

Board Minutes June 27, 2016

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 June 27, 2016 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 June 15, 2016 edition of the Wayne Independent.

Board President Donald Olsommer called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Miss Faliskie offered a prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Secretary Rose Emmett took roll call. (8) Board Members were present and are listed as follows:

Board President – Donald Olsommer Jr.	Board Member – Bernice Fiorella
Board Vice President – William Gershey	Board Member – Andrew Gaudenzi
Board Treasurer - Jeffrey Gogolski	Board Member – Rick Hoch
Board Member – Gary Enslin	Board Member - Roger Shaffer Jr.

Board Member– Donald McDonough was excused.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Joseph W. Adams, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Matthew Barrett, Business Manager/Board Secretary Rose Emmett, Middle School Principal Kristen Donohue, EverGreen Principal Ellen Faliskie, Assistant High School Principal Paul Gregorski, Assistant Middle School Principal Elizabeth Watson, Director of Special Education Cynthia LaRosa, Assistant Director of Special Education Mary Jo Price, Early Intervention Supervisor Elizabeth Gregory, Food Service Director Maria Liptak, and Technology Director Brian Seaman.

Administrators Excused: High School Principal Paul T. Blaum, and Robert D. Wilson Principal Maria Miller.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mrs. Fiorella to accept the minutes generated from the Regular Board Meeting on May 23, 2016.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Treasurer's Report

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

The motion carried with six affirmative and two no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi and Mr. Shaffer.

Approval of Bills

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

The motion carried with six affirmative and two no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi and Mr. Shaffer.

Recognition of Public

Linda Herman, a South Canaan resident, stated that her property taxes are too high and she cannot pay her taxes anymore.

Roger Shaffer, Sr. stated that he cannot continue to pay high taxes.

Richard Gaylord stated that it is time for zero tax increase, we must cut to stay within our limits.

Mr. Adams said that the tax increase that is proposed covers our share of the PSERS increase.

Amanda Johnson asked Mr. Adams about getting the legislators here to talk finances with the public in an open forum. He will try and arrange something in the future.

Final Adoption of the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Hoch to adopt the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Final Budget showing estimated available resources of \$46,887,133.00 and estimated expenditures and ending fund balance in the amount of \$46,887,133.00 establishing real estate tax millage of 16.7024 with a 2% discount if the whole amount of the tax is paid within two months after the date of the tax notice; payment at face if the tax is paid within two months following the end of the discount period; penalty of 10% on all taxes not paid within four months after the date of the tax notice. (ATTACHMENT – I)

Mr. Shaffer stated that he is against the budget. We offer a premium education and people move out, our economy is dying and we must live a meager lifestyle. Mr. Gaudenzi stated he won't vote to raise taxes; the system is broken.

The motion carried with five affirmatives and three no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi, Mr. Enslin, and Mr. Shaffer in a roll call vote.

Final Adoption of the 2016-2017 Real Estate Tax Millage

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Hoch to adopt as final the Real Estate Tax rate of 16.7024 with a 2% discount if the whole amount of tax is paid within two months after the date of the notice; payment at face if the tax is paid within two months following the end of the discount period; penalty of 10% on all taxes not paid within four months after the date on the tax notice with taxes to be paid to the tax collectors by 12/31/16.

Mr. Shaffer asked if the penalty has to be 10%? Mr. Adams and Ms. Emmett felt that was the normal percentage but was not completely sure if it was a requirement.

The motion carried with six affirmatives and two no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi and Mr. Shaffer.

Final Adoption of the 2016-2017 Tax Resolutions

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Gershey to adopt as final the tax Resolutions establishing the 2015-2016 Act 511 Real Estate Transfer Tax at the rate of one-half (1/2) of one (1) percent. (ATTACHMENT II)

The motion carried with six affirmatives and two no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi and Mr. Shaffer.

Homestead/Farmstead Resolution

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve the attached Homestead/Farmstead Resolution: (ATTACHMENT III)

Mr. Gaudenzi stated that the State continues to spend this gambling money on other items and not give it to the schools. He will vote no because we do not get enough from the State.

The motion carried with six affirmatives and two no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi and Mr. Shaffer.

Second Reading – Adoption of Board Policies

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Hoch to consider the adoption of the Following Policies – Second Reading:

- a. 103 Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
- b. 246 Student Wellness
- c. 626.1 Travel Reimbursement – Federal Program
- d. 827 Conflict of Interest

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Year End Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Enslin and seconded by Mr. Gershey to authorize the Board Treasurer and Business Manager to review purchase orders and bills payable for the end of this fiscal year and approve the payment of 2015-2016 purchase orders or contracts which are in order and ready for payment. Bills processed under this authorization will be reported to the Board of Education at the August Board Meeting.

The motion carried with seven affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Gaudenzi.

July Accounts Payable

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Gershey to authorize the Board Treasurer and Business Manager to approve payment of the July 2016 General Fund Accounts Payable and Payroll with a report to the Board of Education at the August Board Meeting.

The motion carried with seven affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Gaudenzi.

Fund Balance Designation

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve the recommendation of the Business Manager to designate a portion of our ending 2015-2016 Fund Balance, if necessary, to manage future budgets as per Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 54 (GASB 54). Amount to be determined based on final adjusted balances as reflected in our Annual Financial Report.

The motion carried with seven affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Gaudenzi.

Affordable Care Act Renewal Agreement

A motion was made by Mr. Shaffer and seconded by Mr. Gogolski to approve a renewal agreement between Western Wayne School District and US Employee Benefits Services Group to provide full ACA Consulting and Reporting Services at an ongoing monthly cost of \$1.05 per employee per month effective October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

The motion carried with seven affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Gaudenzi.

Summer Transportation Contracts

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve the Transportation Contract for the Extended School Year Program, Summer 2016, for the following contractor's contingent upon enrollment at State Formula:

- a. Tia Strada – Van #39 – Waymart to EverGreen – June 20,22,27 & 29, 2016
- b. Joann Butler – Van #38 – Waymart to Honesdale – Monday, Wednesday, Friday, May 27, 2016 – June 6, 2016; and ESY - The Hideout to Honesdale – Monday thru Friday - June 20,2016 to August 12, 2016.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Addendum to Curriculum Guide

A motion was made by Mr. Shaffer and seconded by Mr. Gaudenzi to table the Addendum to the Curriculum Guide motion, after some discussion the motion to table did not pass with three affirmatives and five no votes by Mr. Gershey, Mr. Hoch, Mrs. Fiorella, Mr. Olsommer and Mr. Enslin.

A motion was then made by Mr. Shaffer and seconded by Mr. Gershey to approve the following addendum to the 2016-2017 Curriculum Guide:

- a. AP Computer Science Principles

Mr. Shaffer asked about the pre-requisites, he does not agree with them.

The motion carried with seven affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Shaffer.

Dual Enrollment – Lackawanna College

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Gogolski to approve the Dual Enrollment Agreement between Western Wayne School District and Lackawanna College for the agreed upon courses for the 2016-2017 school year.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Federal Program Allocations

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve filing applications for Federal Program allocations for the 2016-2017 school year as follows:

- a. Title I Reading
- b. Title IIA Class Size Reduction

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Early Intervention Assurance

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Gershey to approve the Early Intervention Assurance for the Operation of Special Education Services and Programs for the 2016-2017 program year.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Memorandum of Understanding

A motion was made by Mr. Hoch and seconded by Mr. Gershey to approve a Special Education Memorandum of Understanding among the Wayne Highlands, Wallenpaupack Area and Western Wayne School Districts.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Memorandum of Understanding

A motion was made by Mr. Enslin and seconded by Mr. Gogolski to approve the Memorandum of Understanding among Western Wayne School District and NEIU#19 for the Title III Consortia for the 2016-2017 school year.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

School Lunches/Breakfast

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve the Cafeteria meal prices for the 2016-2017 school year as listed and the Cafeteria `A la Carte Prices for the 2016-2017 school year: (ATTACHMENT-IV):

Breakfast, Elem	\$1.25 with milk
Breakfast, M.S.	\$1.25 with milk
Breakfast, H.S.	\$1.25 with milk
Reduced	\$.30 with milk
Breakfast, Adult	\$2.25 with milk

Elementary	\$2.25 with Milk
Middle School	\$2.65 with Milk
High School	\$2.65 with Milk
Adult	\$3.40 with Milk
Reduced(PreK-12)	\$.40 with Milk

The motion carried with seven affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Gaudenzi.

Purchase of Bread

A motion was made by Mr. Shaffer and seconded by Mr. Gershey to authorize Food Service Manager Maria Liptak to purchase bread from Rockland Bakery for the 2016-2017 school year.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Purchase of Milk

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Hoch to authorize Food Service Manager Maria Liptak to purchase milk from Pocono Mountain Dairy for the 2016-2017 school year at the PA Milk Marketing Board minimum.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Handbooks

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve the revisions to the High School and Middle School Student/Parent Handbooks to be used for the 2016- 2017 school year.

The motion carried with seven affirmatives and one no vote from Mr. Gaudenzi.

Waiver of Expulsion Hearing and Stipulation

A motion was made by Mr. Hoch and seconded by Mr. Gogolski to adopt the proposed Waiver of Expulsion Hearing and Stipulation relating to the following student, thereby excluding the student from the Western Wayne School District in accordance with the terms thereof.

- a. S#01-16-17

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Personnel

Substitute List

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Gershey to approve the following personnel to be added to the District Substitute List for the 2015-2016 school year per Certification, Act 24/34/151/114 Guidelines, Employment Eligibility Verification-U.S. Department of Justice:

- 1. Anthony Besciglia – Area: Custodial

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Resignations

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Hoch to accept the following resignations:

- 1. Carol Williams, Food Service effective May 28, 2016.
- 2. David Rupp, Middle School TSA Advisor

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Appointment

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Gershey to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and District Administrators in the following appointment:

- 1. David Shimkosky - Virtual Learning Teacher – Step 3M - \$52,339.00 - with applicable fringe benefits effective for the 2016-2017 school year.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Appointment

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Gershey to appoint Bryant Decker as an intern with the Technology Department at \$11.00 per hour effective for the 2016-2017 school year, contingent upon receipt of clearances. Bryant is currently a student at Pennsylvania State University.

Mr. Gaudenzi stated he will not vote for this; it is a luxury we cannot afford.

The motion carried with six affirmatives and two no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi and Mr. Shaffer.

Appointment of Mentors 2016-2017

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. Hoch to appoint the following mentors for the 2016-2017 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract:

MENTOR PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE SALARY

Sara Lowe Taryn Marchise \$1,488.00

Mr. Gaudenzi was glad we were able to eliminate two additional mentor positions, but he will still vote no, as he is opposed to the program.

The motion carried with six affirmatives and two no votes from Mr. Gaudenzi and Mr. Shaffer.

Appointment of Coaches

A motion was made by Mr. Gaudenzi and seconded by Mr. Hoch to appoint the following to the listed coaching positions for the 2016-2017 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract:

1. Colleen Carmody	Co-Cheerleading, Varsity Football	\$1,735.00
2. Andrew Bennie	*Basketball Boys Assistant *	\$4,000.00
3. Brendan Wahl	*Basketball Boys, Assistant*	\$1,290.00
4. Jamie Armillay	Basketball, Boys Jr. High 9th	\$3,801.00
5. Matthew Fitzsimmons	Basketball, Boys Jr. High 8th	\$3,801.00
6. Nate Taylor	Basketball, Boys Jr. High 7th	\$3,801.00
7. Bryce Baumgardner	Soccer, Girls 7th & 8th	\$2,149.00

*one position shared by two coaches

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Appointment - Volunteers

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Hoch to approve the following to the list of volunteers:

1. Justin Collins – Cross Country
2. Trina Carito – Cross Country
3. Donald Foote – Cross Country
4. Sarah Skirpan – Cross Country
5. Stephen Semenza – Boys Basketball

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Informational Items:

Congratulations to the Marching Band for attending the Waymart Borough Parade and being awarded the Pride and Patriotism plaque.

Correspondence

None

Federal Program Report

No report.

Other Business

Mr. Hoch expressed his appreciation of Mr. Adams for his landscaping work and donation of materials at the District Office entrance. Mr. Adams said that he was assisted by Mr. Seaman and Mr. Sutton. The Board congratulated the TSA and FBLA groups on their statewide success and wished them well at the national competition. Mrs. Fiorella also said she is grateful to our tax payers for being able to have these programs. Mr. Shaffer is glad we are balancing our support of academics and sports. Mr. Gaudenzi congratulated Coach Terenzio for Tennis Coach of the Year and Ryan Atcavage as Scranton Times Volleyball Player of the Year.

Future Meetings:

July Regular Monthly Meeting – The Board of Education will recess for the month of July.

July 25, 2016 - 6:00 P.M. - Board Committee Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

August 01, 2016 - 7:00 P.M. Public Board Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436

Meeting held:

June 20, 2016 – 6:00 P.M. Board Committee Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Hoch and seconded by Mr. Shaffer to adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Western Wayne Board of Education at 8:34 P.M.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose E. Emmett
Board Secretary

ATTEST: _____

APPROVED: _____