

NORTHERN WELLS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
EXECUTIVE SESSION & REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2018
4:30 & 5:30 P.M.

Executive Session

Public notice of the date, time, place and specific reference to the enumerated instance for which the executive session was held had been previously posted according to statute on March 29, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. local time.

Scott Elzey called to order the executive session of the Board of School Trustees. Present at the meeting were Scott Elzey, President; Angie Topp, Secretary; Peggy Eschenbacher, Member; and Superintendent Mills.

We hereby certify that the Board met in executive session for the following purpose in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b):

For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems.

For discussion of records classified as confidential by state or federal statute.

We further certify that no subject matter other than the subject specified in the public notice was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned and moved into regular session.

Public Comment

Scott Elzey asked if there was anyone present who wished to make a comment to the Board. No comments were made.

Call to Order

Public notice of the date, time and place of the Board meeting had been previously posted according to statute on Thursday, March 29, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. local time.

Scott Elzey called to order the regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees. Present at the meeting were Scott Elzey, President; Angie Topp, Secretary; Peggy Eschenbacher, Member; Superintendent Scott Mills; and guests.

NOTE: All actions of the Board were duly moved, seconded and adopted upon unanimous vote of the Board, and without dissenting vote or abstention, unless otherwise stated.

Approval of the Minutes

Superintendent Mills recommended approval of the minutes of the executive session and regular board meeting of March 13, 2018. Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the minutes as presented.

Approval of Claims

Superintendent Mills asked if there were any questions concerning the claims. Following review by the Board and responses posed, the Board approved the claims as presented.

General Fund	29,100.06
2017-18 Prf. Development	138.60
Capital Projects Control	54,788.05
CPF Emergency Repair	1,090.00
Transportation – Operating	349.89
Food Services Fund	5,272.09
Textbook Rental	-\$11.00
Title I, 2017-18 School Year	162.18

Personnel

Superintendent Mills presented the following personnel items and donations.

Resignations:

Carey Dummer – NHS Teaching Assistant

Recommendations:

Haley Macciomei – NHS Teaching Assistant

Theresa Delaney – NHS Teaching Assistant

Mitchell Wilson – NHS Boys Tennis Head Coach

Ben Goodin – NHS Girls Head Volleyball Coach

Leave:

Shawnee Vance – Leave of Absence

Donations:

OES Library Donations

\$10 – Chris & Martha Nordlin

\$20 – Mary Hughes

\$25 Anonymous

\$100 – Rhonda Clark

Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the personnel items and donations as presented. (See Attached)

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mills reported that today is the first day of school after spring break and after today there are only 38 days of school left, the last day of school is Friday, May 25th. Mills shared that due to being able to use eLearning the district is not having to extend the school days into June. Mills also noted that the IDOE has approved eLearning for the next year that can be used for professional development days. Mills shared that he would bring a recommendation to the Board at the next meeting to utilize September 19th, 2018 as an ELearning day for students and Professional Development day for staff. Secretary, Angie Topp said that she had mixed feelings about eLearning days at first but the last couple of eLearning days have gone smoothly.

The next Board meeting will be April 17th at Norwell High School.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the School Board meeting was adjourned.

Scott Elzey, President

Donna Spear, Vice-President

Angie Topp, Secretary

Gene Donaghy, Member

Peggy Eschenbacher, Member

NORTHERN WELLS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING TUESDAY APRIL 17, 2018 & EXECUTIVE
SESSIONS TUESDAY APRIL 17, 2018 @ 6:00 PM, WEDNESDAY APRIL 18, 2018 @ 4:30
PM, AND THURSDAY APRIL 19, 2018 @ 4:30 PM.
NORWELL HIGH SCHOOL AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Executive Sessions

Public notice of the date, time, place and specific reference to the enumerated instance for which the executive sessions were held had been previously posted according to statute on April 12, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. local time.

We hereby certify that the Board met in executive session on April 17, 2018 at 6:00 PM at Norwell High School in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b) to receive information about and interview prospective employees. Present at the meeting were Scott Elzey, President; Donna Spear, Vice-President; Angie Topp, Secretary; Gene Donaghy, Member; Peggy Eschenbacher, Member; and Superintendent Mills.

We hereby certify that the Board met in executive session on April 18, 2018 at 4:30 PM at Central Office in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b) to receive information about and interview prospective employees. Present at the meeting were Donna Spear, Vice-President; Angie Topp, Secretary; Gene Donaghy, Member; Peggy Eschenbacher, Member; and Superintendent Mills.

We hereby certify that the Board met in executive session on April 19, 2018 at 4:30 PM at Central Office in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b) to receive information about and interview prospective employees. Present at the meeting were Scott Elzey, President; Donna Spear, Vice-President; Angie Topp, Secretary; Gene Donaghy, Member; Peggy Eschenbacher, Member; and Superintendent Mills.

We further certify that no subject matter other than the subject specified in the public notice was discussed.

The regular meeting on April 17th preceded the executive session.

Public Comment

Scott Elzey asked if there was anyone present who wished to make a comment to the Board. No comments were made.

Call to Order

Public notice of the date, time and place of the Board meeting had been previously posted according to statute on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. local time.

Scott Elzey called to order the regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees. Present at the meeting were Scott Elzey, President; Donna Spear, Vice-President; Angie Topp, Secretary; Gene Donaghy, Member; Peggy Eschenbacher, Member; Superintendent Scott Mills; and guests.

NOTE: All actions of the Board were duly moved, seconded and adopted upon unanimous vote of the Board, and without dissenting vote or abstention, unless otherwise stated.

Approval of the Minutes

Superintendent Mills recommended approval of the minutes of the executive session and regular meeting of April 3, 2018. Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the minutes as presented.

Approval of Claims

Superintendent Mills asked if there were any questions concerning the claims. Following review by the Board and responses posed, the Board approved the claims as presented.

General Fund	22,227.27
Capital Projects Control	168,387.59
Transportation – Operating	44,107.10
Food Services Fund	20,863.01
Schl Lunch/Brfst Donation Yoder	373.65
Youth for Resources	40.58
High Ability 18	153.79
Non-English Speaking Program	116.38
State Connectivity	1,656.00

Personnel

Superintendent Mills presented the following personnel items and donation.

Resignations:

Rachel Niermeyer – NHS Cheerleading Co-Coach

Recommendations:

Ian Kissell – NHS Volunteer Assistant Boys Basketball Coach

Teresa Gerwig – LES Food Service Manager

Leave:

Kristin Prater

Donations:

NHS – Aetna Foundation \$213.82 for students

NHS – Joe Smekens Memorial \$315 for athletics

Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the personnel items and donations as presented. (See Attached)

Overnight Trip Request

Superintendent Mills recommended that the Board approve an overnight trip for NHS Animal Science class May 4-5, 2018 to Fair Oaks, Indiana. Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the trip as presented. (See Attached)

eLearning Day/Professional Development

Superintendent Mills recommended that the Board approve September 19, 2018 as an eLearning Day for students and as a Professional Development day for teachers. Mills shared that the professional development for teachers would include a Language Arts specialist for Lancaster and Ossian Elementary Schools. High School and Middle School would participate for part of the day in professional development activities that have not yet been fully determined. Students would participate in eLearning on that day, teachers would be available for students approximately half of the day, and that the day was picked for the greatest opportunity for positive impact with professional development. Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the eLearning Day as presented. (See Attached)

Summer School Teaching Positions

Superintendent Mills recommended posting thirteen elementary summer school teaching positions for the Title 1 Summer School program and IREAD-3 reading remediation. These positions are funded by Title I. Mills also recommended two high school summer school positions. Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the summer school positions as recommended. (See Attached)

HPS Agreement for Food Service

Superintendent Mills recommended approval of the HPS agreement for food service purchasing from Gordon's Foods. For further explanation, Secretary Angie Topp read an email that Marcia Miller sent explaining the agreement, it is as follows, "HPS is a group purchasing organization that serves the needs of hospitals, senior living facilities and schools. Right now Gordon Foodservice, which NWCS purchases all its groceries from, was awarded the food distributor for HPS. In years past we have not had to get board approval to go with HPS but things have changed for next school year. That is why you are seeing it on the agenda. Let me know if you have any other questions." Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the agreement as recommended. (See Attached)

Driver Education Increase

Superintendent Mills recommended an increase cost for Driver Education. Mills stated due to the increasing costs in leasing vehicles the fee would change from \$325 to \$380 for students in NWCS and from \$365 to \$420 for students living outside of our district, an additional

cost of \$15 for taking the drive test would be paid at the time of the test. Students requesting only to use the program to complete the 6 hours of driving, and not the on-line classroom portion, would be charged \$305. Mills noted that there has not been an increase since 2008. Member Gene Donaghy asked if the cost would be reviewed annually. Mills stated that would depend on the amount of students using it and the increase cost would take effect in August 2018. Following review by the Board and responses to questions posed, the Board approved the increase as recommended. (See Attached)

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Mills reported that the Strategic Planning meeting will be April 23rd at 6:30 p.m. and they will be focusing in the next steps for the upcoming year.

Mills shared that the LES reunification drill on April 13th went well and nearly 300 kids were reunified at NMS in less than 2 hrs. Mills noted that the drill was to replicate a crisis situation and that Northern Wells schools will continue to work on improvements also.

Mills thanked those who were present for coming and the students who represented the Norwell HS Dance Marathon in raising almost \$12,000 for Riley Hospital for Children.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the School Board meeting was adjourned.

Scott Elzey, President

Donna Spear, Vice-President

Angie Topp, Secretary

Gene Donaghy, Member

Peggy Eschenbacher, Member