

Wainscott Common School

BOT Meeting Minutes- Wednesday, December 18, 2024 5:30 p.m.

Present:

Board President, David Eagan, Board members, William Babinski Jr. and Kelly Anderson, Business Manager, Wendy Duffy. Superintendent, Deborah Haab, District Clerk, Norma Bushman, Lead Teacher, Kelly Yusko.

I. Purpose & Review

- Welcome / Pledge of Allegiance – Board President, David Eagan. -Meeting called to order at 5:35pm
- Acceptance of Board Minutes – Wednesday, November 20, 2024 -see below
- Superintendent’s Report – Mrs. Deborah Haab -Deborah thanked the staff and praised our Music and Art teachers for their amazing job with the children’s Holiday concert today. The concert was well attended and the holiday decorations will be hung in the Post Office this week. Deborah shared the 3d printer project and reviewed her survey report. She expressed how 54% of the children related to families surveyed had never experienced the Wainscott School. Increasing Pre-K to a full day and working on an after school program for the district was also discussed. Deborah will reach out to The BH childcare Center and the school for possible collaborations for next year.
- Business Manager Report – Mrs. Wendy Duffy- Wendy discussed the cash flow and will be making a few payments Mid January after the Tax Levy funds are in. She also spoke about borrowing from the Capital Reserve fund and then replacing it in January as well.
- Teachers Report- from Kelly Yusko- Kelly reviewed Parent-Teacher Conferences. All grades had a good turn out and it was a great opportunity to discuss goals and review report cards. Kelly discussed our field trip to Guild Hall, where the kids had a great time and enjoyed finding their art teachers' work on display. At the Library the students explored the differences and similarities in holiday themed books. The teachers have been preparing the student’s for our Polar Express Movie, Popcorn and Pajama day by exploring the meaning of the movie while the 4th graders have been busy writing alternate endings as a writing project. Kelly thanked our parents for doing a holiday cookie craft with the kids and wished the board Happy Holidays.
- Public Comments – *Agenda Items Only*- None

- Discussion Items - 4th Grade Bussers

An inquiry was made by our parents about allowing the 4th grade students to walk home from the bus stop unsupervised. This practice is done in our feeder districts and acceptable upon our approval by the Transportation Company. This was met favorably by the board as long as a parent letter is sent out to our fourth graders with parental consent. Another topic that was discussed was the acknowledgement of the repair bill from Hydrolawn Irrigation which is owned by one of our staff members.

II. Resolutions

- A. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the Regular BOT Meeting held on November 20, 2024. ***Motioned by William Babinski, Second by Kelly Anderson, Passed and Carried***
- B. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the Disbursement Report –November 2024. ***Motioned by William Babinski, Second by Kelly Anderson, Passed and Carried***
- C. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees, acknowledges receipt of the Audit Trail –November 2024. ***Motioned by William Babinski, Second by Kelly Anderson, Passed and Carried***
- D. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve Shannon Nunez as a one-on-one Teacher for the interim period of 10/21/24-10/31/24 for 2 hrs daily at a rate of \$200.00 per hour. ***Tabled.***
- E. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve Cardinal Control Systems, Inc. proposal for \$20,340.00 to upgrade/replace the Current BMS for heating and cooling ***Motioned by William Babinski, Second by Kelly Anderson, Passed and Carried***

III. Closing

- Public Comments- none
- Executive Session - ***Approved by William Babinski, Second by Kelly Anderson in reference to Item D.***
- Next Meeting- Wednesday, January 15 at 5:30pm
- Open meeting Adjourned-6:15 pm Executive Session ended 7:05

Respectfully submitted by Norma Bushman , District Clerk