

Board Minutes November 2, 2015

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 November 2, 2015 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 October 23, 2015 edition of the Wayne Independent.

Board President Alvin Hollister called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

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

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

Board President – Alvin Hollister	Board Member – Jeffrey Gogolski
Board Vice President – Donald Olsommer Jr.	Board Member – David Lindow
Board Treasurer - William Gershey	Board Member - Donald McDonough
Board Member Bernice Fiorella	Board Member – Doris Pliss
Board Member – Andrew Gaudenzi	

Administrators Present: Superintendent Joseph W. Adams, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Matthew Barrett, Business Manager/Board Secretary Rose Emmett, High School Principal Paul T. Blaum, Middle School Principal Kristen Donohue, EverGreen Principal Ellen Faliskie, Robert D. Wilson Principal Maria Miller, 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

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Pliss and seconded by Mr. Gershey to accept the minutes generated from the Regular Board Meeting on October 5, 2015.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mrs. Fiorella to accept the Treasurer's reports generated from the General Account, the Food Service Account, and the Student Activities Account-July, August and September 2015.

The motion carried with eight affirmatives and one no vote by Mr. Gaudenzi.

Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mr. McDonough to pay the bills generated from the General Account and the Food Service Account.

Mr. Gaudenzi stated he opposes all bills because of nepotism hires, therefore he does not approve bills.

The motion carried with eight affirmatives and one no vote by Mr. Gaudenzi.

Accounting of Taxes

There were no questions regarding the Accounting of Taxes.

Student Recognition

High School Principal Paul T. Blaum introduced two outstanding students, Sarah Burrier and Kyle Thorpe.

Staff Recognition

Mr. Adams recognized staff member Tammy Gregory for saving a student who was choking during lunch period at EverGreen Elementary. He also recognized Joseph Romanowski and his class for the beautiful work they did on our "W W" sign at the High School entrance.

Board Recognition

Zachary Pearce from PSBA also recognized five of our Board Members for their years of service and dedication to the School District. William Gershey – 12 years; Alvin Hollister – 16 years; Donald McDonough – 24 years; Donald Olsommer – 12 years; and Doris Pliss – 24 years. He thanked them for exemplifying leadership and statesmanship, giving unselfishly of their time and talents for the future of our public schools, and putting something back into their local communities through the guidance of the education of youth.

Walmart Gift Card Education Program Presentation

Cynthia Gorman and Donald Howell of Walmart presented twenty of our elementary teachers with \$50 gift certificates each to spend on classroom supplies. The teachers who were awarded the certificates were: Stacy Box, JoAnne Connolly, Maryann Curtis, Julie Farley, Kerrie Fitzsimmons, Allison Gillis, Catherine Henneforth, Jennifer Hoch, Jaclyn Jayne, Mary Beth Lunney, Mary Malec, Katie McElhenny, Ellen McGuigan, Debbie Nolan, Jessica Phillips, Casey Riley, Gayle Sauers, Dawn Vinton, Laurie Wagner, and Sarah Wood.

Recognition of Public

Amanda Johnson spoke about a program by voter ed - they are willing to hold a free seminar on equal financing for all our school districts. Mr. Hollister asked for a copy and he will have Mr. Adams review and see if we can publish the information somehow. She also asked "Can the public get copies of the agenda?" Mr. Hollister stated we can put the agenda up on our website the day after the meeting.

Enrollment: Day #41 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

GRADE	EVERGREEN	SN	P	RDW	SN	P	MS	SN	P	HS	SN	P	TOTAL
EARLY INT.		17			8								25
PRE K	67			36									103
KDG	68	9		37	5								119
GR. 1	70	4		39	8								121
GR. 2	60	14		42	7								123
GR. 3	81	9	1	41	7								139
GR. 4	67	13	1	37	14								132
GR. 5	71	11	1	28	7								118
GR. 6							122	38	1				161
TOTAL	484	77	3	260	56	0	122	38	1	0	0	0	1,041
GR. 7							99	36	3				138
GR. 8							121	36	6				163
GR. 9										140	24	2	166
GR. 10										136	25	4	165
GR. 11										113	29	1	143
GR. 12										128	23	4	155
TOTAL	484	77	3	260	56	0	342	110	10	517	101	11	1,971

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

Totals: EverGreen-564; RDW-316; MS-462; HS-629 Total 1,971

Last Month's Total 1,969

Resignation

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mrs. Pliss to accept the resignation of employee Lorraine Troiano effective October 1, 2015.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Western Wayne Education Support Professionals Association Contract

A motion was made by Mr. Gaudenzi and seconded by Mr. Olsommer to approve the tentative collective bargaining agreement with the Western Wayne Education Support Professionals Association for 2013-2020, subject to approval by the District's counsel of the language of the agreement, and upon such approval, that the Board President and Secretary be authorized and directed to sign the agreement on behalf of the District.

Mr. Adams thanked the Union members for their patience and diligence.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Authorization

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski and seconded by Mr. Olsommer to authorize Superintendent Joseph W. Adams the option to begin the process of obtaining a line of credit for borrowing in the event that the State Budget is not passed by December 2015.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Agreement

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mrs. Pliss to approve an agreement between Western Wayne School District and Wayne County Office of Behavioral and Developmental Programs and Early Intervention regarding the Student Assistant Program for the 2015-2016 school year effective immediately through June 30, 2016.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Waivers of Expulsion Hearing and Stipulation

A motion was made by Mr. Lindow and seconded by Mr. Gogolski to adopt 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#03-15-16
- b. S#04-15-16
- c. S#05-15-16

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Overnight Trips

A motion was made by Mr. Gaudenzi and seconded by Mr. Olsommer to approve the following overnight trips and chaperones for the 2015-2016 school year:

- a. PMEA District Band – January 27-29, 2016 – Pittston Area High School – fifteen students and one Advisor – approximate cost \$2,905.00. Chaperone: Elaine Ort
- b. PMEA District Jazz – February 19-20, 2016 – Wyoming Seminary – two students and one advisor – approximate cost \$626.50. Chaperone: Elaine Ort
- c. HS TSA State Conference – April 13-16, 2016 – Seven Springs, PA – approximately 20 students and one advisor and parents – approximate cost \$225.00

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Transportation – New Contract

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. McDonough to approve the following new Transportation contract at State Formula for the 2015-2016 school year:

- a. Ashlea Swingle – Van #111 – Waymart/South Canaan to St. Dominic’s Academy effective October 12, 2015.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Personnel

District Substitute List

A motion was made by Mr. Gogolski 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 24/34/151/114/153/168 Guidelines, Employment Eligibility Verification - U.S. Department of Justice:

1. Rebecca Hayden – Area: Cafeteria
2. Kristin Murray – Area: Secretarial
3. Kimberly Olson – Area: Cafeteria/Custodial/TA/Secretarial
4. NEIU Guest Teachers – Attachment I

The motion carried with eight affirmatives and one abstention from Mrs. Pliss.

Sabbatical Request Change

A motion was made by Mr. Gershey and seconded by Mrs. Pliss to approve the following Sabbatical leave of absence change for employee PS#02-15-16 from Professional Development to Restoration of Health for the 2015-2016 school year.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Sabbatical Request

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. Gogolski to approve the following Sabbatical leave of absence for Professional Development request for the Second Semester of the 2015-2016 school year:

1. PS# 03-15-16

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Appointment of Advisor

A motion was made by Mrs. Pliss and seconded by Mr. Gershey to appoint the following to the listed advisor position for the 2015-2016 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract pending adjustment upon updated contract:

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| 1. Sarah Calabro | Musical Assistant Director | \$1,093.00 |
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The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Appointment of Winter/Spring Coaches

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. McDonough to appoint the following to the listed coaching positions for the 2015-2016 school year at the salary listed in the Professional Employees Contract pending adjustment upon updated contract contingent upon receipt of clearances:

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| 1. Elizabeth Schlasta | Winter Cheerleading Coach | \$3,369.00 |
| 2. Christine Carey | Winter Cheerleading Coach | \$3,369.00 |
| 3. Maria Shelp | Volleyball, Boys Assistant | \$2,086.00 |

Mr. Gaudenzi asked if Cheerleading was two squads or a combined squad, Mr. Adams stated it is two squads.

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

Volunteers

A motion was made by Mrs. Fiorella and seconded by Mr. McDonough to approve the following to the list of volunteers for the 2015-2016 school year contingent upon receipt of clearances:

1. Robert Amos – Track
2. James Collins – Western Wayne School District
3. Laura Davis – Middle School TSA
4. Gina Florio-Ely – Middle School TSA
5. Bruce Kolp – EverGreen Elementary
6. Elizabeth Kromko – Middle School TSA
7. Melina Marcos – EverGreen Elementary
8. Michelle Valinski – Middle School TSA
9. Allison Wallace – Middle School TSA
10. Doris Weintz – EverGreen Elementary

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Informational Items

- a. American Education Week – November 16-20, 2015
- b. Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for November 24, 2015 in all District Buildings. Conferences are scheduled for the afternoon of the 24th beginning at 1:00 PM and ending at 8:00 PM. District Administrators and teachers strongly urge all parents to participate in these conferences. This will be a noon Early Dismissal day for students for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- c. Dates to Remember:

1. Veterans Day Program – November 10, 2015 – 9:00 AM - Middle School program 10:00 AM – High School program
2. Robert D. Wilson Picture Retake Day – November 10, 2015
3. Robert D. Wilson Turkey Trot – November 12, 2015
4. Middle School Dance sponsored by WWMS Chorus – November 13, 2015 – 7 PM
5. EverGreen Picture Retake Day – November 17, 2015
6. EverGreen Holiday Concert - Grades 1 and 2 – November 17, 2015 - 7:00 PM
7. EverGreen Holiday Concert - Grades 3 and 4 – November 18, 2015 - 7:00 PM
8. EverGreen Scholastic Book Fair – November 23 & 24, 2015
9. Parent/Teacher Conferences – November 24, 2015 – 1-8 PM
10. EverGreen’s Santa’s Workshop – December 5, 2015 – 10 AM to 2 PM
11. Robert D. Wilson’s Santa’s Workshop – December 7-11, 2015
12. Robert D. Wilson Holiday Concert – Grades 3 & 4 – December 8, 2015 - 7 PM
13. Middle School 7th & 8th Grade Band/Chorus Concert –December 10, 2015- 7 PM
14. High School Concert – December 17, 2015 – 7 PM

d. Student Teachers/Intern:

1. CHATHAM UNIVERSITY: Intern Kristin Kraye – Occupational Therapist – Jennifer Barillo – January 4, 2016 to March 25, 2016.
2. KEYSTONE COLLEGE: Student Teacher Shannon Nolan – Special Education – Lisa Boguski – EverGreen Elementary – March 7, 2016 to April 29, 2016.
3. MARYWOOD UNIVERSITY: Student Teacher Molly Hedden – PreK – Mary Beth Lunny – EverGreen Elementary – October 27, 2015 to December 11, 2015.

Correspondence

No correspondence.

Superintendent's Report

No questions.

Assistant Superintendent’s Report

No questions.

Principal's Reports

No questions.

Federal Program Report

No report.

Other Business

Mr. Hollister thanks Mrs. Doris Pliss for her 24 years of service and Mr. David Lindow for his many years of service and meeting attendance even before he was a Board Member. Mrs. Pliss stated that her time here was

truly a journey of volunteerism and sacrifices. Mr. Lindow looks forward to volunteering in other areas. Mr. Adams congratulated the Cross Country team members who made States and also commended our School Police Officers who are highly qualified with outstanding military and state police backgrounds as well as numerous trainings.

Future Meetings:

Wednesday, December 2, 2015 – 6:00 PM - Board Committee Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

* Monday, December 7, 2015 - 7:00 P.M. The Western Wayne Board of Education Reorganization and Regular Monthly Meeting, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

Informational- Meetings Held:

October 12, 2015 – 6:00 PM - Board Committee for Negotiations, WWEA, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

October 19, 2015 – 6:30 PM - Board Committee for Negotiations, WWEA, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

October 22, 2015 – 5:30 PM - Board Committee for Negotiations, WWESP, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

October 26, 2015 – 6:00 PM – Board Executive Session for Personnel, District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

October 28, 2015 – 6:00 PM - Board Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM – Special Board Meeting for General Purposes - District Board Room, Administration Building, 1970C Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel, PA 18436.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. McDonough and seconded by Mr. Lindow to adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Western Wayne Board of Education at 8:18 PM.

The motion carried with all affirmatives.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose E. Emmett
Board Secretary

ATTEST: _____

APPROVED: _____