

WILSON BOROUGH, PA

October 2, 2023

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session 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 for Personnel and Student Issues.

The session was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, President, with the following members present: Ms. Janis Krieger, Mr. Johnathan Jones, Mrs. Holly Waugh, Mrs. Maggie Hall, Mr. Jeffrey Breidinger, Sr., Mrs. Linda Baskwell, Mrs. Molly Sunderlin and Mrs. Allyson Palinkas. Also present: Mr. Doug Wagner, Superintendent, and Ms. Stephanie Arnold, Business Manager/Secretary.

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 7:05 p.m. by Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, President, with the following members present: Ms. Janis Krieger, Mr. Johnathan Jones, Mrs. Holly Waugh, Mrs. Maggie Hall, Mr. Jeffrey Breidinger, Sr., Mrs. Linda Baskwell, Mrs. Molly Sunderlin and Mrs. Allyson Palinkas. Also present: Mr. Doug Wagner, Superintendent; Ms. Stephanie Arnold, Business Manager/Secretary; Mr. Don Spry, Solicitor; Mr. Michael Chromey, Intermediate School Principal; Ms. Jennifer Burd, Intermediate School Assistant Principal; Ms. Katie Pietrouchie, Avona Elementary School Principal; Mr. Kevin Steidle, Williams Township Elementary School Principal; Mr. Ian Beitler, Wilson Borough Elementary School Principal; Mrs. Amy Austin, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Mrs. Laura Samson, Director of Student Services; Dr. Alexandra Mindler, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instructional Technology; Garry Musselman, Technology Coordinator; Tessa Fredericks, Student Representative.

The Board reviewed the agenda.

The Board reviewed the following policies:

- Policy #251 – Homeless Students
- Policy #325 – Dress and Grooming
- Policy #340 – Responsibility for Student Welfare
- Policy #824 – Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries

There were no communications to be read.

The Superintendent presented his report.

Ms. Tessa Fredericks reported the following on Student Affairs:

- The Junior Class is currently planning their next fundraiser.
- The Senior Class is currently running a clothing drive. Items collected will be donated to Valley Youth House.
- The Boy's and Girl's Cross Country teams are doing well.
- The record for Boys Soccer is 8-3 as of September 23rd.
- Trunk or Treat will be held on October 29th.
- The Wilson Buddies will hold a Powder Puff Game on Saturday, October 14th.

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

- Their next meeting will be held at the Monroe Campus.
- Dr. Marc Singer, Provost, was introduced to the School Board by Ms. Krieger during the meeting.

There was no report on Career Institute. There was no report on Intermediate Unit. There was no report on Wilson Area Education Association. Mrs. Austin reported the following on Curriculum and Grants:

- Curriculum will be approved at the November Board Meeting.

There was no report presented on Student Services. There was no report presented on Technology Committee. There was no report presented on Facilities. There was no report presented on Athletic Committee. There was no report presented on Excellence in Education. Mrs. Herbstreith reported the following on Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation:

- Their last meeting was held on September 21st.
- Grant Applications
 - Three briefs were selected to submit a full application.
- Change in By-Laws due to Board structure changing.

Mrs. Waugh reported the following on LINC'S:

- Their next meeting will be held on October 3rd.

Mr. Jones reported the following on WASD Ally Team:

- Their next meeting will be held on December 7th at 3:30 p.m.
- Looking for ideas for the October newsletter
- School Board Appreciation is in January. Will look at doing a video of the Board for the newsletter.

- Discussion Items:
 - Preparing for listening sessions with various stakeholders as recommended by Ms. Nikole Hollins-Sims.
 - Trainings will be taking place with administrative, professional and support staff.
 - Looking to develop a “Street Data Book” that includes appropriate Allyship terminology.

There was no Public to be Heard.

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

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 18, 2023
- Treasurer’s Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit
- Investment Schedule – September, 2023
- Regular bills in the amount of: \$2,523,832.25
- Cafeteria bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Capital Projects in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Retiree bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Capital Reserve in the amount of: \$ 786,164.90

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

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

- Local Audit Report – 2021-22 Fiscal Year
- BrightFields, Inc. – Change order #1 – credit for unused project allowance - \$6,400.00
- Grievance #02-22-23 and Grievance #03-22-23 – Settlement Agreements - \$1,101.90

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:

- Appointments
 - Nicholas Levinski – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Long-Term Substitute (7th Grade Math/Science) - \$271.81/day – effective October 16, 2023 – pending receipt of Act 168 disclosure forms

- Jeremy Hartrum – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Temporary Professional Employee – Special Education Teacher – Bachelors, Step 1 - \$50,557.00 – effective October 17, 2023
- Megan Webb – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Social Studies Curriculum Chairperson – stipend \$1,208.00 – effective October 3, 2023
- John Burke – Wilson Area High School – Part-Time Secretary - \$24.44/hr – effective October 3, 2023
- Laura LaBarre – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Office Secretary Aide – salary \$38,934.00 – effective date TBD – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure Forms
- Michael Whildin – Volunteer Boys’ Basketball Coach – effective 2023-2024 season
- Mentors
 - Traci Knopf
 - Gail Gagner
 - Alicia Corriere
- Substitutes
 - Linda Stiansen – Clerical Aide
 - John Burke – WASD Certified Classroom Monitor
 - Michele Heffelfinger – WASD Certified Classroom Monitor
 - Timothy Hanks – Health and Physical Education – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure Form
- Changes of Status
 - Isaac Ruhf – FROM Temporary Professional Employee TO Professional Employee
 - Erin Kaufmann – FROM Professional Employee TO Temporary Professional Employee

- FMLA Request
 - Employee #FE5675 – from approximately October 1, 2023 until October 1, 2024
- Job Description
 - Director of Curriculum and Instruction

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

Approval of Curriculum

- Elementary Level
 - Career and Media Arts – Grades K to 4
 - Art – Grades K to 4
 - Physical Education and Health – Grades K to 4
- Intermediate School
 - Career and Media Arts – 5th Grade
 - Art – Grades 5 to 8
 - Physical Education – Grades 5 and 6
 - Health – Grades 7 and 8
 - Computer Science – Grades 6 to 8
 - Math – Grades 6 to 8
 - Pre-Algebra – Grade 6
 - Algebra I – Grades 7 and 8
 - Reading – Grades 7 and 8
 - ELA – Grades 7 and 8
 - Music – Grades 5 to 8

- High School
 - French II
 - French III
 - AP Statistics
 - Probability and Statistics
 - Sports Management
 - School-to-Work
 - 9th Grade Health and Wellness
 - Computer Programming CS1
 - Practical English

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

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

- New Course
 - AP Pre-Calculus
- Language Instruction Education Program Plan (updated EL Program Guide)

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

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

- Wilson Area High School – Student Expulsion Agreement
 - Student #240275
- Wilson Area High School – Request to Waive Policy #5118.4 – Enrollment: Non-Resident Students
 - Student #240419

- Establishment of New Elementary School Activity Account – stipend of \$450 and Activity Account – effective 2023-2024 School Year
 - 4th Grade Chorus
- Proposed Athletic Committee Meeting – Monday, November 20, 2023, 6:15 p.m.

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

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Monday, November 6, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Moved by Waugh, seconded by Jones, and carried by voice vote that the Board Meeting be adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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



STEPHANIE L. ARNOLD
Secretary