZWIEBEL - Gatekeepers (1/2) - Step 4 - \$942.86
KIM MULLEN - Washington, D.C. Coordinator - Step 4 - \$1,885.72
LISA ROMER - French Club - Step 4 - \$2,500.63
KIM SELVEY - Spanish Club (1/2) - Step 4 - \$1,250.32
AMANDA WEHRMAN - Spanish Club (1/2) - Step 4 - \$1,250.32
MARISSA LEWIS - Musical (Senior High) - Step 4 - \$3,607.47
MARISSA LEWIS - Show Choir (High School) - Step 4 - \$5,985.12
MARISSA LEWIS - Redskin Revue - Step 4 - \$1,885.72
STEVE WIMMERS - Drumline - Step 4 - \$3,607.47
AARON WHEELER - Winter Drumline Ratio Coach - Step 4 - \$2,705.60
STEVE WIMMERS - Instrumental Music (High School) - Step 4 - \$7,993.83
COLIN HEADINGS - Asst. Instrumental Music Director - Step 1 - \$4,919.28
STEVE WIMMERS - Instrumental Music (Middle School) (1/2) - Step 4 - \$2,398.15
COLIN HEADINGS - Instrumental Music (Middle School) (1/2) - Step 1 - \$1,844.73
AARON WHEELER - Marching Band Ratio Coach - Step 4 - \$2,705.60
ADAM FRIEMERING - National Honor Society (1/2) - Step 4 - \$1,250.32
JEREMY DICKEY - National Honor Society (1/2) - Step 4 - \$1,250.32
GRAHAM FENNELL - Robotics Club Advisor - Step 4 - \$3,607.47
KATHAN KOELLER - Robotics Club Asst. Advisor - Step 4 - \$2,705.60
TRACY CORBIT - Freshman Class Advisor (1/2) - Step 4 - \$942.86
KARA SEXTRO - Freshman Class Advisor (1/2) - Step 4 - \$942.86
JULIE COURTER - Student Senate - Step 4 - \$3,607.47
HEIDI LAMARR - Yearbook Advisor - Step 4 - \$7,993.83
JASON JOHNSON - Yearbook Business Manager - Step 4 - \$2,705.60

Approve the following volunteers for the 2021-22 school year:

MICHAEL CONLEY
PAUL ECKERT
BRIAN GRIM
ERIN GRIM
GERHARD HOFER
D'ALAN SEYER
ASHLEY SHROYER
JENNIFER WILLISON

2021-22 Extended Service Contracts:

RON BROWN - Vocational Agriculture - 33 days
ELISE MINICK - Psychologist - 18 days
JANET KISTER - Psychologist - 18 days
BARB RHINEHART - Psychologist - 18 days
DeLYNN EPPERLY - Guidance Counselor - 20 days
KRISTI FISHER - Guidance Counselor - 20 days

MARK KOCH - Guidance Counselor - 20 days
KIM METZ - Guidance Counselor - 20 days
LAURA MEARS - Guidance Counselor - 16 days
JULIE COURTER - Website Maintenance - 5 days

Employ the following Instructional Staff Members for the summer of 2021 at the rate of \$115 per day:

HANNAH ANDERSON
CARRIE BRAUN
KAITLYNN DAVIS
ABBIGAYLE GESLER
TESSA GULLETTE
BARB LOVETT
TRACEY OTTO
CORRINE RANEY

Employ the following Instructional Student Interns for the summer of 2021 at the rate of \$12 per hour:

HAILEY BOYSEL
AMANA KOELLER
SUMMER KUEHL
MADISON SAAM
DYLAN WIERWILLE
MARCI ZWIEBEL

Employment of Summer School Tutor

Approve the employment of CARY FELL WENNING as a Summer School Tutor for the summer of 2021, on an as-needed basis, at the rate of \$20 per hour.

Employment of Summer School Substitutes

Approve employment of the following Summer School Substitutes for the summer of 2021, on an as-needed basis, at the rate of \$115 per day:

AMBER JOHNS
TRACEY OTTO

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **carried 5 – 0**.

ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL ITEMS

41-21 Member Ron Mertz moved, Member Brian Cossel seconded to approve the following item:

2021-22 Extended Service Contract:

CRAIG SAMMETINGER - Vocational Agriculture - 33 days

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **carried 4-0-1** with Willie Sammetinger abstaining.

42-21 Member Willie Sammetinger moved, Member Gregg Ruppert seconded to approve the following item:

Employ the following on supplemental contracts for the 2021-22 school year:

KIM MERTZ - Flag Corps - Step 4 - \$3,607.47; KIM MERTZ - Winter Flagline - Step 4 - \$2,705.60

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **carried 4 – 0-1** with Ron Mertz abstaining.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the Board Office, 1102 Gardenia Drive, Wapakoneta.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

43-21 Member Willie Sammetinger moved, Member Ron Mertz seconded to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:26 p.m. for the following purpose: appointment or employment of public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing; with no action to be taken.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **carried 5 – 0**.

ADJOURNMENT

44-21 Member Ron Mertz moved, Member Willie Sammetinger seconded to exit executive session and adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **carried 5 – 0**.

President

Secretary