

WILSON BOROUGH, PA
September 15, 2014

REGULAR MEETING:

The regular meeting of the Wilson Area School District Board of Directors was held in the William P. Tollinger Administration Building, 2040 Washington Blvd., Easton, PA 18042 on the above date.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, Vice President, with the following members present: Mrs. Linda Baskwell, Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, Ms. Janis Krieger, Mr. Charles Marsteller, Mrs. Cindy Nester, Mr. Anthony Verenna, Mr. William Wallace, Mr. Scott Wamsley, Mr. David Seiple. Absent: None. Also present: Mr. Doug Wagner, Superintendent; Mr. Don Spry, Solicitor; Ms. Patricia Denicola, Business Manager/Secretary; Mr. Dave Wright, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Ms. Laura Samson, Supervisor of Special Education; Mr. John Martuscelli, High School Principal; Mr. Ian Beitler, High School Assistant Principal; Mr. Anthony Tarsi, Intermediate School Principal; Mr. Michael Chromey, Avona Elementary Principal; Mr. Kevin Steidle, Williams Township Elementary Principal; Mrs. Amy Austin, Wilson Borough Elementary Principal; Mr. Ken Case, Building & Grounds Coordinator; Mr. Garry Musselman, Technology Coordinator.

Mr. Wagner reviewed administration's proposed draft policy and policy revisions as follows:

- Disposal of Surplus Property & Obsolete Equipment
- Policy #2410 Organizational Chart
- Policy #6175 Homebound Instruction

Mr. Wagner read a communication from the Drum and Bugle Corps thanking the board for allowing their rental of the district's facilities.

Mr. Wagner reported that a thank you note was sent to the Wilson Borough Mayor thanking for the support of High School dismissal and closing of Warrior Lane.

Mr. Wagner presented his Superintendent's Report as attached.

Mrs. Herbstreith presented a report on Legislative issues. Ms. Krieger presented a report on the Community College. Mrs. Baskwell presented a report for the Career Institute of Technology. Mrs. Nester presented a report for the Intermediate Unit and handed out a copy of the Intermediate Unit's newsletter "The Twenty"; as attached. There was no report presented for the Wilson Area Education Association. Mr. Dave Wright presented a report on Curriculum and Federal Grants, including Title II Program. There was no report presented for the Buildings and Grounds Committee. There was no report presented for Technology. There was no report presented for the Athletic Committee. There was no report given by the Excellence in Education Committee. There was no report presented for the Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation. Mr.

Wallace presented a report for the LINCS Family Center. Alec Buttner, Student Representative presented a report on student/high school items and events.

The Board reviewed the agenda.

Mr. Seiple announced an addition to the agenda as #2 under Finance as follows: Appointment of Solicitor Don Spry's firm to file for Declaratory Judgment in Northampton County for the Williams Township Municipal Authority/Williams Township Elementary School Property; so that the School District may perfect title to the property.

There was no public to be heard.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Verenna, and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 18, 2014 and the special board meeting of August 21, 2014.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Krieger, and carried by voice vote that the Treasurer's Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Seiple, and carried by voice vote that the August 2014 Investment Schedule, as listed and attached; be accepted and filed for audit.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Wallace, and carried by voice vote that the regular bills in the amount of \$1,822,336.45; as listed and attached; and the Capital Reserve bills of \$104,042.00, as listed and attached be approved for payment.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Baskwell, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

1. The Parameters Resolution for Refunding of the General Obligation Bonds Series 2009A, 2009B and 2010; provided minimum refunding savings are obtained; as attached.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Krieger, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the Appointment of Solicitor Don Spry's firm to file for Declaratory Judgment in Northampton County for the Williams Township Municipal Authority/Williams Township Elementary School Property.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Verenna, seconded by Wallace and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- A. Personnel

Judgement in Northampton County for the Williams Township Municipal Authority/Williams Township Elementary School Property.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Verenna, seconded by Wallace and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

A. Personnel

1. Resignations

- a. Tina Colletta-Quinn – Wilson Area Intermediate School Grade 5 – effective September 4, 2014 – retained for 60 days or until a suitable candidate is found.
- b. Melanie Markulics – .6 High School Family and Consumer Science – effective September 15, 2014
- c. Gabriel Dillard – High School Special Education – effective September 5, 2014, retained for 60 days or until a suitable candidate is found.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Krieger, seconded by Verenna and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- d. Debra Joseph – Avona Elementary ESL Instructional Aide – effective September 30, 2014; remaining thereafter as a substitute.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Wallace, and carried by voice vote the Board approve the following:

2. Appointments

- a. Rasha Wright – Temporary Professional Employee – WAHS Special Education – Masters Step 1 - \$46,898.00 – effective September 16, 2014.
- b. Jonathon Freidhoff – High School Class of 2018 Advisor – stipend \$847.00 – effective the 2014-2015 school year
- c. Danielle Venanzi – High School Prom Coordinator – stipend \$847.00 – effective the 2014-15 school year.
- d. Casey Smith and Lauren Dorsey – High School Student Council Co-Advisors – stipend of \$978.50 each – effective the 2014-15 school year.

- e. Dawn Takacs – Girls’ Basketball Assistant Coach (JV Coach) – stipend of \$4,944.00 – effective the 2014-15 season.
- f. Jeffrey Walters – Volunteer Baseball Assistant Coach – effective the 2014-15 season.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0

Moved by Krieger, seconded by Nester, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

3. Change of Status

- a. Thomas Ruhf – FROM Temporary Professional Employee TO Professional Employee
- b. Carol Golden – FROM Instructional Aide Substitute TO Intermediate School Instructional Aide – no change in rate – effective September 16, 2014
- c. Amy Carlin – FROM Day-To-Day Substitute TO Wilson Area Intermediate School LTS Grade 5 – \$242.71 daily rate – anticipated start date of October 6, 2014
- d. Stephanie Phillips – FROM Substitute Custodian TO Wilson Borough Elementary School Part-Time Custodian – no change in rate – effective September 16, 2014
- e. Matthew Lippincott – FROM Volunteer Football Assistant Coach TO Football Assistant Coach – stipend \$5,775.00 – effective the 2014-15 season.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0

Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Wamsley and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

4. Substitutes

- a. Megan Ramirez – Elem. K-6, Early Childhood N-3
- b. Eric Ross – Grades 4-8 (All Subjects 4-6; Social Studies 7-8)
- c. Lisa Barr – Elem. K-6

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Wamsley, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

5. FMLA Request

- a. Jennifer Kesselring – effective January 5, 2015, with an anticipated return date of April 7, 2015

- b. Chelsey Diefenderfer – on or about February 18, 2015, with an anticipated return date of June 4, 2015

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Krieger, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

B. Miscellaneous

1. Establishment of New Activity Account – French Club
2. FBLA – Trip to State College, PA – November 2 and 3, 2014 – Cost to the District – approx. \$730.00
3. High School French 1, 2, 4 Classes – Trip to Bickford Theater, Morristown, NJ – November 10, 2014 – No cost to District, need bus transportation only
4. Warrior Club – Trip to Philadelphia for Anti-Defamation League’s Leadership Conference at University of Pennsylvania – November 17, 2014 – No cost to District, except for bus transportation provided by District.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Wallace, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

5. Special Board Meeting for personnel – Monday, September 29, 2014 at 6:15 pm
6. Finance Committee Meeting – Monday, October 6, 2014 at 6:15 pm
7. Building and Grounds Committee Meeting – Monday, November 3, 2014 at 6:15 pm

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Verenna, seconded by Wamsley, and carried by voice vote that the Board enter Executive Session for Student, Personnel and Legal Issues at 7:52 pm.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Wallace, seconded by Nester, and carried by voice vote that the Board exit Executive Session at 8:57.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Mr. Seiple announced an addition to the agenda under Personnel as follows:
“Appointment of Karen Riehl, as substitute Elementary Teacher, pending receipt of clearances”

Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Nester, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve Karen Riehl as a substitute Elementary Teacher, pending receipt of clearances.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Wamsley, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the meeting be adjourned at 8:58p.m.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

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Secretary