

WILSON BOROUGH, PA
April 15, 2024

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 7:18 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. John Martuscelli, High School Principal; Mr. Christopher Albi, High School Assistant Principal; Mr. Michael Chromey, Intermediate School Principal; Ms. Jennifer Burd, Intermediate School Assistant Principal; Ms. Katie Pietrouchie, Avona Elementary Principal; Mr. Kevin Steidle, Williams Township Elementary Principal; Mr. Ian Beitler, Wilson Borough Elementary 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; Mr. Garry Musselman, Technology Coordinator; Mr. Jeffrey Breidinger, Jr., Athletic Director and Mr. Christopher Smith, High School Teacher Social Studies.

The Board reviewed the Agenda.

There were no communications to be read.

The Superintendent presented his report.

There was no report presented on Student Affairs. Mrs. Herbstreith reported the following on Legislative Issues:

- There were 3,500 applications received on the 1st day for the Student Teacher Stipend.
 - There are funds available for 600-700 applications.
 - \$75M is needed to support all student teachers.

Ms. Krieger reported the following on the Community College:

- Spring Open House was held on April 13th at the Pocono Campus, and will be held at the Bethlehem Campus on April 20th.
- The men's volleyball team participated in the National Tournament.
- The baseball team is ranked #2 nationally.
- The softball team is ranked #9 nationally.
- Spring Commencement for the Bethlehem Campus will be held on May 23rd.
- The Pocono Campus will hold its 1st Commencement this spring.
- Construction has begun on the wrestling room at the Bethlehem Campus.

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

- Spring Open House will be held on May 2nd.
- Two teachers will be retiring:
 - Mr. DeBellis
 - Mrs. Couch
- Culinary students are the winners of the Cupcake Wars Competition for the 8th time.
- The MOU for the summer schedule was approved.
- Looking to restructure the current programs being offered.
 - Low enrollment programs will be removed.
 - Additional sessions will be offered for high-demand programs.

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

- The District Special Education Comprehensive Plan 2024-2027 is on the Agenda for approval.
- The Side Stop Signal Arm Enforcement System Agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Pennsylvania State Police, and the Wilson Area School District reflects changes in the law.

There was no report presented on Technology. There was no report presented on Facilities and Operations. There was no report presented on Athletics. There was no report presented on Excellence in Education.

Ms. Krieger reported the following on the Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation:

- The Scholarship Committee will be reviewing the applications and selecting the recipient of the \$1,000 Foundation Scholarship.

Mr. Breidinger, Sr. reported the following on the LINCS Center:

- The LINCS will have a table set up at the Williams Township Food Truck Festival on April 27th.
- The next Coalition Mixer will be held at the Intermediate School on April 30th.
- Narcan Training will take place in the LINCS lobby on May 15th.
- There are currently 115 Warrior Bags being distributed weekly.
- Summer playground is gearing up.
- The garden is open.

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

- April is Ally month.

The following individual addressed the Board:

- Mr. Johnathan Jones
80 Mansfeld Road
Hellertown, PA 18055
 - The Intermediate School Dance and the Prom are both being held on May 10th. In the future, please consider not scheduling these two events on the same night.

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

- Minutes of the First Regular Board Meeting of March 4, 2024.
- Minutes of the Second Regular Board Meeting of March 18, 2024.
- Treasurer's Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit
- Investment Schedule
 - Regular bills in the amount of: \$3,266,245.11
 - Cafeteria bills in the amount of: \$ 121,211.86
 - Capital Project bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
 - Retiree bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
 - Capital Reserve bills in the amount of: \$ 529,400.00

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:

- 2024-2025 Bids
 - Office Supplies - \$16,255.37
 - Art Supplies - \$4,668.01
 - Industrial Art Supplies - \$1,389.60
- 2024-2025 Joint Purchasing
 - CIU20 Joint Paper Bids - \$35,094.95
 - CIU20 Joint Janitorial Supplies - \$66,904.60
- High School Activity Funds – Quarterly Report
- SHI – Chromebook Refresh grades K, 5 and 9 - \$153,768.90 – ESSER II Funding
- Food Service RFP – The Food Service Evaluation Committee recommends the Board award Chartwells the contract to manage the District’s Food Service Program for the 2024-2025 school year pending approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Education’s Division of Food and Nutrition
 - 2024-2025 Food Service Budget Expenditures - \$1,221,436.84
 - 2024-2025 Lunch and Breakfast Prices:
 - Elementary School Lunch - \$2.10
 - Intermediate School Lunch - \$2.25
 - High School Lunch - \$2.25
 - Reduced Lunch - \$0.40
 - Universal FREE Breakfast
 - Ala Carte as listed; no increases

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

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

- Retirement
 - Jacqueline Williams – Confidential Assistant to the Business Manager – effective July 31, 2024
- Resignations
 - James Dennis – Wilson Borough Elementary School – Special Education Teacher – effective end of 2023-2024 school year
 - Elizabeth Falcone – Wilson Borough Elementary School – Grade 4 Teacher – effective end of 2023-2024 school year
 - Tiffany Roth – Avona Elementary School – Part-Time Custodian – effective April 16, 2024
 - Joel Westbrook – Volunteer JV Boys' Basketball Coach – effective April 5, 2024
- Appointments
 - Bryanna Checo – Temporary Professional Employee – Wilson Area High School – Special Education Teacher – Masters, Step 1 – salary \$54,522.00 – effective start of 2024-2025 school year – pending receipt of transcripts and certification
 - Raven Shellman – Temporary Professional Employee – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Special Education Teacher – Masters, Step 1 – salary \$54,522.00 – effective start of 2024-2025 school year – pending receipt of transcripts and certification
 - James Osinski – Temporary Professional Employee – Wilson Area High School – English Teacher – Bachelors + 15, Step 1 – salary \$53,322.00 – effective start of 2024-2025 – school year – pending receipt of transcripts and certification
 - James Brady – Summer Weight Training Advisor – salary \$3,217.00 – effective date June 3, 2024
 - Brandon Perkins – Assistant Football Coach – salary \$5,920.00 – effective beginning of 2024-2025 season – pending receipt of Act 168 Forms

- Eric Soto – Assistant Football Coach – salary \$5,920.00 – effective beginning of 2024-2025 season
- Lenworth Lawrence – Van Driver – salary \$24.50/hr – effective April 16, 2024

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

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

- Appointments
 - Summer Help - \$10.50/hr – effective June 3, 2024
 - Marcel Days
 - Aden Smith
 - Saul Bracero
 - Lillian Waugh
 - Mason Marakovits

Result of vote: Aye 8; Nay 0; Absent 0; Abstain 1.

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

- Change of Status
 - Kylie Bisram – FROM Other Bus Driver TO 2-Run 5-Hour Bus Driver – salary \$145.88/run – effective April 16, 2024
- FMLA Request
 - Employee #LO6787 – effective on or about August 29, 2024 with an anticipated return date of January 2, 2025, with the possibility of an extension
- Substitutes
 - Emily Aicher – Instructional Aide
 - Yolanda McGee – Van Driver – pending receipt of Act 168 Forms
 - Karen Stahl – Classroom Monitor, Instructional Aide, Clerical Aide
 - Shaniyah Colon – Van Driver

- Robert Bastian – Van Driver
- Linda Jo David – Guidance Counselor – pending receipt of Act 114, Act 151, and Act 168 Forms

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

Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Breidinger, Sr., and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- Curriculum and Instruction
 - District Special Education Comprehensive Plan 2024-2027

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

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

- Wilson Area Hall of Fame Selection Committee Reappointments
 - Donald Barrett – term ends 2027
 - Jeffrey Breidinger, Jr. – term ends 2027
 - Johnathan Jones – term ends 2027
- Memoranda of Understanding
 - Between Wilson Area School District and Wilson Area Act 93 Administrative Employees – 2024 Summer Work Schedule
 - Between Wilson Area School District and Wilson Area Executive Secretaries – 2024 Summer Work Schedule
 - Between Wilson Area School District and Wilson Area ESPA/PSEA/NEA – 2024 Summer Work Schedule
- Wilson Area High School – Student Expulsion Agreement
 - Student #240317

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

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

- Northampton Community College Election of Trustees – July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2030
 - Michel Goffredo
 - Karen Beck Pooley
 - Dean Donaher
 - Robert Fehnel
 - Janis Krieger

Result of vote: Aye 8; Nay 0; Absent 0; Abstain 1.

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

- Northampton Community College Education Department Affiliate Agreement
- Side Stop Signal Arm Enforcement System Agreement – Between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Pennsylvania State Police (“PSP”), and the Wilson Area School District
- Proposed Athletic Committee Meeting – May 20, 2024, 5:30 pm – Administration Building

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

Next Regular School Board Meeting – May 6, 2024, 7:00 p.m. – Administration Building.

Moved by Waugh, seconded by Jones, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the meeting be adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

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



STEPHANIE ARNOLD
Secretary