

Wyoming Area School District  
Combined Work Session/Regular Meeting  
Wyoming Area Board of Education  
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643  
Tuesday, January 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Communications Report

Approval of Minutes: Combined Meeting of December 17, 2024

Superintendent's Report

Solicitor's Report

Student Representatives' Report

Treasurer's Report

New Business

Finance Report

Education Report

Activities Report

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Open Discussion

Adjournment

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Communications Report

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 submitting their meeting minutes of November 20, 2024.
2. West Side Career and Technology Center Joint Operating Committee submitting their minutes of November 25, 2024.
3. Ballots received from West Side Career & Technology Center for board members to elect officers to the WSC&TC Joint Operating Committee.
4. Ballots received from LIU #18 for board members to elect officers to the LIU Board.
5. Employee #12270 submitting a letter of intent to retire.
6. Rachel Leandri, Broadway on the Boulevard, requesting permission to rent the Secondary Auditorium, Lobby, Band Room and Chorus Room for their Spring Recital.
7. Kim Gittens, Wyoming Area Intermediate Center PTO, requesting permission to hold a Lucky Draw Calendar fundraiser.
8. Employee #1135 requesting permission to take a sabbatical leave of absence.
9. April Houman, Wyoming Area Kindergarten/Primary Center PTO, requesting permission to hold fundraisers.
10. Employee #20421 submitting a letter of intent to retire.

Applications Received

Social Worker – 3

School Psychologist - 1

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Treasurer's Report

Peoples Security Bank & Trust	General Fund	3,474,778.98
Peoples Security Bank & Trust	Payroll Account	468,992.63
Peoples Security Bank & Trust	Cafeteria Account	59,107.27
Peoples Security Bank & Trust	Student Activities Account	168,197.70
Peoples Security Bank & Trust	Athletic Fund Account	9,456.92
Peoples Security Bank & Trust	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	General Fund Account	148,195.08
Peoples Security Bank & Trust	Series 2022 GON Account	800,224.49
Peoples Security Bank & Trust	Money Market Account	10,180,699.48

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 Finance Report

1. Received the following checks:

Berkheimer Income Tax

Earned Income Tax	46,348.75
Local Services Tax	305.43
Per Capita Tax	1,801.78
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>3,128.72</u>
Total:	51,584.68

State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Retirement	869,036.59
Title I – Improving Basic Programs	7,473.00
PlanCon Bond Projects	137,923.31
Medicaid Admin Claims	11,149.05
Basic Education Funding	1,403,354.00
IU Contributions 24-25	(13,375.81)
PRRI 21-22	(95.33)
School District Transportation	520,128.00
DCNR-PILOT 98 Acres	98.00
Stronger Connections Grant	20,841.16
Non-Public Transportation	<u>37,345.00</u>
Total:	2,993,876.97

2024 Real Estate Taxes

George Miller – West Pittston Borough	131,727.67
Thomas Pizano – Exeter Borough	148,864.29
Paul Konopka – Wyoming Borough	104,345.75
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough	65,451.71
Wayman Smith – Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	67,498.57
Carol Bardzel – Exeter Twp., Wyoming County	<u>37,703.78</u>
Total:	555,591.77

Local Real Estate Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	32,626.30
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In Lieu of Taxes

Redevelopment & Housing Authorities of the County of Wyoming	700.00
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2. Approve the January payment of \$82,733.06 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract for Special Education Services and other related services for the 2024-2025 school year.
3. Approve the January payment of \$4,958.33 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for the Lighthouse Academy Dual Diagnosis Services for 2024-2025 school year.
4. Approve to ratify the January payment of \$69,742.73 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2024-2025 school year.
5. Approve to adopt a resolution indicating that the Board of School Directors will not raise the rate of any tax for support of public schools for the fiscal year 2025-2026 by more than its index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
6. Approve Settlement Agreement and Release for student #3000482 pending approval by the District's Solicitor.
7. Approve Settlement Agreement and Release for student #30002459 pending approval by the district's solicitor.
8. Approve a Contractor Agreement with Elite Educational and Therapeutic Services for a School Psychologist, pending final approval of the district's solicitor.
9. Approve the General Ledger Sheet:

Bill Listing: January 2025	1,163,087.48	
Prepays: December 2024	<u>185,851.62</u>	1,348,939.10
 Cafeteria Account:	 98,758.10	
Athletic Account:	<u>3,863.00</u>	<u>102,621.10</u>
	Total: 1,451,560.20	

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to accept the finance report.  
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Education Report

1. Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirement that the District's Federal Programs (Title I, Title II, Title III and Title IV) have been planned for the 2024-2025 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Dr. Jon Pollard, Superintendent, at the District's Business Office.
2. Approve the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ as a social worker.
3. Approve the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ as a school psychologist.
4. Approve the transfer of Janine Kravitsky from third grade teacher to Business, Computer and Information Technology teacher at the Intermediate Center.
5. Accept, with regret, employee #12270 submitting a letter of intent to retire as science teacher effective June 6, 2025.
6. Approve the Program of Studies for Secondary and Middle School students for the 2025-2026 school year.
7. Approve the Resolution for Principles for Governance and Leadership.
8. Approve the revised guest teacher substitute list.
9. Approve the agreement between Wyoming Area Education Association and Wyoming Area School District to allow any member of the professional staff to voluntarily donate sick leave to employee #1135 for the 2024-2025 school year.
10. Approve the request of employee #1135 to take a sabbatical leave of absence for the second semester of the 2024-2025 school year beginning January 24, 2025 through the end of the school year.
11. Approve the revised professional substitute List.

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12. Approve the appointment of Christina Masher as long term substitute retroactive to August 21, 2024 through January 24, 2025, at the step placement of Bachelors, Step 4 \$41,838.00.
13. Approve the appointment of Kathryn Sciandra as long term substitute retroactive to August 21, 2024 through April 17, 2025 at the step placement of Bachelors, Step 4 \$47,838.00 (pro-rated according to the duration of assignment).
14. Approve the appointment of Julia Evans as long term substitute effective January 23, 2025 through the end of the 2024-2025 school year, at the step placement of Bachelors, Step 4 \$41,838.00 (pro-rated according to the duration of assignment).
15. Approve the collapse of one kindergarten classroom section effective January 28, 2025.

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Activities Report

1. Approve the request of Kim Gittens, Wyoming Area Intermediate Center PTO, to hold a Lucky Draw Calendar fundraiser starting January 2025 to March 2025.
2. Approve the request of April Houman, Wyoming Area Kindergarten/Primary Center PTO, to hold the following fundraisers:
  - Bookfair the week of 2/10/25
  - Penny Wars week of 2/24/25
  - Snack in the USA, dining out at Booyahs, American Grill & Januzzi's in March
  - VIP & ME dance – April 2025
3. Approve the appointments of the following assistant coaches and volunteer coaches for the 2024-2025 Spring sports season:

Softball

Dean Carey	Assistant Coach
Jason Gaylord	Volunteer Coach
Kayla Taddei	Jr. High Coach
Julia Kopetchny	Assistant Jr. High Coach

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1. Approve the request of Rachel Leandri, Broadway on the Boulevard, to rent the Secondary Center auditorium, lobby, Band Room and Chorus Room for their Spring Recital on Saturday, June 14, 2025, with one show at 11:00 a.m. and another show at 4:00 p.m. Also, requesting the facilities for a dress rehearsal on Friday, June 13, 2025, at 4:00 p.m., pending availability and approval by the building principal. The organization is also responsible for the security and custodian fees.
2. Approve the appointment of Carol Serfass as a 4-hour food service employee.
3. Accept, with regret, employee #20421 submitting a letter of intent to retire as a paraprofessional effective June 6, 2025.

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Policy Report

1. Approve the second reading of revised policies Volume V of 2024:

Policy #113.1 - Discipline of Students with Disabilities

Policy #113.2 - Behavior Support

Policy #202 - Eligibility of Nonresident Students

Policy #236.1 - Threat Assessment

Policy #254 - Educational Opportunity for Military Children

Policy #607 - Tuition Income

Policy #805.2- School Security Personnel

2. Approve the second reading of revised policies Volume VI of 2024:

Policy #005- Organization

Policy #308- Employment Contract/Board Resolution

Policy #823- Opioid Antagonist

3. Approve the second reading of revised Policy #237 Electronic Devices.

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**Wyoming Area Police Department  
Monthly Report for December 2024  
Total Calls for Service**

<u>CODE</u>		<u>COUNT</u>
0690	Theft – Reports	1
2400	Disorderly Conduct	3
2450	Harassment	1
2601	Use of Tobacco in Schools	1
3610	Disturbances - Juvenile	2
4022	Non-Criminal – Reports	2
7505	Assist Other Agencies – WARP	1
7506	Assisting Other Agencies – All Others	2
S2S	Safe-2-Say Reports	1
TRUA	Compulsory School Attendance	8

Total: 22