

Board Minutes

March 2, 2022

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 March 2, 2022 at the Western Wayne Administration Building located at 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

The meeting was advertised in the legal section of the February 19, 2022 edition of the Tri-County Independent.

President Rick Hoch called the meeting to order at 6:14 P.M.

Mr. Hoch 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 – Rick Hoch	Board Member – William Gershey
Board Vice President – Dana DeSiato	Board Member – Joseph Gombita
Board Treasurer - Jeffrey Gogolski	Board Member – Michael Ochlan
Board Member – James Collins	Board Member – Ethan Wood
Board Member – Gary Enslin	

Solicitor Brendan Ellis was present.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Dr. Matthew Barrett, Assistant to Superintendent Cindy LaRosa, Business Manager/Board Secretary Rose Emmett, Middle School Principal Jennifer Bradley, EverGreen Principal Justin Pidgeon, Principal of STEAM Elizabeth Watson, Assistant High School Principal Matthew Barr, Assistant Elementary Principal Kerrie Fitzsimmons, Early Intervention Supervisor Elizabeth Gregory, Food Service Director Maria Liptak, Technology Director Brian Seaman, and Athletic Director/Transportation Robert Black.

High School Principal Paul Gregorski, Robert D. Wilson Principal Maria Miller, Director of Special Education Jennifer DeNike, and Supervisor of Pupil Personnel Katie Shemanski, Psy.D. were excused.

5. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Gombita to accept the minutes generated the Board Work Session – February 9, 2022 and the Regular Board Meeting – February 9, 2022.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

6. Treasurer's Reports

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.

7. Approval of Bills

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

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

8. Accounting of Taxes

There were no questions on the Accounting of Taxes.

9. Student Recognition

High School Assistant Principal Mr. Barr, introduced two outstanding students – Morgan Heenan and Ryan Vinton. Mr. Hoch congratulated them on their success and wished them lots of luck in the future.

10. Recognition of Public

Katy Foley, Assistant Manager at Lake Genero informed the Board of Education that Lake Genero is under new management and they want to promote the property and offer space to the District for any functions. They are committed to giving back 10% of proceeds to the Community. She left her contact information for the Administration.

Amanda Johnson had a question on item #14, policy changes. She wanted to know what the updates are. How can the public know what is changing? Dr. Barrett briefly updated the changes to policy 226. She also asked about item #19, the Curriculum Guide. She wanted more information about lesson plans and where can she see this information.

11. Enrollment Report:

ENROLLMENT - DAY #109

2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

GRADE	EVERGREEN	SN	P	RDW	SN	P	MS	SN	P	HS	SN	P	TOTAL
EARLY INT.		13			8								21
PRE K	42			41									83
KDG	56	8	1	39	16	1							121
GR. 1	57	14		41	12								124
GR. 2	67	21		25	12								125
GR. 3	51	21		29	11	1							113
GR. 4	63	17	1	22	15								118
GR. 5	64	17	1	29	12								123
GR. 6							90	40	1				131
TOTAL	400	111	3	226	86	2	90	40	1	0	0	0	959
GR. 7							100	34	0				134
GR. 8							107	33	2				142
GR. 9										118	24	3	145
GR. 10										102	27	6	135
GR. 11										109	20	7	136
GR. 12										120	26	9	155
TOTAL	400	111	3	226	86	2	297	107	3	449	97	25	1,806

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

Totals: EverGreen–514; RDW–314; MS–407; HS–571 TOTAL:1,806

Last Meeting Total: 1,809

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Ochlan to approve a consent block motion for items 12 through 22g.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

12. Fuel Oil Purchase

The Board of Education authorized the Business Manager to solicit bids for the purchasing of fuel oil for the 2022-2023 school year.

13. Tax Rebate

The Board of Education approved a Real Estate Tax Rebate from the 2021-2022 School Year in the amount of \$171.56 on property # 06-1-0221-0007.0002 in Clinton 1 Township. This rebate is the result of an appeal.

14. Review/Revision of Board Policy

The Board of Education approved the review and revision of the following Policy:

Section: 200 Pupils
226 Searches

15. Transportation Drivers and Substitutes

The Board of Education approved the following list of Western Wayne School District Transportation Drivers and Substitutes for the listed contractor for the 2021-2022 school year as follows contingent upon receipt of necessary paperwork:

- a. Contractor Gary Dennis – Drivers Gary Dennis and Patricia Dennis
- b. Contractor Caruth Bus Lines Inc. – Driver Robert Mehne
- c. Contractor Henwood Busing – Driver Karina Pettenger

16. Transportation – New Contract

The Board of Education approved the following New Transportation Contract at State Formula for the 2021-2022 school year:

- a. Contractor Gary Dennis – Van #144 – Waymart to Robert D. Wilson effective February 22, 2022 (taking over previous Yatsonsky Busing van run #123).

17. Transportation Contract - Extension

The Board of Education approved the following Transportation Contract Extension at State Formula for the 2021-2022 school year:

- a. Contractor Don Mickel – Van #70 – Lake Ariel to WWHS Mid-morning run effective February 18, 2022.

18. Overnight Field Trips

The Board of Education approved the following overnight field trips for the 2021-2022 school year:

- a. Robotics District Competition – March 4-6, 2022 – Bridgewater-Raritan High School, Bridgewater, New Jersey – approximately 5 students and Advisor Brian Landry.
- b. Robotics District Competition – April 1-3, 2022 – Bensalem High School, Bensalem, PA – approximately 5 students and Advisor Brian Landry.

19. Curriculum Guide

The Board of Education approved the Western Wayne High School Curriculum Guide for the 2022-2023 school year.

20. Agreement

The Board of Education approved an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Keystone Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services for interpreting services for the 2021-2022 school year.

21. Waivers of Expulsion Hearing and Stipulation

The Board of Education adopted the proposed Waivers of Expulsion Hearing and Stipulation relating to the following students, thereby excluding the students from the Western Wayne School District in accordance with the terms thereof.

- a. S#05-21-22
- b. S#06-21-22
- c. S#07-21-22

22. Personnel

a. District Substitute List

The Board of Education approved the following personnel to be added to the District Substitute List for the 2021-2022 school year per Certification, Act 24/34/151/114/153/168 Guidelines, Employment Eligibility Verification - U.S. Department of Justice, Contingent upon receipt of clearances:

1. Dawn Oliver – Area: TA/Cafeteria

b. Resignations

The Board of Education accepted the following resignations:

1. Susan Pauler – Food Service Administrative Assistant effective March 31, 2022.
2. Lori Lucchesi – FCCLA Advisor effective 2nd semester of the 2021-2022 school year.

c. Appointment of Spring Coaches 2021-2022

The Board of Education appointed the following to the listed Spring Coaching positions for the 2021-2022 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract contingent upon receipt of employment clearances:

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| 1. Makenzie Rose | Softball, Assistant Coach-1st yr | \$3,866.00 |
| 2. Stephen Rovinsky | Baseball, Jr High Coach – 3rd yr | \$3,981.98 |

d. Appointment of Fall Coaches 2022-2023

The Board of Education appointed the following to the listed Fall Coaching positions for the 2022-2023 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract contingent upon receipt of employment clearances:

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| 1. Randy Wolff | Football, Head Coach-7th yr | \$9,620.20 |
| 2. Tim Hess | Football, Assistant Coach-19th yr | \$5,228.14 |
| 3. Shane Grodack | Football, Assistant Coach-15th yr | \$5,228.14 |
| 4. Donald McDonough | Football, Assistant Coach-15th yr | \$5,228.14 |
| 5. David Shimkosky | Football, Assistant Coach-6th yr | \$5,153.09 |
| 6. John Boandl* | Football, Jr. High Coach-6th yr | \$3,435.39 |
| 7. Kevin Roginski* | Football, Jr. High Coach-3rd yr | \$3,402.04 |
| 8. Jason Sauter* | Football, Jr. High Coach-5th yr | \$3,402.04 |

*two positions split 3 ways

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| 9. Kaitlyn Torquati | Cheerleading, Varsity Football-3rd yr | \$4,382.94 |
| 10. Laura Wojnar | Cross Country, Head Coach-4th yr | \$4,409.46 |
| 11. Marty O’Hora | Golf-7th yr | \$4,042.75 |
| 12. Charles Bayly | Soccer, Head Coach Boys- 3rd yr | \$6,115.92 |
| 13. Tyler Jakes | Soccer, Head Coach Girls – 3rd yr | \$6,115.92 |
| 14. Luke Gregory | Soccer, 7th & 8th Girls - 3rd yr | \$2,732.58 |
| 15. R. Darren Thorpe | Volleyball, Head Coach Girls-17th yr | \$4,794.46 |

e. Appointment of Advisors

The Board of Education appointed the following to the listed advisor positions for the second semester of 2021-2022 school year at the pro-rated salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract:

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| 1. Dawn Krautter – Middle School Student Government Co-Advisor | \$ 582.50 |
| 2. Maria Masankay – FCCLA Advisor | \$1,111.00 |
| 3. Megan Robinson – Custodian of Student Accounts | \$1,545.50 |

f. Appointment – Food Service

The Board of Education approved the appointment of Kristen Theobald as a part time Food Service Worker – 5 hours/day with no fringe benefits at \$11.50 per hour effective March 7, 2022.

g. Approval – Volunteers

The Board of Education approved the following to the list of volunteers for the 2021-2022 school year contingent upon receipt of clearances:

1. Mike Kulick – Jr High Baseball
2. Joseph Rovinsky – Jr High Baseball

23. Informational Items:

IMPORTANT DATES – March 2022

1. March 04, 2022 – Sports Physicals
2. March 04, 2022 – VIP Body Safety Presentation EverGreen K & 3rd Grades
3. March 10-12, 2022 – PMEA Region Band
4. March 14-18, 2022 – PreK/Kindergarten Registration – RDW & EverGreen
5. March 16, 2022 – Bus Evacuation Drill (rain date 3/17/22)
6. March 18, 2022 – Noon Dismissal – Act 80 Day
7. March 19, 2022 – Drama Club Cast Breakfast Drive-Thru – HS Parking lot 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM
8. March 24-26, 2022 – PMEA Region Chorus

Western Wayne would like to thank The Hideout for their donation of food and personal hygiene products to the District Food Pantry.

Correspondence

None.

Superintendent's Report

No questions.

Assistant Superintendent's Report

No questions.

Principal's Reports

No questions.

Federal Program Report

No report.

Other Business

Dr. Barrett read a thank you note from The Wildcat Wrestling Club to the Board and Administration for their assistance with the fundraiser for Coach Scott Rush.

Future Meetings

Wednesday, March 30, 2022 - 6:00 P.M. - Board Work Session, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, PA 18436

Wednesday, April 06, 2022 - 6:00 P.M. - Public Board Meeting, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, PA 18436

Meetings Held

Wednesday, February 9, 2022 – 6:00 P.M. – Board Work Session followed by the Regular monthly meeting. Executive Session for Personnel and Legal followed the regular Board meeting.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Enslin and seconded by Mr. Hoch to adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Western Wayne Board of Education at 6:48 P.M.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rose E. Emmett
Board Secretary

ATTEST: _____

APPROVED: _____

