

Board Minutes May 6, 2020

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 May 6, 2020 via zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic and was live broadcast over YouTube.

The meeting was advertised in the legal section of the April 28, 2020 edition of the Tri-County Independent.

Board President Bernice Fiorella called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.

Mrs. Fiorella offered a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Board President – Bernice Fiorella	Board Member – William Gershey
Board Vice President – Rick Hoch	Board Member - Joseph Gombita
Board Treasurer – Jeffrey Gogolski	Board Member – Michael Ochlan
Board Member – Dana DeSiato	Board Member – Ethan Wood
Board Member – Gary Enslin	

Solicitor Matthew Meagher was present.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Dr. Matthew Barrett, Assistant to Superintendent Cindy LaRosa, and Business Manager/Board Secretary Rose Emmett.

All other Administrators were excused.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to accept the minutes generated from the Work Session of April 1, 2020 and the Regular Board Meeting of April 1, 2020.

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, the Food Service Account, and the Student Activities Account of January, February and March 2020.

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, the Food Service Account, and the Construction Account.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Public Recognition

Public comment was accepted through email communication to publiccomment@westernwayne.org. This account was monitored throughout the meeting.

Amanda Johnson asked: Considering the Corona virus related unemployment increases and Educational distance learning, does the District have plans to adjust spending for the 2020-2021 school year? Mrs. Fiorella stated that all things are being considered for next year.

Amanda Johnson asked: How will the Public see the budget presentation from Rose and what are some of the capital projects on the list you mentioned? The budget presentation will be broadcast in the same manner as this meeting, via zoom and YouTube on May 13th at 6 PM. Miss Emmett also stated that she did not have the capital projects listing with her at this time, but some of the items are boiler and chiller replacements.

Enrollment Report: March 13, 2020

ENROLLMENT - DAY #124

2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

GRADE	EVERGREEN	SN	P	RDW	SN	P	MS	SN	P	HS	SN	P	TOTAL
EARLY INT.		16			8								24
PRE K	59			51	8								110
KDG	63	16	1	32	8								120
GR. 1	58	16		34	9								117
GR. 2	75	18	1	25	7	1							127
GR. 3	62	24		30	9								125
GR. 4	62	28		33	12								135
GR. 5	62	24		30	13								129
GR. 6							99	36	2				137
TOTAL	441	142	2	235	66	1	99	36	2	0	0	0	1,024
GR. 7							115	25	4				144
GR. 8							98	34	3				135
GR. 9										107	23	2	132
GR. 10										125	27	5	157
GR. 11										100	28	4	132
GR. 12										128	31	6	165
TOTAL	441	142	2	235	66	1	312	95	9	460	109	17	1,889

Key: SN – Special Needs, P – Placement outside of District

Totals: EverGreen-585; RDW-302; MS-416; HS-586 TOTAL: 1,889

March total: 1,878

Mr. Gershey made a motion to approve items 10 through 36 all together but withhold items 13 and 16 and amend items 18 and 19 to state after review by solicitor, the motion was seconded by Mr. Wood.

The motion carried will all affirmatives

10. Approval of the 2019-2020 Graduate List

The Board of Education approved the attached list for 2019-2020 Graduation as presented by High School Principal Mr. Paul Gregorski contingent upon each having satisfactorily completed all school and state requirements by Graduation.
ATTACHMENT I

11. Legislative Representative/Liaison

The Board of Education appointed Bernice Fiorella as PSBA Legislative Representative/Liaison for the 2020-2021 school year.

12. Appointment

The Board of Education appointed Director(s) Bernice Fiorella and Rick Hoch as voting delegate(s) to the PSBA 2020 Delegate Assembly.

14. Board Treasurer's Salary

The Board of Education approve the amount of \$3,000.00 for the Board Treasurer's salary for the 2020-2021 school year.

15. Board Treasurer's Bond

The Board of Education approved the Public Official's Treasurer's Bond at \$25,000.00 for the 2020-2021 school year at an estimated cost of \$250.00.

17. Designation of Depositories

The Board of Education approved the designation of depositories for the 2020-2021, 2021-2022 fiscal years as listed: (Section 621)

- a. Honesdale National Bank
General Fund Interest Bearing Checking Account and Certificates of Deposit.
- b. Wayne Bank
Capital Reserve Fund Account and Certificates of Deposit.
- c. NBT Bank
Payroll Account, Certificates of Deposit, Middle School Account, all Western Wayne High School Accounts including Activities Account, Athletic Account, and National School Lunch Program Account.

18. Real Estate Tax Rebate

The Board of Education approved a Real Estate Tax Rebate in the amount of \$706.60 on property # 12-0-0303-0033 in Lake Township after review by our solicitor. The rebate is due to no well or septic on property.

19. Real Estate Tax Rebate

The Board of Education approved a Real Estate Tax Rebate in the amount of \$17,090.67 on property #28-0-0251-0004.0001 in Waymart Borough after review by our solicitor. The rebate is due to tax exemption as of 1-1-2020.

20. Exoneration of Municipal Tax Collectors

The Board of Education approve the exoneration of the Municipal Tax Collectors from the collection of the 2019 Duplicates.

21. Appointment of Tax Collectors

The Board of Education appointed the following elected Tax Collectors to serve the District for the 2020 duplicate:

- a. Canaan Township Linda Davis, 456 O'Connell Road, Waymart, PA 18472
- b. Clinton Township #1 Marianne Thorpe, 1095 Belmont Turnpike, Waymart, PA 18472
- c. Lake Township Michelle Valentino, 39 Bandits Lane, Lake Ariel, PA 18436
- d. Salem Township *Stephen Wargo, PO Box 687, Hamlin, PA 18427
- e. South Canaan Township Paula Herzog, 467 St. Tikhon's Rd., Waymart, PA 18472
- f. Sterling Township Cindy Hefty, PO Box 99, Sterling PA 18463
- g. Waymart Borough Mary Bosshard, 15 Carbondale Road, Waymart, PA 18472

*Replacement for Marlene Yedinak

22. Transportation – Extra Curricular

The Board of Education awarded Dianne Jenkins the Extra Curricular Transportation Runs for the 2020-2021 school year with Caruth Bus Lines, Inc. as backup on an as needed basis at the following rates: Rate per mile \$3.53 with a minimum for mileage of \$94.23 and a waiting time at the hourly rate of \$12.52 per hour.

23. Appointment - Special Counsel

The Board of Education approved King, Spry, Herman, Freund & Faul, LLC as Special Counsel for Western Wayne School District at the rate of \$170.00 per hour for attorneys and \$95.00 for paraprofessionals on an as needed basis for the 2020-2021 school year.

24. Appointment – District Solicitor

The Board of Education appointed Matthew L. Meagher, Esquire, as District Solicitor at an annual retainer fee of \$750.00 and an hourly rate of \$150.00 for the 2020-2021 school year.

25. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) – Title IX Coordinator

The Board of Education approved the Assistant To Superintendent as ADA Officer and Title IX Coordinator for the Western Wayne School District in compliance with the American Disabilities Act for the 2020-2021 school year.

26. Affirmative Action Compliance Officer

The Western Wayne District Board of Education appoint the Assistant To Superintendent as the District's "Affirmative Action Compliance Officer" for the 2020-2021 school year.

27. Right-to-Know Officer

The Western Wayne District Board of Education appointed the Assistant To Superintendent as the District's "Right-to-Know" Officer for the 2020-2021 school year.

28. LEA Policies and Procedures – IDEA

The Board of Education approved the LEA policies and procedures that adhere to the requirements under the Individual with Disabilities Education Act, Part B (IDEA-B).

30. Contract – Blackboard Connect Inc.

The Board of Education approved a contract between Western Wayne School District and Blackboard Connect Inc. at a cost of \$4,140.00 effective July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

31. Agreement – Scranton School District

The Board of Education approved a contract between Western Wayne School District and Scranton School District for admission to its Monticello School for the 2019-2020 school year, and for any Extended School Year program at the daily rate of \$195.00 per day.

32. Agreement - Wayne Memorial Community Health Centers (previously Pediatric Practices)

The Board of Education approved an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Wayne Memorial Community Health Centers to provide the required Medical Doctor review of the IEP students who are eligible for the Medical Access Program, confirming that services are needed, and further that they are being provided, at the rate of \$15.00/IEP effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

33. Settlement Agreements

The Board of Education adopted the proposed Confidential Settlement Agreement and Releases relating to the following students, in accordance with the terms thereof.

- a. S#03-19-20
- b. S#04-19-20
- c. S#05-19-20

34. Job Description

The Board of Education approved the following job description:

a. Early Intervention Service Coordinator

35. Textbook Approval

The Board of Education approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following Social Studies curriculum.

Elementary	Publisher
My World Interactive (4)	Pearson
My World Interactive (5B)	Pearson
Middle School	
My World Interactive - World History Early Ages	Pearson
Discovering World Geography	McGraw-Hill
High School	
United States History (Grades 8 th /9 th /10 th)	Pearson
Experience History: Interpreting America's Past, 9 th Ed.	McGraw-Hill
World History: The Modern Era	Pearson
World Civilizations- Global Experience; Revised AP Ed.	Pearson
United States Government	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt
Pearson Psychology, 2 nd Ed.	Pearson-Prentice Hall

36. Personnel

a. Resignation/Retirements

The Board of Education accepted the following resignations for retirement purposes effective the end of the 2019-2020 school year:

1. Suzanne Flynn - Art
2. Mary Patricia Jennings – Early Intervention

b. Letters of Assurance

The Board of Education approved the authorization of Reasonable Assurance of Employment letters to be sent out by the Superintendent's Office by June 1, 2020 to substitute teachers, custodial, secretaries - 10 month, cafeteria, teacher aides, library aides, and all approved substitutes as listed on the District Substitute List for 2019-2020 school year with a return required by July 1, 2020 to be included on the 2020-2021 District Substitute List.

c. Hourly/Per Diem Rates for the 2020-2021 school year

The Board of Education set the hourly/per diem rates for the 2020-2021 school year as follows:

1. Substitute Teachers - \$120 per diem – Guest Teachers - \$120 per diem
2. Substitute Teacher Aide - \$9.50 per hour
3. Substitute Secretary - \$10.50 per hour

- 4. Homework Help - \$120 per Diem
- 5. Security - \$19.00 per hour (Minimum of \$40.00 per event)

d. Appointments - 2020-2021 school year

The Board of Education approved the recommendation of the Superintendent and District Administrators in the following appointments:

- 1. Hannah Fornes – Temporary Professional Employee - Music Teacher – Step 3B – \$54,123.00 - with applicable fringe benefits effective for the start of the 2020-2021 school year.
- 2. Starlah Robbins – Long Term Substitute – English – Step 1B – \$53,123.00 – with applicable fringe benefits effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

e. Appointment – Coaching Fall

The Board of Education appointed the following to the listed coaching position for the 2020-2021 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract contingent upon receipt of clearances:

- 1. Tyler Jakes Soccer, Girls Head Coach-1st yr \$5,660.00

f. Appointments – SAP Team Members

The Board of Education approved the following appointments as SAP Team members for the 2020-2021 school Year at the rate listed in the Professional Employees Contract of \$1,309.00:

- 1. Lisa Jacques – Middle School
- 2. Lori Krol
- 3. Josh Rowe
- 4. Vincent Tomassoni
- 5. Joseph Totsky
- 6. Denise Johnson – High School
- 7. Maria Masankay
- 8. Renee Chernin
- 9. Tara Donleavy
- 10. Rachael Palko
- 11. Shelly Jonas
- 12. Kasey Gribble

13. Election of Board Treasurer

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to nominate Jeffrey Gogolski as Board Treasurer for the 2020-2021 School Year in accordance with Section 404 of the Public School Code. Hearing no other nominations, Mrs. Fiorella called for a vote.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

16. Donation of Board Treasurer's Salary

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mrs. Fiorella to approve a donation of the Board Treasurer's salary in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Western Wayne Track Foundation, \$1,000.00 to Western Wayne Co-curricular, and \$1,000.00 to the Wayne County Community Foundation designee EFRP.

Mr. Gogolski added that he would like the funds for the Track Foundation be used to fund the in-door track expenses and the Community Foundation funds are to be used for the feeding the community project and should be issued July 1, 2020. Mr. Gombita commended Mr. Gogolski for his generosity.

The motion carried with all affirmatives,

IMPORTANT DATES

June 12, 2020 – Last Day of School for students

June 23, 2020 – Last Day of School for teachers

Correspondence

None.

Superintendent's Report

No questions.

Assistant to Superintendent's Report

No questions.

Principal's Report

No questions.

Federal Program Report

No report.

Other Business

Mr. Gershey and Mr. Hoch thanked the Administration, especially Matt Barrett, Rose Emmett, and Cindy LaR and all our teachers. Mrs. Fiorella noted that this is Teacher Appreciation Week and wanted to thank all our teachers. She also thanked the school for the support and assistance during the Wayne County Emergency Food Distribution.

Future Meetings (May be held through zoom video conferencing)

May 13, 2020 – 6 PM - Presentation of the Narrative Budget 2020-2021 and General Purposes, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

May 20, 2020 – 6 PM – Adoption of the Tentative Budget 2020-2021 and General Purposes, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436

June 03, 2020 – 6:00 P.M. Board Committee Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel PA 18436

June 10, 2020 - 7:00 P.M. Public Board Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel PA 18436

June 24, 2020 – 6 PM - Final Adoption of the General Fund Budget 2020-2021, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike Lake Ariel PA 18436

Meetings held

April 01, 2020 – 5:00 PM Executive Session for Personnel and Legal; 6:00 PM – Work Session, 7:00 PM Public Board Meeting, Via Zoom video conferencing, 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 7:07 P.M.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rose E. Emmett
Board Secretary

ATTEST: _____

APPROVED: _____