

# Board Minutes

## September 9, 2019

WESTERN WAYNE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE  
1970C Easton Turnpike  
LAKE ARIEL, PA 18436

The regular monthly meeting of the Western Wayne Board of Education was held on September 9, 2019 in the Western Wayne Administration Building located at 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

The meeting was advertised in the legal section of the August 29, 2019 edition of the Wayne Independent.

Board President Bernice Fiorella called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

Mrs. Fiorella offered a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. She also announced that the Board of Education met in Executive session for personnel prior to the 6:00 PM Committee meeting.

Miss Emmett took roll call. Nine (9) Board Members were present and are listed as follows:

Board President – Bernice Fiorella  
Board Vice President – Rick Hoch  
Board Treasurer – Jeffrey Gogolski  
Board Member – Gary Enslin  
Board Member – William Gershey

Board Member – Joseph Gombita  
Board Member – Michael Ochlan  
Board Member – Roger Shaffer, Jr.  
Board Member – Ethan Wood

Solicitor Matthew Meagher was excused.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Dr. Matthew Barrett, Assistant to Superintendent Cindy LaRosa, Business Manager/Board Secretary Rose Emmett, High School Principal Paul Gregorski, Middle School Principal Jennifer Bradley, EverGreen Principal Justin Pidgeon, Robert D. Wilson Principal Maria Miller, Principal of STEAM Elizabeth Watson, Assistant High School Principal Matthew Barr, Assistant Elementary Principal Kerrie Fitzsimmons, Director of Special Education Jennifer DeNike, Assistant Director of Special Education Angela Geyer, Early Intervention Supervisor Elizabeth Gregory, Food Service Director Maria Liptak, Director of Buildings and Grounds Joseph Dunda, and Athletic Director Robert Black.

Technology Director Brian Seaman was excused.

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to accept the minutes generated from the Regular Board Meeting of August 5, 2019.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

### Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Wood to accept the Treasurer's reports generated from the General Account, and the Food Service Account.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

### Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Wood to pay the bills generated from the General Account, and the Food Service Account.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

### Student Recognition

High School Principal Paul Gregorski introduced two outstanding seniors, Kathryn Mattern and Sinclair Ogof. Mrs. Fiorella congratulated them and wished them well in the future.

### Recognition of Public

Gary Geinitz and Hudson Malinowski spoke on behalf of the high school students regarding the ban on backpacks. They spoke about this being a burden on the students and offered many suggestions as alternate ways to make the school safe and still allow backpacks. Many parents also spoke about the ban on backpacks. The Board of Education thanked everyone for their input and said it will be helpful with future decisions.

### Enrollment: DAY #3 – 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

GRADE	EVERGREEN	SN	P	RDW	SN	P	MS	SN	P	HS	SN	P	TOTAL
EARLY INT.		10			8								18
PRE K	58			50									108
KDG	67	15	1	33	8								124
GR. 1	56	15		37	6								114
GR. 2	78	15	1	27	7								128
GR. 3	64	23		27	10								124
GR. 4	61	29		33	9								132
GR. 5	62	20		30	13								125
GR. 6							99	37					136
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,009</b>
GR. 7							108	25	4				137
GR. 8							95	35	5				135
GR. 9										107	25	1	133
GR. 10										123	27	7	157
GR. 11										101	30	5	135
GR. 12										125	31	7	163
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,869</b>

Key: SN – Special Needs, P – Placement outside of District  
Totals: EverGreen-568; RDW-296; MS-405; HS-594 TOTAL 1,863

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve motions 12 through 30 with a note on item 12 that students get in free to sporting events with their school ID.

The motion passed with eight affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Shaffer.

### **12 - Winter Sports Passes/Admission**

The Board of Education approve the Winter Sports Pass System and set admission prices at free for students with school ID and \$3.00 for adults. A Family Pass will cost \$15.00 for the Winter Sports Season home events and a Resident Pass will cost \$10.00 for the Winter Sports Season home events.

### **13 - District Organizational Chart**

The Board of Education approve the District Organizational Chart for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **14 - School Calendar Change**

The Board of Education approve the change in the 2019-2020 school calendar to add the listed early dismissal day for students in order to conduct Act 80 activities with the Professional Staff:

- a. September 25, 2019

### **15 - Handbooks**

The Board of Education approve the following Handbooks to be used for the 2019-2020 school year:

- a. English Language Development (ELD) Handbook
- b. Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS) Handbook

### **16 - Transportation Contracts**

The Board of Education approve the Transportation Contracts for the 2019-2020 school year. ATTACHMENT I

### **17 - Transportation Contractors, Drivers and Substitutes**

The Board of Education approve the attached list of Western Wayne School District Transportation Contractors, Drivers, and Substitutes for the 2019-2020 school year. ATTACHMENT II

### **18 - Transportation – Contract Name change**

The Board of Education approve the following change in the Business name of van contractor Jennifer Pappas to Teresa A. Pappas dba Ledgedale Recreation Area for Vans #49, 86, 123 effective for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **19 - Agreement**

The Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Taylor A. Lutz, BS., Certified Interpreter at a rate of \$40.00 per hour and \$45.00 per hour for nights and weekends for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **20 - Agreement**

The Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and NEIU #19 for Act 48 Credit processing at a rate of \$7.00 per District professional employee for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **21 - Agreement – VIP**

The Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Victims' Intervention Program (VIP) at a cost of \$5,000.00 for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **22 - Service Agreement – Wayne County Drug & Alcohol Commission**

The Board of Education approve an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Wayne County Drug & Alcohol Commission for Prevention Services on a program-funded basis for the sum of \$5,000.00 effective for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **23 - Agreement – Children's Service Center**

The Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Children's Service Center, Milford E. Barnes Jr. School at daily educational rate of \$126.50 and Therapeutic Education Program at \$167.00 per day for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **24 - Agreement – First Hospital, Genesis School**

The Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Commonwealth Health First Hospital, Genesis School at a cost of \$110.00 per day, per student effective August 1, 2019 thru August 1, 2020.

### **25 - Agreement – North Pocono Pre-School Ventures in Learning**

The Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and North Pocono Pre-School (Ventures in Learning) to provide preschool services at the rate of \$25.75 per half day (4.5 hrs) for the amount of days/sessions per the child's IEP effective August 27, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

### **26 - Agreement – Wayne Pike Shine Program**

The Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and the Wayne Pike Workforce Alliance Shine Program to provide students with services authorized by the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) effective July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

## **27 - Facility Use Requests**

The Board of Education approve the listed facility use requests for the 2019-2020 school year with the understanding that the buildings are unavailable if the school is closed for weather, other emergencies or holidays:

- a. EverGreen Elementary - North Pocono Preschool-Hamlin LEAP After-school care – Gail Laskowski, Director.
- b. Robert D. Wilson Elementary - Ages and Stages School Age Enrichment Program - LuAnn DuPlessis, Director.

## **28 - Overnight Trips/Chaperones**

The following overnight trips and chaperones for the 2019-2020 school year:

- a. Pennsylvania Jr Academy of Science State Competition – May 17-19, 2020 – Penn State Main Campus – PJAS students – approximate cost \$380.00. Chaperones: Maria Masankay and Christine McClure
- b. Marching Band – April 3-5, 2020 – Boston, Massachusetts – approximately 86 students – approximate cost \$360.00. Chaperones: Elaine Ort, Maria Arneil, Jessica McLaughlin, Band Parents.
- c. PA FBLA State Leadership Workshop – November 2-4, 2019 – Kalahari Resort approximately 24 students – approximate cost \$801.20. Chaperones: Theresa Lubash and Frances Vitovsky.
- d. PA FBLA State Conference – April 5-8, 2020 – Hershey, PA - # of students TBA approximate cost TBA. Chaperones: Theresa Lubash and Frances Vitovsky.
- e. FBLA National Leadership Conference – June 27-July 3, 2020 – Salt Lake City, UT - # of students TBA approximate cost TBA. Chaperones: Theresa Lubash and Frances Vitovsky.

## **29 - Agreement - edmentum**

The Board of Education approve a contract between Western Wayne School District and edmentum at an approximate cost of \$40,024.75 for the 2019-2020 school year, \$35,524.75 for 2020-2021 school year and \$35,524.75 for 2021-2022 school year for the Western Wayne Virtual Academy program.

## **30 - Personnel**

### **District Substitute List**

The Board of Education approve the following personnel to be added to the District Substitute List for the 2019-2020 school year per Certification, Act 24/34/151/114/153/168 Guidelines, Employment Eligibility Verification - U.S. Department of Justice:

1. Joanne Gries – Area: Guest Teacher
2. Will Jonas – Area: Guest Teacher

**Sabbatical Request**

The Board of Education approve the following Sabbatical Leave of Absence for Restoration of Health request for the 2019-2020 school year:

- 1. PS#01-19-20

**Professional Staff Transfer**

The Board of Education approve the transfer of Dorisa Ferraro, Temporary Professional Employee from part time to full time for the 2019-2020 school year.

**Custodial Transfers**

The Board of Education approve the following custodial transfers:

- 1. Warren Jaggars from EverGreen Elementary 1st shift to Middle School 2nd shift
- 2. Richard Kotchessa from Middle School 2nd shift to EverGreen Elementary 1st shift
- 3. Christopher Ancewicz from High School 2nd shift to Middle School 1st shift

**Appointment – Long Term Substitute**

The Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and District Administrators in the following appointment:

- 1. Linnea Barth – Long Term Substitute – Art/Elementary – Step 1M - Prorated \$55,673.00 – with applicable fringe benefits effective for the 2019-2020 school year.

**Appointment – Custodian**

The Board of Education appoint Edgar L. Graef as a full time Custodian at the starting rate of \$11.00 per hour with applicable fringe benefits effective upon receipt of clearances and employment paperwork.

**Appointment – Coach**

The Board of Education appoint the following to the listed coaching position for the 2019-2020 school year at the salary as listed in the Professional Employees Contract upon receipt of clearances and employment paperwork:

- 1. Spencer Williams                      Basketball, Boys Assistant – 1yr                      \$5,612.00

## Appointment - Advisors

The Board of Education appoint the following to the listed Advisor positions for the 2019-2020 school year at the salary as listed in the Professional Employees Contract:

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|----|--------------|---------------------------------|------------|
| 1. | Cindy Rizzi  | Ass't Varsity Club Advisor-3yrs | \$1,623.00 |
| 2. | Marty O'Hora | Yearbook Advisor – 6yrs         | \$2,268.00 |

## Volunteers

The Board of Education approve the following Volunteers for the 2019-2020 school year:

1. Behnam Bakhshandeh – Girls' Soccer
2. Suzette Basile – Cross Country
3. Gayle Hemmler – EverGreen Elementary
4. Lisa Lopatofsky – Robert D. Wilson Elementary

## Informational Items

### Upcoming Dates

1. September 10, 2019 – Open House - Robert D. Wilson & EverGreen – 6–8:00 PM
2. September 10, 2019 – 7th and 11th Grade Hearing Screening
3. September 11, 2019 – EverGreen K-3 Hearing Screening
4. September 12, 2019 – Robert D. Wilson K-3 Hearing Screening
5. September 13, 2019 – Picture Day – Robert D. Wilson, EverGreen, and MS
6. September 13, 2019 - Homecoming
7. September 16, 2019 – High School Picture Day
8. September 19, 2019 – High School/Middle School Open House – 6:00 PM

### STUDENT TEACHERS/INTERN:

#### MARYWOOD UNIVERSITY:

Intern - **Anthony Gugino** – student trainer – 1<sup>ST</sup> semester – Troy Olsheski, Trainer.

Student Teachers: **Nathan Michener** – Physical Education – October 21, 2019 to November 22, 2019 – Randy Wolff, Middle School; **Thomas Krause** – English – October 22, 2019 to December 6, 2019 – Jessica McLaughlin, Middle School.

KEYSTONE COLLEGE: Student Teacher **Brianna Vinton** – Social Studies – September 3, 2019 to October 21, 2019 Timothy McClure, High School and October 28, 2019 to December 18, 2019 – Shannon Jackson, Middle School.

## Correspondence

None.

## Superintendent's Report

No questions.

## Assistant Superintendent's Report

No questions.

**Principal's Report**

No questions.

**Federal Program Report**

No report.

**Other Business**

Dr. Barrett thanked Brett Branning from Grimm Construction for his work on the Auditorium entrance. It is a beautiful showcase for our Veterans. Mrs. Fiorella thanked Paul Gregorski, Matt Barr, and our SPO's for their help and support of the Fifth Quarter after the home football games. Mr. Hoch mentioned the early morning Pep Rally that was broadcast on WBRE the previous Friday morning. We had a great turnout for such an early morning.

**Future Meetings**

Monday, September 30, 2019 - 6:00 P.M. Board Committee Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436

Monday, October 07, 2019 - 7:00 P.M. Public Board Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Hoch and seconded by Mrs. Fiorella to adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Western Wayne Board of Education at 7:54 P.M.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose E. Emmett  
Board Secretary

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_