

WADSWORTH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

WADSWORTH, OHIO

REGULAR STATED MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020, 7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Motion for Approval and Signing of Special and Emergency Meeting Minutes**
- V. Student/Staff Recognition**

A. December Students of the Month

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>School</u>
Kennedy Hewit	04	Franklin Elementary School
Lexie Dawson	04	Isham Elementary School
Carson Starkey	04	Lincoln Elementary School
Claire Shipley	04	Overlook Elementary School
Brooklynn Bemiller	04	Valley View Elementary School
Andrea Derr	05	Central Intermediate School
Danerise Viljoen	08	Wadsworth Middle School
Kyleigh Smith	12	WHS Career-Technical
Jessica Reber	12	Wadsworth High School

B. Adam Innocenti, School Resource Officer

VI. Administrative Discussion Items, Presentations, and Updates

- A. Discussion: Indicators and Timeline to Return Students to Wadsworth High School
- B. Diversity and Inclusion Committee Meeting
- C. Varsity Boys' Soccer National Team Academic Award
- D. Free/Reduced Lunch Application

VII. Administrative Items

A. PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS

1. Resignations

- a) Tabatha Kosier, Non-Teaching Employee, eff. 11/14/2020

2. Employments

- a) Jennifer Thomas, Special Education Coordinator, eff. 1/4/2021
- b) Anna West, Certified Substitute
- c) Karen Moore, Certified Substitute
- d) Kris Myers, Athletic Contest Worker, eff. 11/24/2020
- e) Seth Freed, Speech and Debate Judge, eff. 10/31/2020
- f) Supplemental Contracts:
 - (1) Kimberly Crookston, Reserve Softball Coach, eff. 11/14/2020
 - (2) Brett Smith, Volunteer Varsity Boys Basketball Asst. Coach, eff. 11/11/2020
 - (3) Trish Swanson, HS Business Dept. Head, eff. 10/19/2020 (prorated)
 - (4) Mark Rittenour, National Forensic Asst.Coach/All Events, eff. 1/4/2021 (prorated)
 - (5) Laura Boyert, WMS Special Ed. Dept. Head, eff. 1/4/2021 (prorated)
- g) Graycn Loper, Certified Substitute

- 3. Recommendation to approve the unpaid leave of Ms. Melanie Schneider from 12/4/2020 through 12/21/2020

- 4. Recommendation to grant unpaid leave under FMLA to Johanna Corbin, from the end of her allowable sick leave through March 23, 2021

B. ACTION CONSENT ITEMS

- 1. Recommendation to approve the agreements with the Galaxy Restaurant for dates in February, March, April, and May 2021
- 2. Recommendation to waive a first reading and approve revised Wadsworth City School District Board of Education Policy 5200, Attendance
- 3. Recommendation to declare all employee evaluations, with the exception of the superintendent's, the treasurer's, and the transportation supervisor's, impracticable for the 2020-2021 school year

4. Recommendation to approve the Wadsworth City School District 2021-2025 Strategic Plan
5. Recommendation to approve the Agreement between the Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology “NEOnet” and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education for Equal Level Community Marketplace Services for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023, effective November 19, 2020
6. Recommendation to approve the Form Publisher Terms of Use between Awesome Gapps Sarl and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education
7. Recommendation to approve the Resolution to Approve Contingency Fee Agreement and Authorize Litigation
8. Recommendation to approve the Attorney-Client Contingency Fee Agreement
9. Recommendation to rename the following Wadsworth High School courses, beginning in the 2021-2022 school year:
 - a) Honors Analysis, renamed Honors Pre-Calculus
 - b) Honors Algebra II/Trig, renamed Honors Algebra II
10. Recommendation to add the following courses at Wadsworth High School, beginning in the 2021-2022 school year:
 - a) Honors Algebra II/Trig with Limits
 - b) Earth Science I
 - c) Earth Science II
11. Recommendation to approve the School District IEE/Consultation Agreement with Meghan Barlow and Associates, effective December 3, 2020
12. Recommendation to approve the Agreement for Admission for Tuition Pupils Pursuant to Sections 3327.04, 3327.06, 3323.14, and 3317.08 O.R.C. with the Norton Board of Education
13. Recommendation to approve the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Consortium for Rosetta Stone for the period of January 4, 2021 through December 31, 2021
14. Recommendation to approve the API Terms and Conditions
15. Recommendation to approve the Educational Service Center Funds Election of Disbursement

C. Personnel Item

1. Resignations

- a) Jennifer Thomas, Certified Teacher, eff. 1/4/2021
- b) Jennifer Thomas, WMS Special Ed. Dept. Head (supplemental contract), eff. 1/4/2021

VIII. Items of the Treasurer

A. ACTION CONSENT ITEMS

- 1. Announcement that the school district's total assessed valuation for calendar year 2020 increased 2.3% to a total of \$876,881,210
- 2. Recommendation for the board of education to renew its membership in the Ohio School Boards Association for calendar year 2021
- 3. Call for the 2021 organizational meeting of the Wadsworth City Board of Education to be held January xx, 2021, at 7 p.m., in the Charles R. Parsons Administration Building via Google Meet and to appoint Julie Batey as president pro tem to open the meeting
- 4. Recommendation to accept the November financial reports as presented and subject to audit:
 - a. Appropriation Summary Report
 - b. Revenue Summary Report
 - c. Cash Summary Report
 - d. Monthly Financial Update Report
- 5. Recommendation to appoint James McMahan as a Wadsworth Public Library trustee, whose term would begin in January 2021 and end December 31, 2027

IX. Legislative Update

X. Floor Items

XI. Board Member Items

XII. Executive Session

WHEREAS, a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

- A. To consider one or more, as applicable, of the check marked items with respect to a public employee or official:

1. Appointment

2. Employment ✓
 3. Dismissal
 4. Discipline
 5. Promotion
 6. Demotion
 7. Compensation
 8. Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested)
- B. To consider the purchase of property for the public purposes or for the sale of property at competitive bidding
 - C. Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action
 - D. Preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.
 - E. Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes
 - F. Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoiding prosecution for a violation of the law

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wadsworth City Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on A2 and E as listed above.

XIII. Adjournment

In accordance with State and Federal law, the District will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities who wish to attend and/or participate in school events. Such individuals should notify the Superintendent if they require a reasonable accommodation.

**WADSWORTH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Stated Meeting
December 14, 2020**

Agenda Detail Sheet

VI. Administrative Discussion Items, Presentations, and Updates

- B. Diversity and Inclusion Committee Meeting:** The Wadsworth City School District Diversity and Inclusion Committee will meet on Tuesday, December 15 at 4:00 p.m. via Google Meet (see meeting access information below). Information on the committee can be found by clicking [here](#).

To join the meeting via video, click the following link:

<https://meet.google.com/usb-mvat-mpp?authuser=0>

To join the meeting via telephone, call the following number:

+1 646-694-2634
PIN: 313 793 504#

- C. Varsity Boys' Soccer National Team Academic Award:** Congratulations to the the 2019 Wadsworth High School varsity boys' soccer team on earning the National Team Academic Award from the United States Soccer Coaches Association. The United States Coaches Association waits until the end of the entire school year to calculate the grade point average (GPA) for the team to determine who receives the National Team Academic Award. Any team that has a 3.25 GPA or higher receives the award. Our 2019 team has a 3.78 GPA. This is our fifteenth national award and ninth consecutive. Congratulations to Coach John Johnson and our team on their success!
- D. Free/Reduced Breakfast/Lunch Application:** Even though all students are eligible for free breakfast and lunch this school year, there is still a need for families that believe they qualify for free/reduced breakfast/lunch to fill out an application, as in years past. The reason for this is our distribution of federal Title 1 dollars to buildings within our school district, which helps pay for certain teachers and tutors, is based upon the free/reduced breakfast/lunch percentage in each building compared to our overall district-wide percentage. A reduction in a building's percentage may lead to the building becoming ineligible for Title 1 funds. If you are not familiar with the federal breakfast/lunch program, there are specific guidelines a family has to meet to qualify for free/reduced breakfast/lunch. If you believe your family may qualify and you have not submitted an application for this school year, you are asked to please submit an application. Applications can be found by clicking [here](#). In addition, families who qualify for free breakfast/lunch also qualify for the waiver of certain instructional fees, per Ohio Revised Code and [Wadsworth City School District Board of Education policy 6152.01, Waiver of School Fees for Instructional Materials](#).

VII. Administrative Items

A. PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS

2. Employments

- a) **Jennifer Thomas:** Mrs. Thomas is being recommended for the new Coordinator of Special Education position approved by our board of education on October 26, 2020. The Coordinator of Special Education position is necessary within our Department of Student Services. Over the last ten (10) years, the number of students in our school district with an identified learning disability has grown by over one hundred (100) while the staffing within the special education department has grown exponentially to meet the needs of our students. During this same period of time, the positions within our Department of Student Services, the department that provides support to teachers, support staff, students and parent/guardian(s) and monitors compliance of state and federal rules, have remained the same (two [2] positions). As laws in Ohio have changed and scholarship programs (The Jon Peterson Scholarship Program and The Autism Scholarship Program) for students with an identified learning disability have been created, one (1) of the positions within the department has focused a lot of time on meeting the public school requirements found in Ohio Revised Code for the scholarship students, creating a larger need in the department to provide support to our teachers, support staff, students and parent/guardian(s) while working to keep our programs compliant with state and federal laws. While the timing is not ideal to add a new position, we have determined that the position is necessary and that we can no longer wait.

B. ACTION CONSENT ITEMS

1. **Galaxy Restaurant Agreements:** The Galaxy Restaurant agreements being recommended for approval will allow us to utilize the Galaxy for state-required testing of students in Wadsworth Wired in February, March, April, and May, as we did previously this fall.
2. **Policy 5200 (Attendance):** The policy being recommended to waive a first reading and formally approve is necessary to align our policy with provisions that relate to remote learning and student quarantine/isolation.
3. **Employee Evaluations:** The recommendation to declare all employee evaluations, with the exception of the superintendent's, the treasurer's, and the transportation supervisor's, impracticable to complete for the 2020-2021 school year is permitted by recent changes in Ohio Revised Code through House Bill 404. The elimination of evaluations for the current school year will allow our employees to focus on other items that have a greater priority as we continue to adjust to time constraints presented by the pandemic.
4. **Wadsworth City School District 2021-2025 Strategic Plan:** The Wadsworth City School District 2021-2015 Strategic Plan being recommended for approval incorporates minor revisions that resulted from the public feedback opportunity that ended on November 27, 2020.

- 5. Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology (NEOnet) Agreement:**
The Agreement between the Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology “NEOnet” and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education for Equal Level Community Marketplace Services for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023, effective November 19, 2020, being recommended for approval will allow our school district to participate in the equal level community marketplace. Wadsworth was asked by NEOnet to be the pilot district to implement the Equal Level Marketplace with the new accounting software, and NEOnet is paying for the implementation and first-year costs of the program. The marketplace will streamline our ordering process and provide access to the NEOnet marketplace that includes many of the vendors we currently use. In addition, utilizing the marketplace will provide access to discounted pricing, the ability to search for products across multiple vendors, and streamline the ordering processes. Think of it as an Amazon for education.
- 6. Form Publisher Terms of Use (Awesome Gapps Sarl):** The Form Publisher Terms of Use between Awesome Gapps Sarl and the Wadsworth City School District Board of Education being recommended for approval will allow our school district to purchase the Awesome Gapps program which will be utilized by our Response to Intervention teams. Awesome Gapps is a company that has created some very useful add-ons for Google Forms and Google mail. They add additional functionality that is not possible with any other Chrome extension, app, or Google tool. At its core, it offers automation in form generation and mail merge functionality within Gmail.
- 7. Resolution to Approve Contingency Fee Agreement and Authorize Litigation:**
The Resolution to Approve Contingency Fee Agreement and Authorize Litigation being recommended for approval will allow our school district to join a mass-action lawsuit against JUUL Labs, Inc.
- 8. Attorney-Client Contingency Fee Agreement:** The Attorney-Client Contingency Fee Agreement being recommended for approval details the arrangement for the mass-action lawsuit described in number seven (7) above.
- 9. Renaming of WHS Classes for the 2020-2021 School Year:** The recommendation to rename Honors Analysis to Honors Pre-Calculus will eliminate some confusion for students as to the pathway for math courses.

The recommendation to rename Honors Algebra II/Trig to Honors Algebra II will allow for separation of our Honors Algebra II classes and allow us to offer the Honors Algebra II/Trig with Limits class that will accelerate students.

- 10. Additional Courses Offerings at WHS for 2020-2021 School Year:** The recommendation to approve adding Honors Algebra II Trig with Limits is to allow

high achieving students to essentially take Honors Algebra II and Honors Precalculus in one year, enabling the students to take AP Calculus the following year.

The recommendation to approve adding Earth Science I and Earth Science II is to allow the high school to better meet the needs of students who need a third year of science or a science elective option.

11. School District IEE/Consultation Agreement with Meghan Barlow and

Associates: The recommendation to approve the agreement with Meghan Barlow and Associates will allow for an independent educational evaluation of a student with a suspected disability to occur, per federal law.

13. Rosetta Stone: The Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Consortium for Rosetta Stone for the period of January 4, 2021 through December 31, 2021 being recommended for approval will continue to allow for the use of the Rosetta Stone program in our school district.

14. API: The API Terms and Conditions being recommended for approval will allow us to create an account to order supplies for our Four Cities Compact Automotive Technologies program.

15. Educational Service Center Funds Election of Disbursement: The Educational Service Center Funds Election of Disbursement being recommended for approval will allow for \$53,111.76 to be returned to our school district for contracted services that were not used during the 2019-2020 school year while leaving a balance of \$20,763.91 in our account with the Educational Service Center of Medina County.

VIII. Items of the Treasurer

A. ACTION CONSENT ITEMS

- 1. Announcement that the School District's Total Assessed Valuation for Calendar Year 2020 Increased 2.3% to a Total of \$876,881,210:** The Medina County Auditor recently updated our assessed valuation for calendar year 2020 (paid in 2021). This means each new mil levied will generate \$876,881.
- 3. 2021 Organizational Meeting:** The board is required to set the date and time for the 2021 organizational meeting. At this meeting the board will elect a new president and vice president, and the oath of office will be administered to the new president and vice president. In addition, the current president, Julie Batey, will be appointed as president pro tem to preside over the start of the meeting until a new president is elected.