

# Board Minutes July 25, 2024

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

The Special meeting for General Purposes of the Western Wayne Board of Education was held on July 25, 2024, 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 July 23, 2024 edition of the Tri-County Independent.

President William Gershey called the meeting to order at 6:16 P.M.

Mr. Gershey offered a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Miss Emmett took roll call. (7) Board Members were present and are listed as follows:

Board President - William Gershey  
Board Vice President – Joseph Gombita  
Board Treasurer – Dana DeSiato  
Board Member – Angela Booths  
Board Member – James Collins  
Board Member – Christina Hinz  
Board Member – Kerin Weinberger

Board Members –Michael Ochlan (vote proxy to Mrs. DeSiato) and Ethan Wood (vote proxy to Mr. Gombita) were excused.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Dr. Matthew Barrett and Business Manager/Board Secretary Rose Emmett. All other Administrators were excused.

The Board of Education met in executive session for personnel prior to this meeting.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeSiato and seconded by Mr. Collins to approve a consent block motion for items 5 through 7-f, with correction to 7-c 3 (exclude early intervention).

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

## 5. Performance Contract Scope and Cost

The Board of Education approved the scope of the Guaranteed Energy Savings Performance contract amendment with CM3 Building Solutions, Inc. for a cost not to exceed \$61,170.00.

6. Agreement – Head Start

The Board of Education approved the joint educational partnership between Western Wayne School District and the Agency for Community Empowerment of NEPA, Head Start Program effective July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

7. Personnel

a. Appointment – Middle School Principal

The Board of Education appointed Casey Newcomer as Middle School Principal in accordance with the Act 93 Agreement effective upon release of current employment.

b. Transfer – Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

The Board of Education approved the transfer of Carrie Williams to the position of Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent in accordance with the Technology/Administrative Non-Act 93 Agreement effective immediately.

c. Appointments – Temporary Professional Employees

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

1. Andrew Wetzel – Temporary Professional Employee – ELA Teacher – Step 1B- \$62,863.00 with applicable fringe benefits effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year.
2. Anna Bonsick – Temporary Professional Employee – Elementary Education Robert D. Wilson – Step 1B- \$62,863.00 with applicable fringe benefits effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year.
3. Teresa Vieira – Temporary Professional Employee – Speech Language Pathologist Special Education Step 1M- \$67,413.00 with applicable fringe benefits effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year.
4. Courtney Smargiassi – Temporary Professional Employee – Special Education – Step 1M- \$67,413.00 with applicable fringe benefits effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

d. Appointment - Paraprofessional

The Board of Education appointed the following as a Paraprofessional with applicable fringe benefits effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year contingent upon receipt of employment paperwork and updated clearances:

1. Danielle Roberts - -Special Education Paraprofessional-\$16.00 per hour with applicable fringe benefits effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

e. Resignation - Student Assistance Program

The Board of Education accepted the following resignation:

1. Jessica Fullwood –MS SAP Team member – effective July 1, 2024.

f. Appointment – Student Assistance Program

The Board of Education approved the following appointment as SAP Team member for the 2024-2025 school year at the rate listed in the Professional Employees Contract of \$1,470.00 plus experience:

1. Vincent Tomassoni – MS SAP Team member - 7th Year \$1,514.10

8. Informational Items – An Executive Session for personnel was held prior to the meeting at 5:30 PM.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Gombita and seconded by Mrs. DeSiato to adjourn the special meeting of the Western Wayne Board of Education at approximately 6:19 P.M.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose E. Emmett  
Board Secretary

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