

**MINUTES OF WAPAKONETA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR SESSION  
WAPAKONETA HIGH SCHOOL  
Tuesday, May 11, 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; administrators, and community members.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joshua Little.

**REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

Mr. Aaron Rex, Superintendent, presented a report to the Board, which can be found attached to the minutes.

**REPORTS FROM THE BOARD**

Mr. Ron Mertz informed the Board that Apollo got hit with ransomware. They are working with the insurance company, the government, and the IT Center to get them back online. There is no technology to staff or students.

**ROUTINE BUSINESS**

**30-21** Member Ron Mertz moved, Member Brian Cossel seconded to approve the following items:

**Approve minutes** from the meeting held April 27, 2021.

**Approval of 2021-22 Student Handbooks**

Approve the student handbook for the 2021-22 school year for Wapakoneta High School.

**Academics/Curriculum**

Adopt the 10th Grade Career Planning Curriculum Map for the 2021-22 school year. (copy attached)

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

**PERSONNEL MATTERS**

**31-21** Member Gregg Ruppert moved, Member Willie Sammetinger seconded to approve the following items:

**Approve the following employee leave:**

LORI MORRIS - 4/23/21 through 4/30/21

**Employment of Tutor:**

Approve the employment of DIANE SCHLOSSER as a Tutor for the 2020-21 school year, on an as-needed basis, at the rate of \$20 per hour.

**Employment of New Teachers:**

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

- CHRISTINE BAILEY - 8th Grade English at Wapakoneta High School - Bachelors Degree - Step 4 - \$48,209
- ASHLEY SWIGER - Half-Time Preschool Intervention Specialist at Wapakoneta Elementary School - Masters Degree - Step 0 - \$22,546.50

**Employment of Substitutes**

Employ the following substitute for the 2020-21 school year, pending satisfactory completion of criminal records checks:

ASHLEY SWIGER - Paraeducator

**Employ the following summer school workers for the summer of 2021:**

JASON BRANDT - Summer School Supervisor - \$135 per day

CORI FIELDS - Summer School Supervisor - \$135 per day

SUSAN HARROD - Summer School Supervisor - \$135 per day

ALEXANDRA HARROD - Summer Fun Manager - \$75 per day

SAM HARROD - Summer Fun Manager - \$75 per day

KRISTINA MESSER-POHL - Summer Fun Manager - \$75 per day

AMANDA STEINKE - Summer Fun Manager - \$75 per day

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

CHERI BRANDT

KAYLA CRAWFORD

EMMA DAVIS

KATIE DIETRICH

SUMMER DOUGLASS

LAURA FOLGER

LINDSAY FRALEY

LAURA GABEL

AIMEE GESLER

SUMMER GRINER

BRITTENY HENDRICKSON

DACODA HINEGARDNER

EMILY KROGMAN

HEIDI LAMARR

KELLY MAURER

BETHANY MCGAUGHY

CAL MILLER

TARYN NEWMAN

ALYSSA RIDINGER

TERESA RIFFLE

ABBIGAIL RUPPERT

ALYSSA RUPPERT

PAULA SAWMILLER

DIANA SCHNEIDER

HANNAH SCHWIETERMAN

ASHLEY SHROYER

CAROLYN SHROYER

MICHELLE SUDMAN

JANIS YINGER

ANDREA ZWIEBEL

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

NIKANE AMBOS  
BRIANNE BALLENGER  
EMILY BRAUN  
ALYSSA GOOD  
EMILY HENDRICKSON  
EMMA HORNER  
ZOE JOHNS  
DELANEY JORDAN  
MIRANDA KIRKPATRICK  
GABRIELLA LARSCHIED

AUTUMN LININGER  
KALIE MILLER  
CASEY MINNIG  
ADDISYN NEWMAN  
ISABELLE ROBY  
ELIZABETH SCHROER  
JOSLYN TAYLOR  
TIANNA THOMPSON  
ALAYNA WELCH

Mr. Rex explained that Christine Bailey was being hired to replace a teacher at the high school that has accepted a job elsewhere and that Ashley Swiger will be filling in for the half-time preschool teacher vacancy that is due to one of the current preschool teachers requesting to go part-time.

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

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**32-21** Member Willie Sammetinger moved, Member Ron Mertz seconded to approve the following item:

**District Contracts/Agreements**

Retention of Legal Services Related to the Economic Effect of Proposed Solar Farms in Auglaize and Allen Counties - Approve an agreement to engage the assistance of a professional third party to evaluate the alternative tax treatments possible under the proposed solar farm project.

Mr. Rex explained that this agreement is between the District, Allen County, Auglaize County, Shawnee LSD, and Apollo. The firm is being retained to determine what route to take when it comes to collecting tax revenues or accepting the PILOT. The majority of this project is in Allen County, but there are additional solar projects that have expressed interest within the District.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 25, at 7:00 p.m. at Wapakoneta High School.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**33-21** Member Brian Cossel moved, Member Gregg Ruppert seconded to approve to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 pm.

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

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President

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Secretary