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Wyoming Area School District
Virtual Regular Meeting
Wyoming Area Board of Education
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643
Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

A virtual regular meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education was held this evening. A virtual executive session preceded the meeting. Mr. Campenni, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

Roll Call:

- Mr. Philip Campenni, President
- Mrs. Kimberly Yochem, Vice President
- Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary
- Mr. Carman Bolin, Treasurer
- Ms. Lara Best
- Mr. Nicholas DeAngelo
- Mr. Leonard Pribula
- Mr. Gerald Stofko
- Mrs. Toni Valenti

Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, Thomas Melone, Business Consultant, Jon Pollard, Secondary Center Principal, Cathy Ranieli, Secondary Center Assistant Building Principal, Shaun Rohland, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Jason Jones, Network Engineer, Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum, Betsy O'Malley, Food Service Director, Frank Pugliesi, Facilities Director, Chris Alberigi, School Police Officer.

Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 submitting their regular meeting minutes of January 27, 2021.
2. Lindsey Martin, Speech Therapist, requesting permission to take a maternity leave of absence.
3. Carol Tabit, Title I Reading Teacher, requesting a change in her return date.
4. Luzerne Intermediate Unit requesting permission to use five classrooms **at the Intermediate Center** for the 2021 Extended School Year Program.
5. Barbara Mazurkivich submitting her letter of resignation as (10 month) cleaner.
6. David Belles submitting his letter of resignation as (10 month) cleaner.
7. Jessica Sands submitting her letter of resignation as hall monitor.
8. Right to Know Request submitted for a copy of all cleaners and their ingredients and a list of ingredients in the NanoShield.
9. Right to Know Request submitted for a copy of any/all written and/or electronic communications from and to the Superintendent and any/all officers of the Primary Center, Intermediate Center and Secondary Center Union from February 1, 2020 until March 10, 2021 and any/all written and/or electronic communications with the above and PA. Department of Health and PA. Department of Education regarding Virtual Learning/Virtual Instruction, In-person learning or in-person instruction, Hybrid learning or Hybrid instruction, health and safety plan, Covid 19, pandemic and corona virus, collective bargaining agreement.

10. Right to Know Request submitted for any emails between the police department, school officials and a former employee.
11. Courtney Burdick submitting her letter of resignation as a (10 month) cleaner.
12. Cynthia Lynch, English Teacher, submitting her letter of intent to retire.
13. West Side Career & Technology Center submitting their meeting minutes of February 22, 2021.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Campenni asked for approval of the minutes of virtual regular meeting of February 23, 2021.

All board members vote aye.

Mr. Campenni asked for approval of the minutes of virtual special meeting of March 4, 2021.

Mrs. Valenti stated that in the special meeting minutes, under education, item #1, board members, Best, Pribula, DeAngelo and Mrs. Valenti voted no because they wanted the students to come back 5 days in person or virtual.

Mrs. Valenti motioned to amend the minutes second by Mr. Pribula.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, no, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Campenni, second by Mr. Pribula to approve the amended minutes.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, no, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

1. Jaden Pepe won the PIAA Class 2A title at 113 pounds on Friday March 12, 2021 at Hershey's Giant Center. The sophomore became the first Wyoming Area wrestler to win a state championship and the first from any Wyoming Valley Conference school to accomplish the feat in 14 years. Jaden was also the District 2 champ and selected as the Most Outstanding Wrestler in the District! Last year Jaden finished 3rd in the state as a Freshman which was tied for the Highest Place finisher ever at WA at the state Wrestling Meet. Congratulations Jaden!!!!

Solicitor's Report

Attorney Ferentino stated the board met tonight in executive session to discuss professional negotiations, personnel matters and special education.

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Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Bolin read the Treasurer’s Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	10,449,538.78
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,917.02
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	41,093.67
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	104,108.50
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	20,364.77
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	General Fund Account	132,443.81
First National Community Bank	Series 2018 GON Account	263,591.14

The Treasurer’s Report will be kept on file for audit.

Finance Report

Mr. Bolin read Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

Berkheimer Income Tax

Earned Income Tax	410,593.11
Local Services Tax	3,421.13
Per Capita Tax	550.40
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>3,917.61</u>
Total:	418,482.25

State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Social Security	179,123.29
Medicaid Admin Claims	4,022.25
Basic Education Funding	1,192,680.00
PCCD Grant-School Safety & Security	40,000.00
COVID-19 SECIM	4,138.00
aTSI GEER	<u>6,003.90</u>
Total:	1,425,967.44

Delinquent Real Estate Tax

Wyoming County	10,200.71
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Local Realty Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	21,804.10
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Sheriff Sale Payments & Refunds

Luzerne County 2,326.22

2. Approve the March payment of \$146,562.97 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract for special education services and other related services for the 2020-2021 school year.
3. Approve the March payment of \$56,528.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2020-2021 school year.
4. Approve the March payment of \$20,000.00 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for Liberty Academy dual Diagnosis Services for the 2020-2021 school year.
5. Approve the Letter of Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years. Wyoming Area School District will pay \$67.00 per student per day for educational services.
6. Approve the submission of PlanCon K Project Refinancing for the General Obligation Notes, Series A of 2021.
7. Approve the submission of PlanCon K Project Refinancing for the General Obligation Notes, Series B of 2021.
8. Approve the Letter of Agreement between Wyoming Area School District, Northeast Behavioral Health Care Consortium and Community Care Behavioral Health Organization to provide behavioral health care if needed.
9. Approve the general ledger sheet:

Bill Listing: March 2021	527,196.75	
Prepays: February 2021	<u>39,022.10</u>	566,218.85
 Cafeteria Account:	 2,032.34	
Athletic Account:	<u>5,013.95</u>	<u>7,046.29</u>
	 Total: 573,265.14	

Motion by Mr. Bolin, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the finance report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Education Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Education Report.

1. Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirement that the District’s Federal Programs (Title I, Title II, and Drugs and Alcohol) have been planned for the 2020-2021 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, Superintendent, at the District’s Business Office.

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2. Approve the request of Lindsey Martin, Speech Therapist, to take a maternity leave of absence effective on or about April 28, 2021 with an anticipated return date at the start of the 2021-2022 school year.
3. Approve the request of Carol Tabit, Title I Reading Teacher, to change her return date from March 11, 2021 to March 18, 2021.
4. Approve the revised professional substitute list for the 2020-2021 school year.
5. Approve the revised guest teacher substitute list for the 2020-2021 school year.
6. Accept, with regret, Cynthia Lynch's letter of intent to retire as English teacher effective at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.
7. Motion for the District to return to a 5 day week with a virtual option effective April 7, 2021. (This item was added from the floor)

Motion by Mrs. Yochem, second by Mr. Marianacci, to accept the education report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Activities Report

Mr. DeAngelo read the Activities Report.

1. Approve the appointment of Madison Mimnaugh as Jr. High Track & Field Coach for the 2020-2021 spring sports season. Salary as per the collective bargaining agreement.
2. Approve the appointment of Jacob Sheperis as a volunteer baseball coach for the 2020-2021 spring sports season.
3. Motion for contribution of \$1,000.00 to the Ice Hockey Association. (This item was added from the floor)

Motion by Mr. DeAngelo, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the activities report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mrs. Yochem, abstained on item #3 and yes on remaining report, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

1. Discuss to approve the request of Libby Krokos, Luzerne Intermediate Unit, to use five classrooms **at the Intermediate Center** for the 2021 Extended School Year Program starting every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday starting July 6th through August 12, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., July 5th and August 13th will be orientation/set up/breakdown days, pending Covid health & safety protocols.

2. Accept, with regret, Barbara Mazurkivich's letter of resignation as (10 month) cleaner retroactive to March 5, 2021.
3. Accept, with regret, David Belles' letter of resignation as (10 month) cleaner effective March 26, 2021.
4. Accept, with regret, Jessica Sand's letter of resignation as hall monitor retroactive to March 12, 2021.
5. Accept, with regret, Courtney Burdick's letter of resignation as (10) month cleaner effective April 8, 2021. Ms. Burdick would like to be placed on the substitute list.

Motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the building report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Policy Report

Mr. Campenni read the Policy Report.

1. Approve the second reading and adoption of Policy 352: Time Clock Procedures.

Motion by Mr. Campenni, second by Mr. DeAngelo, to accept the policy report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Open Discussion:

The following topics were discussed. Some of the questions or comments received were forwarded to administration for response.

1. Backpacks
2. Updates to air conditioning
3. Sports, education and Covid
4. Plan to go back to school in April – What will it cost

Log on to youtube channel to listen to live stream of meeting to hear the answers to the above questions.

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Campenni, second by Mr. Marianacci.

Philip Campenni, President

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John Marianacci, Secretary