

WILSON BOROUGH, PA
October 18, 2021

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, President, with the following members present: Ms. Janis Krieger, Mr. Johnathan Jones, Mrs. Holly Waugh, Mrs. Ann Lipari (via telephone), Mr. Scott Wamsley, Mrs. Linda Baskwell; Mr. Christopher Greene and Mrs. Allyson Palinkas. Also present: Mr. Doug Wagner, Superintendent; Ms. Stephanie Arnold, Business Manager/Secretary; Dr. Dave Wright, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Jonathan Huerta, Solicitor; Mrs. Laura Samson, Supervisor of Student Services; Mr. John Martuscelli, High School Principal; Mr. Ian Beitler, High School Assistant Principal; Mr. Anthony Tarsi, Intermediate School Principal; Ms. Katie Pietrouchie, Intermediate School Assistant Principal; Mr. Michael Chromey, Avona Elementary Principal; Mr. Kevin Steidle, Williams Township Elementary Principal; Mrs. Amy Austin, Wilson Borough Elementary Principal; Mr. Garry Musselman, Technology Coordinator; Dr. Alexandra Mindler, K-12 Online Warrior Academy Coordinator and Mr. Clayton Washburn, Student Representative.

Moved by Krieger, Seconded by Greene, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- Policy #3220 – Visual Identity Policy

Result of vote: Aye 4; Nay 5; Absent 0.

There were no communications to be read.

The Superintendent presented his report.

The Board reviewed the agenda.

Mr. Washburn reported the following on Student Affairs:

- Chorus will be holding a cabaret in November.
- GSA has a guest speaker coming in November. All are welcome to attend.
- Drama Club will be performing their play, Our Place, on November 6-7.
- Student Council just had Homecoming, and is doing Trunk or Treat on October 30th.
- The Key Club is holding a blood drive. They are also donating books to Meuser Library, and holding a clothing and toy drive. They would like to have a majority of their donations prior to Christmas.
- Cheerleaders are preparing for the pep rally and bonfire. They are also doing a Truck or Treat. They recently volunteered at the Centennial Celebration.

- School officers in all 4 grades are preparing for an awesome year of hallway decorating. Judging will take place on Thursday, October 28th. School Board members are welcome to walk the hallways.
- The band is going through the transition of new directors.
- National Honor Society is doing a clothing drive for mainly “interview clothes”. They also volunteered at the Centennial Celebration.
- Jazz Band is starting on November 18th.
- Cross Country is running at Districts this week. Field hockey is also going to Districts.
- Wilson Buddies are looking into holding a Powder Puff football game, and a fall craft for the teachers.

There was no report presented on Legislative issues. Ms. Krieger reported the following on the Community College:

- Their last meeting was held on October 7th at their Monroe Campus.
- Executive Session was 1.5 hours so committee meetings were brief.
- John Wiser (Professor of the Year in 2001) spoke on the strategic plan to maintain sustainability at the campus.

Mrs. Palinkas reported the following on Career Institute of Technology:

- Their Health Program is partnering with St. Luke’s.
- CAD and Engineering Articulation has an agreement with NCC. Students who earn a B or higher at CIT will receive 6 college credits.
- Open house will be held on October 18th and October 22nd for prospective students only.

There was no report presented on the Intermediate Unit. There was no report presented on Wilson Area Education Association. Dr. Wright reported the following on Curriculum and Federal Grants including Title II Program:

- There are two items on the agenda for approval
 - Elevate K-12
 - Curriculum
 - K-5 Math
 - (3) High School new curriculum
 - (72) revised High School curriculum due to block scheduling

There was no report presented on Student Services. There was no report presented on Technology. Dr. Mindler reported the following on K-12 Warrior Online Academy:

- Enrollment has been consistent with not much movement in/out.
 - 23 students K-4
 - 34 students 5-8
 - 47 students high school

There was no report presented on Facilities Operations. There was no report presented on Athletic Committee. Mrs. Lipari reported the following on Excellence in Education:

- Reviewed the high school block schedule
- Provided an update on On-line Warrior Academy
- Presented the new/revised curriculum

There was no report presented on Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation. Dr. Wright reported the following on the LINCS:

- Their last meeting was held in the beginning of October.
- They will have a table at the Williams Township Fall Festival.
- Provided a timeline for the Coordinator position
 - Reviewing applications on October 19th
 - Interviews will begin on October 26th

Mr. Jones reported the following on the WASD Ally Team:

- The name has been changed to Ally Team
- Identify staff members in the buildings to work as initial allies to get schools to common goals.
- Train Board members on DEI topics.
- Recognition of 1st generation graduates.
- Dr. Demary Bonilla from East Stroudsburg University and Dr. Robertson from NCC are willing to help develop a plan to train the allies.

The following individuals from the public addressed the Board:

- Suzanne Salter
1934 Lehigh Street
Wilson Borough
-Spoke on the logo
- Grant Shimmer
3510 Canterbury Court
Bethlehem
-Spoke on the mascot
- Jack Hagenbach
55 Woodshire Drive
Williams Township
-Why has “Wilson” been eliminated?

- Paul Altenbach
106 Main Street
Glendon
-Spoke on the logo
- Armondo Moritz-Chapelliquen
1945 Lehigh Street
Wilson Borough
-Spoke on the logo
- Karen Messina
1921 Ferry Street
Wilson Borough
-Spoke on policy
- Anthony Gittens
2226 Fox Run
Wilson Borough
-What is the Board's position on Native Americans?
- Jack Hagenbach
55 Woodshire Drive
Williams Township
-Is world, state and local history being taught at Wilson?

Moved by Palinkas, seconded by Jones, and carried by voice vote to approve the following:

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 20, 2021
- Treasurer's Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit
- Investment Schedule – September, 2021
- Regular bills in the amount of: \$2,469,280.35
- Cafeteria bills in the amount of: \$ 30,278.37
- Capital Projects in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Retiree bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Capital Reserve in the amount of: \$ 4,574.00

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

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

- ATT Sports, Inc. – Wilson Area High School Track Repairs - \$5,420.00

- Elevate K-12 – High-Quality Live Streaming Instruction
 - Live Streaming Spanish Instruction
 - Five Spanish I Classes
 - One Spanish II Class
 - Nine Weeks – 2nd Marking Period 2021-22 School Year - \$18,750.00
 - Renewal (if needed) 3rd and 4th Marking Periods 2021-22 School Year – Not to Exceed \$56,250.00

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

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

- Appointments
 - Richard Divittorio – Williams Township Elementary School – Part-Time Custodian – salary \$19.99/hr. – effective October 19, 2021 – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure form
 - Krista Atkins – Wilson Area High School – Part-Time Custodian – salary \$19.99/hr. – effective October 19, 2021
 - Barry Serfass – Assistant Baseball Coach – stipend \$4,242.00 – effective the 2021-22 season – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure forms
 - Zachary Vegh – Assistant Baseball Coach 2 – stipend \$3,785.00 – effective the 2021-22 season – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure form
 - Jake Petro – Assistant Baseball Coach 3 – stipend \$2,967.00 – effective the 2021-22 season – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure forms
 - Albert Hartrum – Jr. High Wrestling Coach – stipend \$4,198.00 – effective the 2021-2022 season
 - Vigan Gashi – Intermediate School – Girls’ Basketball Coach – stipend \$4,873.00 – effective the 2021-2022 season – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure form
 - Joseph Kushnerick – Volunteer Wrestling Coach – effective the 2021-22 season

- Jacqueline Gavin – Volunteer Band Front Advisor – effective October 19, 2021

- Substitutes
 - Bey Abreu – WASD Certified PK-12 and Instructional Aide – pending PA Department of Education Certification
 - Alexandra Fritsch – Instructional Aide
 - Criseida Acuna – WASD Certified PK-12 and Instructional Aide – pending PA Department of Education Certification
 - Janelle Jefferson – WASD Certified PK-12 and Instructional Aide – pending PA Department of Education Certification

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

Moved by Lipari, seconded by Palinkas, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- Approval of Curriculum
 - Elementary
 - Math – Grades K to 5
 - High School
 - EL English
 - World Literature
 - 9th Grade Reading Seminar
 - High School Curriculum Revisions
 - Art
 - Art 1
 - Art 2
 - Art 3
 - Art 4
 - AP Drawing
 - Business
 - Introduction to Business
 - Keyboarding
 - Personal Finance – Careers
 - Personal Finance – Money Management

- English
 - English 9
 - English 10
 - English 11
 - English 12
 - Practical English 12
 - AP Language and Composition
 - AP Literature and Composition
 - Creative Writing
 - Journalism
- Family Consumer Science
 - American Foods
- Foreign Languages
 - Spanish I
 - Spanish II Honors
 - Spanish II
 - Spanish III Honors
 - Spanish III
 - Advanced Spanish Honors
 - AP Spanish Language and Culture
- Health/Wellness/Physical Education
 - Health and Wellness Grade 9
 - Physical Education
- Math
 - Algebra 1 Part A
 - Algebra 1 Part B
 - Algebra 2
 - Algebra 2 Honors
 - Algebra 3
 - Trigonometry
 - Pre-Calculus Honors
 - Geometry
 - Geometry Honors
 - Geometric Applications and Constructions
 - Calculus Honors
 - AP Calculus AB
 - Analytical Geometry
 - Probability and Statistics
 - College Math
 - Consumer Math

- Music
 - Concert Choir
 - Piano

- Science
 - Biology
 - Biology Honors
 - Chemistry
 - Chemistry Honors
 - Physics
 - Physics Honors
 - AP Biology
 - AP Chemistry
 - AP Physics 1
 - AP Physics 2
 - AP Physics C
 - Advanced Science Studies
 - Anatomy and Physiology: Muscles, Messengers, and More
 - Anatomy and Physiology: Senses and the Internal Viscera
 - Environmental Science
 - Organic Chemistry
 - Science of the Universe
 - Zoology

- Social Studies
 - American Cultures II
 - Civics and Government
 - World Cultures/World Cultures Honors
 - AP Psychology
 - AP US History
 - Economics
 - Icons of Social Movement
 - Sociology

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

Moved by Palinkas, seconded by Jones, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- Proposed 2022-23 Budget Timeline

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

Moved by Greene, seconded by Jones, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- Establishment of New Activity Account – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Poetry Club

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

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Administration Building – Monday, November 1, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

Moved by Palinkas, seconded by Jones, and carried by voice vote that the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

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

STEPHANIE L. ARNOLD
SECRETARY