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Wyoming Area School District
Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643
Tuesday, August 23, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education was held this evening in the Secondary Center auditorium, 252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643. Fifteen people of the public were in attendance. A non-public executive session preceded the meeting. Mr. Supey, President of the Board, asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for Rocco Yanora, a former teacher that passed away. Mr. Supey called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call:

- Mr. Michael Supey, President
- Mr. Philip Campenni, Vice President
- Mr. David Alberigi, Secretary
- Mr. Joseph Kopko, Treasurer
- Ms. Lara Best
- Mr. Paul Porfirio
- Mr. Leonard Pribula
- Mr. Gerald Stofko
- Mrs. Toni Valenti

Also present were: Dr. Jon Pollard, Acting Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, School Solicitor, Tom Melone, Business Consultant, Cathy Ranieli, Assistant Secondary Center Principal, Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum and Instruction/Assistant Elementary Principal, Jason Jones, Network Engineer, Eric Speece, Secondary Center Building Principal, David Pacchioni, Primary Center Building Principal, Brian Stradzus, Intermediate Center Building Principal, Shaun Rohland, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Stephanie Anuszewski, Director of Special Education.

Communications Report

Mr. Alberigi read any additions to the Communications Report.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 submitting their regular meeting minutes of June 22, 2022.
2. West Side Career & Technology Center Joint Operating Committee Meeting Summary of July 25, 2022.
3. Hannah Jenkins, Part Time Cleaner, submitting her letter of resignation.
4. Brenda Bitters, 3rd Grade Teacher, requesting permission to take a medical leave of absence.
5. Lisa Woodruff, Wyoming Area Drama Club Parents Association, requesting permission to hold various fundraisers.
6. Megan Donaldson, Special Education Teacher, submitting her letter of resignation.

Summary of Applications Received

Police Officers – 5

Director of Physical Plant - 4

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Supey asked for approval of the combined minutes of July 26, 2022. All board members present voted aye.

Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Pollard read his report.

1. The first day of school for students will be Tuesday, September 6th with September 6th and 7th being Act 80 Early Dismissals.

2. Leadership Wilkes-Barre is happy to share the list of Wyoming Area students for the 2023 Junior Leadership Class:
 - Diem Kieu Bui-Pham
 - Cadance Cable
 - Samara Campenni
 - Hubert Dixon
 - Marissa Gacek
 - Liam Hizynski
 - Thomas Kearns
 - Lucy Obrzut

3. The District has made application to provide free breakfast and lunch for our students. We are still waiting for final determination.

Solicitor’s Report

Attorney Ferentino reported that the board met in executive session on August 16th at 5:00 p.m. and tonight, August 23rd at 5:15 p.m. to discuss appointments, contracts and security issues.

Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Kopko read the Treasurer’s Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	3,148,541.63
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,956.11
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	81,780.72
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	108,189.54
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	21,065.80
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	General Fund Account	132,762.03
First National Community Bank	Series 2018 GON Account	6,795.75

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The treasurer’s report will be kept on file for audit.

Finance Report

Mr. Kopko read additions to Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

Berkheimer Income Tax

Earned Income Tax	67,179.66
Local Services Tax	308.58
Per Capita Tax	9,543.59
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>5,001.35</u>
Total:	82,033.18

State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Title I – Improving Basic Programs	56,302.46
Title II – Improving Teacher Quality	7,569.23
Title IV – Student Support & Academic Enrichment	3,870.00
School District Special Education	272,115.00
ARP ESSER III	90,907.04
ARP ESSER 7%	7,065.51
Cares Act-ESSER II Fund	57,485.44
ARP ESSER Homeless Children & Youth	<u>356.33</u>
Total:	495,671.01

Local Realty Transfer Tax

Wyoming County	710.50
Luzerne County	<u>18,081.35</u>
Total:	18,791.85

Delinquent Real Estate Tax

Luzerne County	17,947.72
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2022 Real Estate Taxes

George Miller – West Pittston Borough	69,433.65
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2. Approve the August payment of \$136,428.89 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract for Special Education Services and other related services for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. Approve the August payment of \$67,705.13 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2022-2023 school year.
4. Approve the Special Education Services Agreement between Specialized Education of Pennsylvania, Inc. and Wyoming Area School District for the 2022-2023 RSY School Year at Graham Academy.
5. Approve the revised Settlement Agreement and Release of Student #3002284.
6. Approve the August payment of \$4,958.33 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for the Lighthouse Academy Dual Diagnosis Services for the 2022-2023 school year.
7. Approve to ratify the payment in the amount of \$4,958.33 due to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for services related to the Lighthouse Academy Dual Diagnosis Program. This amount represents an advance for services for the month of July 2022.

8. Approve to ratify the payment in the amount of \$39,061.50 due to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for other related services to the Lighthouse Academy and PAL Program. This amount represents an advance for services for the month of July 2022.
9. Approve forgiveness of \$75.37 to Michael Baloga for tax and late fees of paid school property taxes for 2020.
10. Approve Memorandum of Understanding for payment of planning period coverage for 2022-2023 school year.
11. Approve the attachment to Family Leave policy for three paid COVID days September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.
12. Approve invoices for payment for the following building projects:

Champion Builders	App#1	2,250.00	JFK
Troy Mechanical	App#4	119,490.48	District
Grace4 Industries	App#2	22,638.60	Stadium
Richard Mellow Corp.	App#1	<u>6,300.00</u>	Stadium
	Total:	150,679.08	

13. Approve the general ledger sheet:

Bill Listing: August 2022	638,290.33	
Prepays: July 2022	<u>670,948.18</u>	1,309,238.51
Cafeteria Account:	55,687.82	
Athletic Account:	<u>955.00</u>	<u>56,642.82</u>
	Total:	1,365,881.30

Motion by Mr. Kopko, second by Ms. Best, to accept the finance report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti, yes, Ms. Best, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Porfirio, yes, Mr. Kopko, yes, Mr. Supey, yes, Mr. Alberigi, yes.

Motion passed.

Education Report

Ms. Best read additions to the Education Report.

1. Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirement that the District's Federal Programs (Title I, Title II, and Drugs and Alcohol) are currently being planned for the 2022-2023 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Jon Pollard, Acting Superintendent, at the District's Business Office.
2. Approve the professional substitute list for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. Approve to rescind the appointment of Laura Rogan as Special Education Teacher.
4. Approve to rescind the appointment of Matthew Perhala as Music Teacher.

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5. Approve the request of Brenda Bitters, 3rd Grade Teacher, to take a medical leave of absence for the 2022-2023 school year.
6. Approve the tentative guest teacher substitute list for the 2022-2023 school year.
7. Approve the ATSI non-Title School Plan for school year 2022-2023.
8. Accept, with regret, Megan Donaldson, Special Education Teacher, letter of resignation effective August 31, 2022.
9. Approve the appointment of Sarah Kester as special education teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
10. Approve the appointment of Meaghan Broderick as special education teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
11. Approve the appointment of Audra Ciampi as special education teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
12. Approve the appointment of Tina Yukenavage as special education teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
13. Approve the appointment of Sarah Solano as special education teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
14. Approve the appointment of Joseph Malocheski as music teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
15. Approve the appointment of Morgan Reese as Spanish teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
16. Approve the appointment of Douglas Womelsdorf as long term substitute science teacher for Anne Wall effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
17. Approve the transfer of Roxanne Campenni, sixth grade teacher to an ESL teacher effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
18. Approve the transfer of Lindsay Tierney, special education teacher to sixth grade teacher for the 2022-2023.
19. Approve the appointment of Ami Bealla as a long term substitute teacher for Brenda Bitters, third grade teacher, effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
20. Approve the appointment of Celeste Calpin as Driver Theory Instructor for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion by Ms. Best, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the education report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti, yes, Ms. Best, yes, Mr. Campenni abstained on item #17 and voted yes on remaining report. Mr. Stofko voted yes on items #1 through #18, no on item #19 and yes on item #20. Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Porfirio, yes, Mr. Kopko, yes, Mr. Supey, yes, Mr. Alberigi, yes.

Motion passed.

Activities Report

Mr. Porfirio read the additions to the Activities Report.

1. Approve the marching band staff for the 2022-2023 school year:

Kendra Dewey	Assistant Director
Chelsea Margallis	Color Guard Instructor/Designer
Madelyn Ross	Percussion Instructor

2. Approve the request of Lisa Woodruff, Wyoming Area Drama Parents Association, to hold the following fundraisers:

- Sabatini's Bottle Shop – October 25th
- Apparel Sale
- Basket Raffle

3. Approve the appointments of the following assistants/volunteers for Field Hockey for the 2022-2023 Fall sports season:

Zoe Prutzman	Assistant Jr. High Coach
Ali Tedik	Volunteer Coach
Paige Tedik	Volunteer Coach

4. Approve the marching band schedule for 2022-2023 school year.
5. Approve the appointment of Nicholas Evans as a volunteer girls soccer coach for the 2022-2023 Fall sports season.

Motion by Mr. Porfirio, second by Mr. Campenni, to accept the activities report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti, yes, Ms. Best, yes, Mr. Campenni abstained on item #17 and voted yes on remaining report. Mr. Stofko voted yes on items #1 through #18, no on item #19 and yes on item #20. Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Porfirio, yes, Mr. Kopko, yes, Mr. Supey, yes, Mr. Alberigi, yes.

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Campenni read the additions to the Building Report.

1. Accept, with regret, Hannah Jenkins, Part Time Cleaner, submitting her letter of resignation retroactive to August 1, 2022.
2. Approve the school bus transportation drivers for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. Approve the support substitute list for the 2022-2023 school year.
4. Approve the appointment of Jason Slatcoff as school police officer effective for 2022-2023 school year.
5. Approve the appointment of Jennifer Anderson as school police officer effective for 2022-2023 school year.

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6. Approve the appointment of John Bell as school police officer effective for 2022-2023 school year.
7. Approve the appointment of Mike Bugelholl as Director of Physical Plant/Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, effective October 1, 2022.
8. Approve the appointments of the Facilities Committee:

Jon Pollard
Mike Supey
Len Pribula
Dave Alberigi
Tom Campenni
Joe Pizano
Lou Ciampi

Motion by Mr. Campenni, second by Mr. Porfirio, to accept the building report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti abstained on item #7 and yes on remaining report. Ms. Best, yes, Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Stofko voted yes on items #1-#6, no on item #7 and yes on item #8. Mr. Pribula, yes, Mr. Porfirio, yes, Mr. Kopko, yes, Mr. Supey voted no on item #7 and yes on remaining report. Mr. Alberigi voted yes.

Motion passed.

There was no open discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Supey, second by Mr. Kopko.

Michael Supey, President

David Alberigi, Secretary