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Wyoming Area School District
Virtual Combined Work Session/Regular Meeting
Wyoming Area Board of Education
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643
Tuesday, December 15, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

A virtual combined work session/regular meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education was held this evening. A virtual executive session preceded the meeting. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Mr. Campenni, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:10 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. Leonard Pribula
Mr. Gerald Stofko
Mrs. Toni Valenti

Absent: Mr. Nicholas DeAngelo

Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, Thomas Melone, Business Consultant, Jon Pollard, Secondary Center Principal, David Pacchioni, Building Principal of Primary Center, Brian Strazdus, Building Principal of Intermediate Center, Cathy Ranieli, Secondary Center Assistant Building Principal, Shaun Rohland, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Jason Jones, Network Engineer, Vanessa Nee, Director of Special Education, JoAnn Pepsin, Building Principal of Kindergarten Center/Assistant Director of Special Education, Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum, Kristi Naylor, School Psychologist, Angelo Falzone, Director of Attendance/Transportation.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Campenni asked for approval of minutes of virtual combined work session/regular meeting of November 15, 2020. All board members present voted aye.

Mr. Campenni asked for approval of minutes of virtual reorganization meeting of December 1, 2020. All board members present voted aye.

Mr. Campenni asked for approval of minutes of virtual special meeting of December 1, 2020. All board members present voted aye.

Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

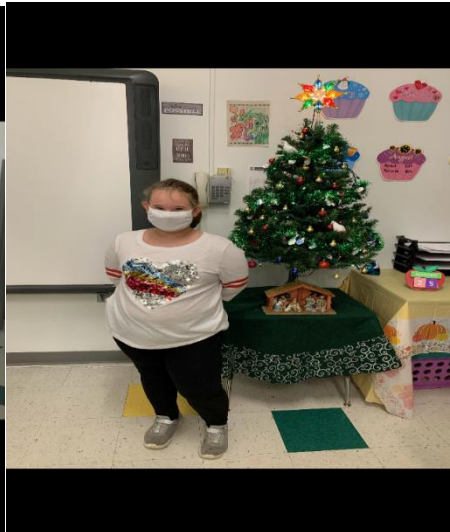
1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 submitting their minutes of October 28, 2020.
2. West Side Career & Technology Center minutes of Joint Operating Committee of October 26, 2020 and November 2, 2020.
3. Sheri Slusser, Wyoming Area Softball Parents Association requesting permission to hold a purse lottery fundraiser to benefit the All Night Party.
4. Linda Cohen, Personal Care Aide, submitting her letter of intent to retire.

5. Joyce Becker, Music/Instrumental Teacher, requesting permission to continue her sabbatical leave.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

1. *Students in grades K -5 participated in a Family Coding Night. Students and their adult partner paired up to learn about coding and to solve coding challenges. It was a great experience of family learning and fun. All families who attended also received a packet with resources to continue their coding journey as well as a certificate and a badge. The Family Code Night was brought to our district by our Intermediate Center Principal Brian Strazdus and computer teacher Erica Bartoli.*
2. *Mrs. Kara Anthony, 5th grade teacher at our Intermediate Center, facilitated such an incredible lesson, which consisted of 20 students, 11 students from Japan, 3 Japanese professors, and 2 Wilkes University professors. Her Google slides included teaching of Greek Gods and Goddesses with a lesson objective aligned to learning root words, affixes, prefixes, etc. It was such an engaging lesson to the point that our friends from Japan needed to log off after 40 minutes of joining the class but the Japanese students told their professors they were loving the lesson and did not want to leave.*
3. *Mr. Joe McCabe called to commend the work that was done on the boys lockers room and the field houses.*
4. *Mrs. Supey's Life Skills Class at the Intermediate Center decorated their Christmas Tree. Great job!*



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5. *The Wyoming Area Music Department will be presenting the 2020 Virtual Holiday Concert. Virtual performances from: Concert Band, Chorus and Guitar Ensemble. Look for the concert to be streamed on the Wyoming Area Youtube channel starting December 21st.*
6. *The National Honor Society is participating in the Giving Trees for the Salvation Army and they are doing crafts to distribute for the food pantry.*
7. *The Kindergarten and Primary Center participated in having students write letters to Santa virtually through google forms.*
8. *The Kindergarten, Primary and Intermediate Centers will have a Christmas Spirit week starting December 16th and continuing through December 23rd.*
9. *As a result of the large cases of Covid, remote learning will continue up to Tuesday, January 19, 2021.*

Solicitor's Report

Attorney Ferentino reported an hour and a half executive session was held this evening to discuss ongoing negotiations, special education litigation and personnel issues.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Bolin read the Treasurer's Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	10,389,019.34
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,906.35
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	39,618.87
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	106,436.47
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	25,772.83
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	General Fund Account	1,132,417.28
First National Community Bank	Series 2018 GON Account	263,505.31

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

Finance Report

Mr. Bolin read the Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

<u>Berkheimer Income Tax</u>	
Earned Income Tax	365,104.64
Local Services Tax	4,935.37

Per Capita Tax	2,571.05	
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>1,721.03</u>	
Total:		374,332.09

State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Social Security	131,452.36	
PlanCon Bond Projects	128,552.72	
PRRI Deduct Adjustment	56.40	
School District Special Education	244,517.00	
Cares Act-ESSER Fund	<u>49,396.10</u>	
Total:		553,974.58

2020 Real Estate Taxes

Paul Konopka – Wyoming Borough	122,712.46	
Ann Marie Farley – Exeter Twp., Wyoming County	44,549.91	
Wayman Smith – Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	123,503.58	
George Miller – West Pittston Borough	213,124.58	
Thomas Pizano – Exeter Borough	166,320.70	
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough	<u>131,308.04</u>	
Total:		801,519.27

Local Realty Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	19,690.99	
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2. Approve the December 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 December payment of \$56,528.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2020-2021 school year.
4. Approve the December payment of \$20,000.00 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for Liberty Academy dual Diagnosis Services for the 2020-2021 school year.
5. Approve a refund in the amount of \$1,120.00 to #66-E10NE3-001-04A-000 for paid property taxes for the year 2020.
6. Approve the appointment of Conrad Siegel Actuaries to provide services regarding compliance with Section 6055 and 6056 Employer Reporting Mandate under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The 2020 fee for the proposed consulting service is \$5,750.00.
7. Approve the Settlement Agreement and Release for student #3000590.
8. Approve the general ledger sheet:

Bill Listing: December 2020	611,801.96	
Prepays: November 2020	<u>74,103.15</u>	685,905.11
Cafeteria Account:	1,725.20	
Athletic Account:	<u>1,045.00</u>	<u>2,770.20</u>
Total:		688,675.31

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

Roll Call: Ms. Best, 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.
2. Approve the appointment of Phil Campenni, school board member, as the policy committee chairperson.
3. Approve the request of Joyce Becker, Music/Instrumental Teacher, to continue her sabbatical leave for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

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

Roll Call: Ms. Best, 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. Pribula read the report in the absence of Mr. DeAngelo.

1. Approve the request of Sheri Slusser, Wyoming Area Softball Parents Association, to hold a Purse Lottery from April 1, 2021 to April 30, 2021, pending CDC Covid-19 guidelines.
2. Approve the appointment of Patrick Heck as assistant wrestling coach for the 2020-2021 winter sports season.

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

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

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

1. Approve the appointment of Jeremy Klapat as full time custodian.
2. Approve the Pace Transportation School Bus Drivers for the 2020-2021 school year.
3. Accept, with regret, Linda Cohen's letter of intent to retire as Personal Care Aide effective January 4, 2021.

Motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the Building Report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, 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 of revised Volumn VI policies:

Policy #113.1	Discipline of Students with Disabilities
Policy #113.2	Behavior Support
Policy #113.4	Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information
Policy #122	Extracurricular Activities
Policy #123	Interscholastic Athletics
Policy #123.2	Sudden Cardiac Arrest

Motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mr. Marianacci, to accept the policy report.

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

Motion passed.

There was no open discussion but plenty of Merry Christmas' to go around!

The meeting ended at 7:30 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Campenni, second by Mr. Marianacci.

Philip Campenni, President

John Marianacci, Secretary