

Wyoming Area School District  
Combined Work Session/Regular Meeting  
Wyoming Area Board of Education  
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643  
Thursday, November 16, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

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Communications Report

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of October 24, 2023

Superintendent's Report

Solicitor's Report

Student Representative's Report

Treasurer's Report

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Communications Report

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 submitting their regular meeting minutes of September 27, 2023.
2. West Side Career & Technology Center minutes of Joint Operating Committee September 25, 2023.
3. Carmen Latona, Secondary Teacher, requesting permission to take a medical leave of absence.
4. Lori DeAngelo requesting permission to use the Secondary Center student parking lot and Memorial Street parking lot for the Exeter Borough Turkey Trot.
5. Tracy Petrosky, Health Care Technician, submitting her letter of intent to retire.
6. Audra Ciampi, Special Education Teacher, requesting permission to extend her maternity leave.
7. Christine Campenni, Wyoming Area Swim Parents Association, requesting permission to hold fundraisers.
8. Mindy Stevens, Wyoming Area Kindergarten/Primary Center PTO, requesting permission to hold a Visa gift card bingo fundraiser.
9. Wyoming Area Lacrosse Parents Association requesting permission to hold fundraisers.
10. Shaun Rohland submitting his letter of resignation as Assistant Principal of Discipline and Coordinator of ESL Services.



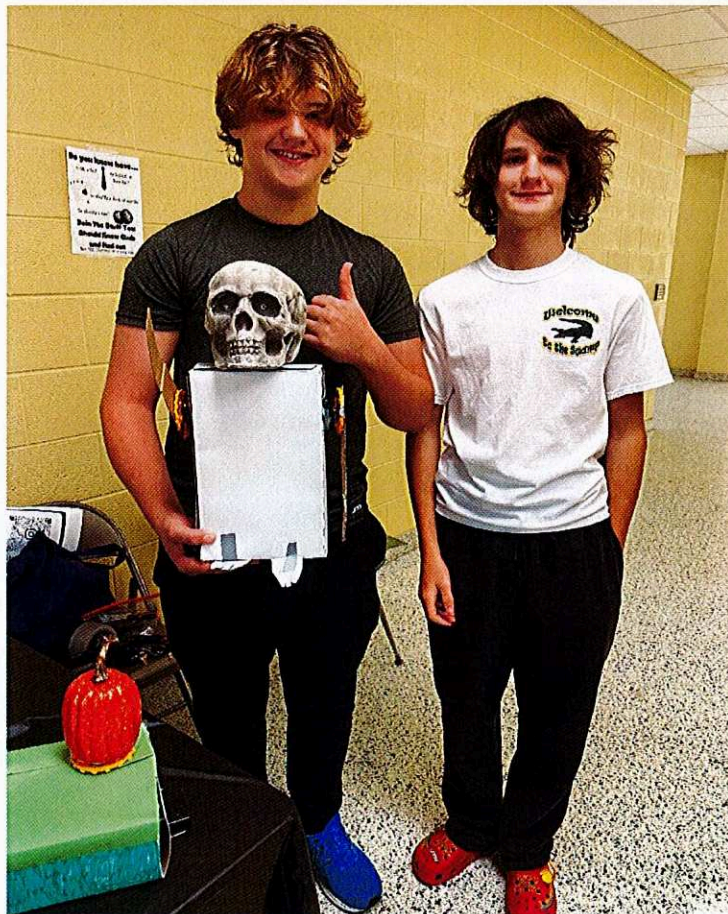
**WYOMING AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**COMBINED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. *On Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, the WA FBLA Club participated in a local Trunk or Treat at Driscoll's Home Center. Many members participated by both donating candy and handing out candy to community members*
2. *Congratulations to the Drama Club and Thespian Society on a successful run of "Murder on the Orient Express". Congratulations to the cast and crew and to Advisors, Chuck Yarmey and Kate Mangan.*
3. *Mrs. McAndrew's 8-03 STEM Rotation provided some Spooky Halloween Spirit with their Robotic designs on October 31<sup>st</sup> prior to the Senior Halloween Parade. Students worked in pairs to code, design and construct their Halloween Spectacular. Spinning Jack O'Lanterns, Haunted Hayrides, Dancing Skeletons, Flying Ghosts and more.*









4. *Chief Science Officers are a group of students from each district that cooperate with one another to improve and develop STEM curriculum and opportunities at their school. There will be multiple 1-hour events with STEM activities designed specifically for grades 1 -3 to be held at the Primary Center. The first Halloween STEM night was a huge success with a 143 students from grades 1 -3 attending the event which offered Ghostly Graph Paper Coding, Haystack "Blind" Maze, Pumpkin Tower Challenge and Make your own Edible Monster. Attached are some fun photos of the event. Due to the enormous interest, the next event will be designed specifically for our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students to be held on January 18<sup>th</sup>. The WA CSO advisor is Mrs. McAndrew.*











5. *The Wyoming Area Intermediate PTO hosted their annual Trunk or Treat. The students paraded around in areas by the school and eventually entered the playground to participate in Trunk or Treat. The students, faculty and staff enjoyed seeing all of the decorated cars at the event. They would like to thank everyone who participated.*





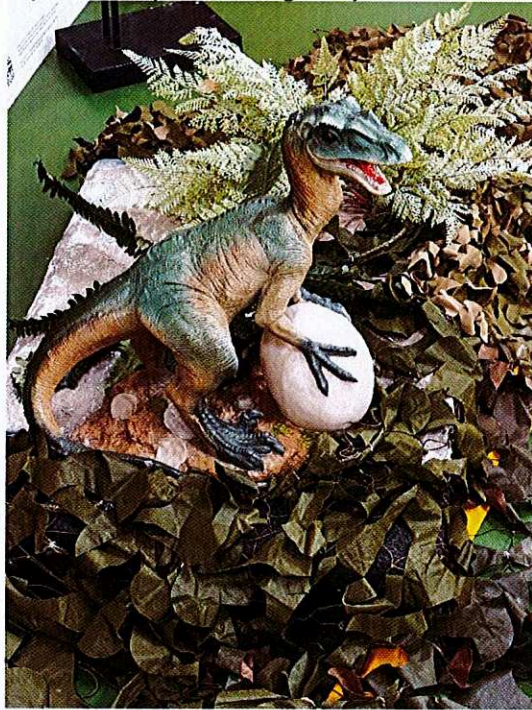




6. *The Wyoming Area Intermediate PTO hosted "A Walk Through Museum: The Natural History Adventure Museum" The Museum featured a 10 foot erupting volcano with a T-Rex and T-Rex skeleton. The museum had lifelike scenes with plants and water that showcased dinosaur relics, a fossilized dinosaur egg, tooth, stomach stone, coprolite, and bones. The museum ended with ancient fossils, rocks, minerals, and the new*



*entomology exhibit, along with the Ocean Life Exhibit. The students enjoyed seeing and hearing about all of these topics during the presentation.*







7. *The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Career Fair and Community Shout Out will be held Wednesday, March 13, 2024 from 8 – 11 AM at the Secondary Center Gymnasium. We encourage Wyoming Area alumni, those needing to fill immediate job openings, and local industry and government leaders to attend. If you would like to reserve a table or need more information, please contact Christine Rutledge at [crutledge@wyomingarea.org](mailto:crutledge@wyomingarea.org) or (570) 655-2836, ext. 2203. Reservations are due by March 4, 2024.*
8. *I am happy to report that we had a very successful first renewal meeting of the Wyoming Area Foundation. We discussed some short term and long term objects, finances, and fundraising. One of the first projects as we begin our new journey is to gather information from our Wyoming Area and Local Town schools. So if you are a Wyoming Area Alumni, please take the 2 minutes to send us your contact information so that we can keep you informed of upcoming events. You can scan the QR code or there will be a link posted to the WA Website on Friday.*





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 Treasurer's Report

First National Community Bank	General Fund	7,058,145.81
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	6,350.02
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	28,750.92
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	154,422.93
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	21,230.16
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	General Fund Account	139,816.45
First National Community Bank	Series 2022 GON Account	7,905.37
First National Community Bank	Money Market Account	8,022,794.52



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Finance Report

1. Received the following checks:

Berkheimer Income Tax

Earned Income Tax	115,363.23
Local Services Tax	489.11
Per Capita Tax	4,033.12
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>3,048.97</u>
Total:	122,934.43

State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Basic Education Funding	1,361,886.00
Ready to Learn Block Grant	357,527.00
School District Transportation	376,755.00
ARP ESSER III	90,907.04
ARP ESSER 7%	7,065.51
ARP ESSER 2.5%	920.64
Property Tax Relief Payment	<u>295,512.28</u>
Total:	2,490,573.47

Local Realty Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	20,597.88
Wyoming County	<u>5,898.62</u>
Total:	26,496.50

2023 Real Estate Taxes

Paul Konopka – Wyoming Borough	395,590.95
George Miller – West Pittston Borough	262,244.32
Thomas Pizano – Exeter Borough	585,059.59
Wayman Smith – Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	98,729.99
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough	<u>123,915.41</u>
Total:	1,465,540.16

2. Approve the November payment of \$94,926.95 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract for Special Education Services and other related services for the 2023-2024 school year.

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3. Approve the November payment of \$4,958.33 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for the Lighthouse Academy Dual Diagnosis Services for 2023-2024 school year.
4. Approve to ratify the November payment of \$69,097.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2023-2024 school year.
5. Approve to ratify the November 1, 2023 payment to Fidelity Bank in the amount of \$11,213.96 for the General Obligation Note, Series of 2022 of the Wyoming Area School District.
6. Approve the request of the Wyoming Area School District Tax Collectors to receive compensation regarding collection of installment payments for 2023 for real estate taxes in the amount of \$1,965.00.
7. Approve the following change orders:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Invoice#</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Description</u>
JBM Mechanical	CO#1	22,425.00	JFK	HVAC General Construction
JBM Mechanical	CO#2	<u>3,060.98</u>	JFK	HVAC Mechanical Construction
Total:		25,485.98		

8. Approve contract between Wyoming Area School District and EduConsult.
9. Approve the general ledger account:

Bill Listing: November 2023	772,851.76	
Prepays: October 2023	<u>817,093.03</u>	1,589,944.79
Cafeteria Account:	97,190.69	
Athletic Account:	<u>21,230.16</u>	<u>118,420.85</u>
	Total:	1,708,365.64

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to accept the finance report.  
Roll Call:



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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 2023-2024 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Dr. Jon Pollard, Superintendent, at the District's Business Office.
2. Approve the request of Carmen Latona, Secondary Teacher, to take a medical leave of absence effective November 16, 2023 through January 2, 2024.
3. Approve the revised Guest Teacher substitute list.
4. Approve the request of Audra Ciampi, Special Education Teacher, to extend her maternity leave until August 2024.
5. Accept, with regret, Shaun Rohland's letter of resignation as Assistant Principal of Discipline and Coordinator of ESL Services.
6. Approve the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ as Scholarship Committee Chairperson/Consultant at a stipend of \$2,000.00 for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year and a stipend of \$5,000.00 for the 2024-2025 school year through the 2026-2027 school year.
7. Approve the 2024-2025 school calendar.

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Activities Report

1. Approve the request of Christine Campenni, Wyoming Area Swim Parents Association, to hold the following fundraisers:

- Car Wash Voucher Sale – Starting November 22nd
- Lottery Ticket Sale – Starting November 20th
- Booyah Benefit Nights – December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>
- Super Bowl Block Pool – Starting December 1<sup>st</sup>

2. Approve the request of Mindy Stevens, Wyoming Area Kindergarten/Primary Center PTO, to hold a Visa gift card bingo on Sunday, April 7, 2024, in the Secondary Center cafeteria, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director.

3. Approve the request of Wyoming Area Lacrosse Parents Association to hold the following fundraisers:

- Got Sneakers fundraiser – November 26, 2023 and March 18, 2024
- Blast-Online/email fundraising – January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30, 2024

4. Approve the appointment of the following volunteer coaches for the 2023-2024 winter sports season:

Jeff Pepe	Wrestling
Lou DeMark	Elementary Wrestling

5. Approve the following head coaches for the 2023-2024 Spring sports season:

Baseball	Robert Lemoncelli
Boys Lacrosse	Mason Byers
Girls Lacrosse	Carl DeLuca
Softball	John McNeil
Boys Tennis	Bill Roberts
Track & Field	Joe Pizano

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to accept the activities report.

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1. Approve the request of Lori DeAngelo to use the student parking lot and Memorial Street parking lot for the Exeter Borough Turkey Trot on Saturday, November 25, 2023, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., pending approval by the Building Principal.
2. Approve the revised support personnel substitute list.
3. Accept, with regret, Tracy Petrosky's letter of intent to retire as a Health Care Tech effective January 4, 2024.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to accept the building report.

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Policy Report

1. Approve the first reading of revised policies: Volume IV of 2023:

Policy# 815: Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources  
Policy#819: Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to accept the policy report.

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