

WILSON BOROUGH, PA  
May 20, 2024

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session of the Wilson Area School District Board of Directors was held on the above date for Personnel and Legal/Litigation issues with the following members present: Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, President, Ms. Jan 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 7:01 p.m. by Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, President, with the following members present: Ms. Janis Krieger, Mr. Johnathan Jones, Mrs. Maggie Hall, Mrs. Holly Waugh, 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; Ms. Allysa Hicks, 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 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; Mr. Garry Musselman, Technology Coordinator and Mr. Jeffrey Breidinger, Jr., Athletic Director.

The Board recognized the following:

- 2023-2024 Warriors of the Year
  - Avona Elementary School
    - Chanel Liz
  - Williams Township Elementary School
    - Lucas Matos

- Wilson Borough Elementary School
  - Cohen Dillard
- Wilson Area Intermediate School
  - Ryan Bonham
- Wilson Area High School
  - Chase Eller

The Board reviewed the agenda.

There were no communications to be read.

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

- Legislators are still considering spending the money the governor allocated.
- Tax collections for Pennsylvania - \$739M more than anticipated.
- Basic Education Funding is still budgeted for a \$200M increase; \$5.1B is still needed to fill the gaps.
- Proposals for State income tax reduction and getting rid of tax on electric bills.

Ms. Krieger reported the following on the Community College:

- Spring enrollment saw a 4% growth.
- The NCC Boys' Baseball recorded a team record with 44 wins this season.
- Summer classes have begun.
- Spring Commencement will be held on May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Pocono Campus and on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Bethlehem Campus.

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

- Wilson A.M. Student of the Month is Brandon Brock
- Graduation will be held on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mrs. Baskwell reported the following on the Intermediate Unit:

- Graduation will be held on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

There was no report presented on Wilson Area Education Association. There was no report presented on Curriculum and Grants. Mrs. Samson reported the following on Student Services:

- Received a Letter of Agreement with Lehigh University Mental Health Program. This is a 5 year program where psychiatrists serve as mentors alongside of Lehigh students.

Mr. Musselman reported the following on Technology:

- Completed new teacher laptops.
- Graduation will be live streamed on YouTube.

Ms. Arnold reported the following on Facilities Operations:

- The work on the boilers at Williams Township Elementary School is moving along on schedule and the majority of the HVAC equipment is in the hands of the contractor. Contractor will be ready to go on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

There was no report presented on Athletic Committee. There was no report presented on Excellence in Education. Ms. Krieger reported the following on Wilson Area Partner's in Education Foundation:

- One member has resigned.
- Linda Baskwell and Danielle Ringhoffer are interested in joining the Board.
- Looking to collaborate with Communities that Care.

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

- Joelle Strahler, the recording secretary and social media manager, was recognized at the statewide Commonwealth Prevention Alliance PA Prevention Award Ceremony.
- Narcan training was held May 15<sup>th</sup>. There were 10 people in attendance.
- May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Iron Pigs presentation of the check for the summer programs.
- Summer Programs –
  - 1 opening remains at Wilson Borough Elementary School
  - 2 openings remain at the Intermediate School
- Touch a Truck will be held on August 11<sup>th</sup>.
- A Community Walk is being planned.

Mr. Jones reported the following on WASD Ally Team:

- The next meeting will be held on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:30 p.m.
- The Planning Commission meeting went well.

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 April 15, 2024.
- Treasurer's Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit.
- Investment Schedule
  - Regular bills in the amount of: \$1,503,217.97
  - Cafeteria bills in the amount of: \$ 1,651.86
  - Capital Project bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
  - Retiree bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
  - Capital Reserve bills in the amount of: \$ 5,996.37

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

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

- Finance
  - 2024-25 Proposed Final Budget – Per Act 1 Requirements - \$47,408,723.00 – 60.47 mills – (.6 mills or 1% increase)
  - Approve World Fuel Services, Inc. as the fuel vendor for 2024-25 with the following fuel prices for Bio-Diesel - \$3.0125/gallon and Unleaded Fuel - \$2.6858/gallon.

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

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

- Resignations
  - Kayleigh Vo – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Special Education Teacher – effective June 4, 2024
  - Taylor Fox – Wilson Area High School – Band Front Advisor (Twirlers) – effective May 29, 2024
  - Eric Clouse – Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach – effective May 9, 2024
- Appointments
  - Creyn Muthard – Temporary Professional Employee – Wilson Borough Elementary School – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher – Bachelors, Step 1 – salary \$51,722.00 – effective 2024-2025 school year – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure Forms



- Glen Gray – Other Bus Driver – salary \$27.80/hr – effective May 21, 2024
- Maya Muniz – Assistant Girls’ Soccer Coach – salary \$4,151.00 – effective beginning of the 2024-2025 season
- Eric Clouse – Volunteer Boys’ Soccer Coach – effective beginning of 2024-2025 season
- Change of Status
  - Nicholas Hall – FROM Temporary Professional Employee TO Professional Employee
- FMLA Request
  - Employee #KA6902 – on or about September 19, 2024 with a return date of on or about December 3, 2024

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

- Homebound Instruction Request – Student #270053

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

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

- Home-School Students – Permission to Participate
  - Marquise Acree – Basketball
  - Lafayette Acree – Basketball
- Wilson Area School District ARD Program
- Mental Health Service Professional Program Agreement – Between Lehigh University and the Wilson Area School District – October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2029
- Proposed Athletic Committee Meeting – Monday, June 17, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. – Administration Building
- Finance Committee Meeting – Monday, June 3, 2024 at 6:15 p.m. – Administration Building

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

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Administration Building – Monday, June 3, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Jones and carried by voice vote that the Board enter into Executive Session for Personnel issues.

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 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.

Moved by Krieger, seconded by Hall and carried by voice vote that the Board exit Executive Session at 8:33 p.m.

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

Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Jones, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the meeting be adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

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



STEPHANIE ARNOLD  
Secretary