

WYOMISSING AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 2012-4441

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The regular meeting of the Board of School Directors convened at 6:01 p.m. in the Community Board Room of the Jr./Sr. High School with Mrs. Davis, Board President, presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Following the pledge of allegiance, Mrs. Davis asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. No one indicated the intent to record.

Board Members Present: Mrs. Bamberger, Mrs. Butera, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mrs. McAvoy, Mr. Painter, Mr. Portner and Mrs. Seltzer.

Board Member Absent: Mrs. Helm

Administrative Staff Present: Mr. Krem, Mrs. Mason, Mr. Babb, Mr. Griscom, Ms. Lampe, Mrs. Morett, Mrs. Schwenk and Mr. Stoltzfus.

Attendees: Carole Duran, Reading Eagle, and Shelley Filer, recording secretary. Audience sign-in sheet included as part of these official minutes.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following the roll call by the Board secretary, Mrs. Davis welcomed everyone and announced that an Executive Session was held following the meeting April 16, 2012 and prior to this meeting to discuss personnel and legal items. No action was taken.

The following meeting schedules and locations were announced:

- Policy/Personnel Committee Meeting – May 1, 2012, 5:00 p.m.
- School Board Business Meeting with Committee Reports – May 14, 2012, 6:00 p.m.
- Finance/Facilities Committee Meeting – May 16, 2012, 12:00 p.m.
- Technology Committee Meeting – May 16, 2012, 3:30 p.m. - **Canceled**
- Curriculum Committee Meeting May 17, 2012, 2:30 p.m.
- School Board Business Meeting – **Tuesday**, May 29, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

All listed meetings are held in the Community Board Room of the Jr./Sr. High School unless otherwise noted.

RECOGNITION

Mr. Minich introduced members of the Chess Team who were being recognized for being undefeated 6-0 in the Berks Chess League for a second consecutive year. Each member of the team and Mr. Minich received a proclamation, a copy of which is included in these official minutes.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Stoltzfus recognized and thanked members of the Athletic Advisory Committee. The committee was composed of Board members, administrators, coaches, and members of community sports programs. Over a series of five meetings they reviewed the impact and scope of sports

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in relation to the budget.

Mrs. Mason presented the preliminary budget for 2012-13. Barring any changes, the millage would increase by .2828 to 28.5673 mills which is a 1% increase over last year. The budget and presentation will be posted on the website for public review and be on the agenda for approval at the May 29, 2012 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ROUTINE APPROVALS

MEETING MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mr. Painter, second by Mrs. Bamberger, the Board approved the following minutes.

- March 12, 2012 Business Meeting with Committee Reports
- March 26, 2012 Regular Business Meeting

Yeas: Bamberger, Butera, Davis, Fitzgerald, McAvoy, Painter, Portner and Seltzer.

Absent: Helm

Nays: None. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon a motion by Mr. Fitzgerald, second by Mrs. Seltzer, the Treasurer's Report for March 2012 was accepted as presented.

Yeas: Bamberger, Butera, Davis, Fitzgerald, McAvoy, Painter, Portner and Seltzer.

Absent: Helm

Nays: None. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Upon motion by Mrs. Seltzer, second by Mrs. Butera, payment of bills for the month of March 2012 was approved.

Yeas: Bamberger, Butera, Davis, Fitzgerald, McAvoy, Painter, Portner and Seltzer.

Absent: Helm

Nays: None. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. CURRICULUM/ TECHNOLOGY

Upon a motion by Mr. Painter, second by Mrs. McAvoy, the Board approved the Curriculum/Technology agenda item as follows:

1. Approved iPad Pilot for the Class of 2019.

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Background information: The equipment, software, and accessories will be paid for out of the 2012-13 budget.

2. Approve revision to 2012-13 School Calendar.

Background information: Change staff in-service flex make-up day from May 13, 2013 to May 17, 2013 due to a conflict with AP testing.

3. Approve secondary student #201428 to complete 2011-12 school year without payment of tuition in accordance with Policy 202.

Background information: Parent is moving from the District within 60 calendar days prior to the end of the school year.

Yeas: Bamberger, Butera, Davis, Fitzgerald, McAvoy, Painter, Portner and Seltzer.

Absent: Helm

Nays: None. Motion carried.

**B. FINANCE/
FACILITIES**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Seltzer, and second by Mr. Portner, the Board approved the Finance/Facilities agenda items as follows:

Mrs. Davis thanked WAEF, WAMA, the PTA, and Mr. & Mrs. Scott Helm for their generous donations.

1. Approved Budget Transfers in the amount of \$34,919.
2. Approve the following donations to be used towards the cost of acoustic shells for the JSJS music department:
 - a. Wyomissing Area PTA in the amount of \$900
 - b. Wyomissing Area Music Association in the amount of \$3,186
 - c. Wyomissing Area Education Foundation in the amount of \$1,026.

Background information: The acoustic shells are a mobile backdrop which will improve the sound quality of performances on the auditorium stage.

3. Approve the following donations from the Wyomissing Area Education Foundation:
 - a. \$5,575 to be used towards the cost of walkie-talkies
 - b. \$2,000 to be used towards the costs of the 6th grade Camp Conrad Weiser trip.
4. Approve donation from Mr. & Mrs. Scott Helm in the amount of \$20,000 to be used towards the creation of a trophy room to be located in the original entrance to the JSJS.
5. Approve BCIU Joint Purchasing bids for art supplies as follows:

Art Store Inc	\$1,424.33
Cascade School Supplies	431.82

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Commercial Art Supply	109.49
Dick Blick Art Materials	37.92
Kurtz Bros.	233.03
Pyramid School Products	709.85
Quill Corporation	826.74
School Specialty, Inc.	1,125.56
<u>Triarco Arts & Crafts</u>	<u>231.32</u>
Total	\$5,130.06

6. Approve exonerations for per capita tax.
7. Approve application for Race to the Top grant.
Background information: Pennsylvania school districts eligible to receive Title I funding during the 2011-12 school year are eligible to receive a Race to the Top grant. The grant will support the adoption and implementation of Pennsylvania's educator effectiveness models and instruments. Based on the Danielson framework, these tools are designed to improve the way teachers, specialists and principals are evaluated, and to enhance educator training and professional growth in the Commonwealth.
8. Approve contract with Caron Foundation for 2012-13 in the amount of \$20,757.
Background information: This contract includes drug and alcohol prevention and intervention, student evaluations and peer mediation consultations for elementary and secondary for three full days of service each week.
9. Approve settlement agreement regarding student ID #201575.
10. Approve Memorandum of Understanding with Kades Margolis for the Section 125 Cafeteria Plan Flexible Spending Program.
Background information: The current Section 125 Plan Administrator, CBIZ, currently charges a rate of \$4 per participant per month for enrollees in the program which has previously been covered in full by Kades Margolis. As per the Memorandum, Kades Margolis will now pay \$2 per participant per month to CBIZ on behalf of the District for at least one year. The remaining \$2 per participant per month will be paid by each participant.
11. Authorize administration to advertise and accept bids for sidewalk repair and/or replacement.

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12. Adopt Proposed General Fund Budget for 2012-13.

1000 Instruction.....	\$15,926,745
2000 Supporting Services.....	9,089,814
3000 Operation of Non-Instructional Services.....	783,964
4000 Facilities, Acquisition & Construction	-0-
<u>5000 Financing Uses</u>	<u>3,975,650</u>
TOTAL GENERAL BUDGET EXPENSES.....	\$29,776,173

and that the Board re-enact the following local taxes for the 2012-13 school year:

1. Real Estate Tax.....28.5673 Mills
2. Local Services Tax (to a maximum of).....\$10.00
 - Wyomissing Borough.....\$5.00
 - West Reading Borough.....\$5.00
3. Earned Income Tax..... 1.0%
4. Business Privilege Tax (to a maximum of)..... 1.5 Mills
5. Per Capita Tax, Act 679 Capita Tax, Act 679.....\$5.00
6. Per Capita Tax, Act 511 (to a maximum of).....\$10.00
 - Wyomissing Borough.....\$5.00
 - West Reading Borough.....\$5.00
7. Real Estate Transfer Tax (to a maximum of)..... 1.0%
 - Wyomissing Borough..... .5%
 - West Reading Borough..... .5%

The budget includes all staff positions and salaries, and requires a .2828 mill tax increase.

Yeas: Bamberger, Butera, Davis, Fitzgerald, McAvoy, Painter, Portner and Seltzer.

Absent: Helm

Nays: None. Motion carried.

**C. PERSONNEL/
POLICY**

Upon a motion by Mr. Portner, second by Mrs. McAvoy, the Board approved the Personnel/Policy agenda items as follows:

1. APPOINTMENTS

a. Support Staff

- 1) **James Jackson, Maintenance, Jr./Sr.** High School, additional position as a substitute weight room supervisor at a rate of \$10.64/hr., effective April 5, 2012.

2. LEAVES

a. Professional Staff

- 1) **Karen Tripolitis**, Kindergarten Teacher, WHEC, end FML effective April 16, 2012.

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- 2) **Mary Reinert**, Special Education Teacher, FML effective May 4, 2012 to May 11, 2012.
- 3) **Kristy Martin**, Learning Support Teacher, Jr./Sr. High School, FML effective August 20, 2012 to November 19, 2012.

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE DISTRICT SUBSTITUTE LIST

a. Professional Staff

- 1) **Brian Quinlan**, Teacher, addition to substitute list, effective May 1, 2012.

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE DISTRICT VOLUNTEER LIST (*See Attached List*)

5. POLICIES

Second Reading/Adoption of the following Policies:

- 004 Membership
- 237 Electronic Devices
- 333 Professional Growth Requirements – Administrative Employees
- 433 Professional Growth Guidelines – Professional Employees
- 718 Service Animals in Schools

Yeas: Bamberger, Butera, Davis, Fitzgerald, McAvoy, Painter, Portner and Seltzer.

Absent: Helm

Nays: None. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS None.

NEW BUSINESS None

HEARING FROM WAEA None.

HEARING FROM AFSCME None.

HEARING FROM WAEF None.

HEARING FROM THE PTA None.

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**HEARING FROM
STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE**

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Bamberger, seconded by Mrs. McAvoy to adjourn at 6:32 p.m. Mrs. Davis announced there would be an Executive Session immediately following the meeting.

Corinne D. Mason
Board Secretary