

**WESTERN WAYNE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
1970C EASTON TURNPIKE
LAKE ARIEL PA 18436**

MEMORANDUM

TO: All School Board Members
FROM: Matthew Barrett, Ed.D., Superintendent
SUBJECT: AGENDA - Board Meeting
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.
District Board Room - Administration Building

1. Call to Order William Gershey, Board President
2. Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call

BOARD

___ William Gershey, President
___ Joseph Gombita, Vice President
___ Dana DeSiato, Treasurer
___ Angela Booths
___ James Collins
___ Christina Hinz
___ Matthew Nied
___ Kerin Weinberger
___ Ethan Wood

SOLICITOR

___ Brendan Ellis

ADMINISTRATION

___ Matthew Barrett, Ed.D., Superintendent
___ Cynthia LaRosa, Ph.D., Ass't Superintendent
___ Rose Emmett, Business Manager/Board Secretary
___ Robert Black, High School Ass't Principal
___ Jennifer DeNike, Ed.D., Dir. of Special Education
___ Kerrie Fitzsimmons, EverGreen Ass't Principal
___ Elizabeth Gregory, Early Intervention Supervisor
___ Paul Gregorski, High School Principal
___ Mary Hoover, TNG Food Service Director
___ Tyler Jakes, Athletic Director
___ Michael Motsko, Ass't Dir. of Special Education
___ Casey Newcomer, Middle School Principal
___ Justin Pidgeon, EverGreen Principal
___ Brian Seaman, Technology Director
___ Elizabeth Watson, Ed.D., Robert D. Wilson Principal
___ Curt Yenchik, Middle School Ass't Principal

5. Approval of Minutes
Board work session - June 10, 2026
Regular Board meeting - June 10, 2026
6. Treasurer's Report
General Account
Student Activities Account - April, May, June 2026
7. Approval of Bills - Prepaid and Current
General Account
Food Service Account
Construction Account

8. Recognition of visitors and comments on agenda items only - 15 minutes

9. Western Wayne Emergency and Hazards Guide

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Western Wayne Emergency and Hazards Guide. This guide is subject to change and will be reviewed and revised as needed.

10. Authorization

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the Wayne Bank Bank to process Automated Clearing House (ACH) transactions from our General Fund Account to Honesdale National Bank for the payment of interest and principal on all bond payments that come due during the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

11. Service Contracts

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached list of Service Contracts all for a one-year period commencing August 01, 2026.

ATTACHMENT I

12. Memorandum of Understanding

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a memorandum of understanding between Western Wayne School District and the Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19 for Title III Consortium Funds.

13. Memorandum of Understanding

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a memorandum of understanding between Western Wayne School District and Wayne County Children & Youth Services to collaborate on the development of a comprehensive transportation plan that ensures children in foster care receive appropriate, coordinated, and funded transportation services for the 2026-2027 school year.

14. Agreement - McKinney-Vento

Western Wayne School District agrees to comply with the requirements and goals of Pennsylvania's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH) Program to educate entities/staff to identify and work with McKinney-Vento students to ensure they have full and equal opportunity to succeed in school, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

15. Transportation Contracts

It is recommended that the Board of Education award the Transportation Contracts for the 2026-2027 school year. **ATTACHMENT II**

16. Transportation Drivers and Substitutes

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached list of Western Wayne School District Transportation Drivers and Substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year. **ATTACHMENT II**

17. Agreement - PATH

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and PA Treatment & Healing (PATH) at a daily tuition rate of \$115.00, Special Education AEDY rate of \$125.00, and Virtual Learning rate of \$120.00 effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

18. Agreement - Northeast Pennsylvania Center for Independent Living

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Northeast Pennsylvania Center for Independent Living (MyCIL) at an annual half day services fee of \$21,500.00 and annual full day services fee of \$36,000.00 per student effective August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027.

19. Agreement - VIP

It is recommended that 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 2026-2027 school year.

20. Agreement - edmentum

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a contract between Western Wayne School District and edmentum for Courseware: Comprehensive Library at an approximate cost of \$14,576.25, effective September 7, 2026 through September 6, 2027; and Study Island: ELA Library at an approximate cost of \$1,325.00 effective August 2, 2026 through August 1, 2027.

21. Agreement - Danielle R. Clancey

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Danielle R. Clancey for Sign Language Interpreting Services for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of \$47.00 per hour for regular school days; \$49.00 per hour for after school activities; and \$51.00-\$56.00 per hour for weekends and national holidays.

22. Agreement - Deveraux Advanced Behavioral Health

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health to provide programs including Functional Skills Acquisition, Personal Needs, Communication Skills, and Personal Adjustment at a rate of \$34.00 to \$70.00 per hour effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

23. Agreement - New Story

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an agreement between Western Wayne School District and New Story for related services, depending on student needs as described in the Individualized Education Plan, at tuition rates of \$340.00; \$385.00; or \$440.00 per day effective August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027.

24. Agreement - ProCare Therapy

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an agreement between Western

Wayne School District and ProCare Therapy to provide supplemental staffing, recruiting, and candidate referral services effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

25. Agreement - Overtime Performance Training

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Overtime Performance Nutrition LLC, DBA Overtime Performance Training for strength and conditioning services for students in grades 6-12 in the amount of \$35.00 per hour for 470 hours of training during the school year and 60 hours during the summer, effective August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027.

26. Agreement - Lackawanna College

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Lackawanna College Division of Health Sciences for Student Nurses effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

27. Agreement - Guide Light, Limited

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Guide Light, Limited for Counseling and Support services at a rate of \$475.00 per day effective the 2026-2027 school year.

28. Maintenance Contract - Ames Janitorial Services

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Ames Janitorial Services to provide substitute cleaning staff when needed within the custodial staff. Services will be performed based on our needs at a cost of \$30.00 per man hour.

29. A la Carte Price List and Adult Meal Prices

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Cafeteria A la Carte and Adult Meal Prices for the 2026-2027 school year: **ATTACHMENT III**

30. Policies

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the second and final reading of the following policy:

805.3 Use of Force

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the recommended policy updates to the following policy:

918 Title I Parental/Family Engagement

31. Settlement Agreements and Release

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Settlement Agreements and Release between Western Wayne School District and the following:

- a. S# 02-26-27
- b. S# 03-26-27

32. Handbooks

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Handbooks to be used for the 2026-2027 school year subject to change due to related policies and procedures:

- a. Teacher Handbooks
- b. Student Handbooks
- c. Coaches and Advisors Handbook and Student Activities Handbook
- d. Personal Service Providers Handbook
- e. Para educator Handbook
- f. Bus/Van Contractors Handbook
- g. PBIS Behavior Handbook

33. Building Use Approval

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following building use requests for the 2026-2027 school year:

- a. EverGreen PTA Book Fair Family Night - November 5, 2026 - 4:30-7:30 p.m. - EverGreen Elementary classroom.
- b. EverGreen PTA Book Fair Family Night - March 4, 2027 - 4:30-7:30 p.m. - EverGreen Elementary classroom.

34. Personnel

a. Retirement

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the following retirement:

- 1. Thomas Lodini - Computer Science - Effective August 24, 2026.

b. Resignations

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the following resignations:

- 1. Tara Morcom - Elementary Guidance Counselor - Effective August 21, 2026.
- 2. Catherine Kenney - Food Service Worker - Effective June 5, 2026.
- 3. Maria Howard-Markoulli - Paraprofessional - Effective August 14, 2026.

c. Appointment - Special Education Teacher

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and District Administrators in the appointment of Angelina Servino - Temporary Professional Employee - Special Education Teacher - Step 1B - with applicable fringe benefits at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract of \$67,836.00 effective the start of the 2026-2027 school year pending receipt of employment paperwork.

d. Appointment - Elementary Guidance Counselor

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and District Administrators in the appointment of Jade Flynn - Professional Employee - Elementary Guidance Counselor - Step 1M - with applicable fringe benefits at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract of \$72,386.00 effective the start of the 2026-2027 school year pending receipt of employment paperwork.

e. Appointment - Food Service Workers

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint the following to the listed position, with no fringe benefits, at the amount listed:

- 1. Maria Sequeira - Part-Time Food Service Worker \$15.75/hour

f. Appointment - Advisors/SAP Team

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint the following to the listed

position for the 2026-2027 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract:

1. Matthew Fitzsimmons - HS SAP Team - 4 th year	\$1,598.34
2. Alysia Verrill - HS SAP Team - 3 rd year	\$1,598.34
3. Morgan Sledzinski - HS SAP Team - 1 st year	\$1,567.00
4. Carrie Wittenbrader - HS Yearbook - 1 st year	\$6,396.00
5. Robyn Woehrle - MS Memory Book Advisor - 1 st year	\$1,888.00

g. Appointment - Mentors

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint the following Mentors for the 2026-2027 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract:

Mentor	Mentee	Salary
Matthew Fitzsimmons - WW 1 Of 1	Jade Flynn	\$266.50/split
Mary Beth Grandinetti - WW 1 of 1	Tracey Hess	\$266.50/split
Courtney Rosenkrans - WW 1 Of 1	Tracey Hess	\$266.50/split
Theodore Macdonough - WW 1 of 1	Shari Franklin	\$533.00
Rebecca Banik - WW 1 of 1	Lauryn Kobrynich	\$533.00
Julie Conklin - WW 1 of 1	Karleigh Lukasik	\$533.00
Lori Krol - WW 1 of 1	Morgan Sledzinski	\$533.00
Jill Mackarey - 1 st Year	Gianna Volpe	\$1,943.00
Cara Romanski - 1 st Year	Ellen Fago	\$1,943.00
Sara Lowe - 1 st Year	Angelina Servino	\$1,943.00

h. Appointment

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Ann Marie Rainey as Musical Vocal Director at a rate of \$4,419.22 effective September 2026 through June 2027.

i. Appointments - Coaching

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following to the coaching position listed for the 2026-2027 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees contract pending receipt of employment paperwork:

1. Richard Walker - Girls Wrestling, Head Coach - 1 st year	\$9,827.00
2. Jeffrey Tscheschlog - Boys Soccer, Jr. High (7,8,9) - 1 st year	\$3,027.00

j. Hourly/Per Diem Rates

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the hourly/per diem rates for the 2026-2027 school year as follows:

1. ESS Employees

- Substitute Teacher and Guest Teacher- \$120.00 per diem
- Half Day Substitute Teacher/Guest Teacher \$60.00 per diem
- Substitute Nurse \$120.00 per diem
- Half Day Substitute Nurse \$60.00 per diem
- Substitute Paraprofessional \$15.00 per hour
- Substitute Secretary \$15.00 per hour
- Substitute Custodian \$15.00 per hour
- Substitute Food Service \$15.00 per hour
- Homework Help - \$120.00 per Diem

2. Western Wayne Employees

- Security - \$20.00 per hour (Minimum of \$40.00 per event)
- School Police Officers/Armed Security Officers - \$33.50 per hour

- k. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the correction for Christine Kucera, Food Service Worker from full-time employment to part-time at the hourly rate of \$15.75/hour with no fringe benefits.
- l. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following to the list of volunteers for the 2026-2027 school year:
1. Theresa Black - Color Guard/Marching Band/Drama
 2. Krystal Buehring - Color Guard/Drama
 3. Frank Denunzio - Color Guard/Marching Band/Drama
 4. Phillip Erb - Color Guard/Marching Band/Drama
 5. Stephanie French - Color Guard/Marching Band/Drama/RDW PTA/Athletics Helper
 6. Gina Knecht - Color Guard/Marching Band/Drama
 7. Lester Maxwell - Drama
 8. Sheila Litzenbauer - EverGreen PTA
 9. Kennedy Mistishin - Athletics - Girls Soccer
 10. Jenny Narvaez - Color Guard/Marching Band/Drama
 11. Jacqueline Vass - Marching Band/Drama
 12. Jaclyn Williams - EverGreen PTA
 13. Robin Edwards - EverGreen PTA
 14. Larissa Warholc - EverGreen PTA

35. Informational Items:

- a. **STUDENT TEACHER** - Makenzi Jashembowski - **The University of Scranton** - Mary Beth Grandinetti, Grade 4 EverGreen Elementary.

STUDENT TEACHER - Emma Ryan - **The University of Scranton** - Catherine Henneforth, Grade 4, EverGreen Elementary.

b. UPCOMING DATES:

August 10, 2026	First Day of Fall Sports
August 18, 2026	EverGreen AM Pre-K Meet and Greet 9:00-11:00 a.m.
August 18, 2026	Middle School 6 th Grade Orientation 6:00-8:00 p.m.
August 21, 2026	RDW Pre-K Open House 9:00-11:00 a.m.
August 26, 2026	Freshman Orientation 5:00 p.m.-Veterans Memorial Auditorium
August 27, 2026	First Day of School
August 28, 2026	Home Opener-Western Wayne vs. Lackawanna Trail - 7:00 p.m.
September 3, 2026	EverGreen Open House 5:00-7:00 p.m.
September 4 & 7, 2026	NO School - Labor Day Holiday

36. Correspondence

37. Federal Program Report

38. Other Business

39. Recognition of visitors and comments on Non-Agenda items only - 15 minutes

40. Future Meetings:

Wednesday, September 2, 2026 - 6:00 p.m. Public Board Meeting, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

41. Meetings Held:

Wednesday, June 10, 2026 - 6:00 p.m. - Board Work Session followed by the Regular Monthly Board Meeting, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

42. Adjournment - Board Policy - 11:00 p.m.