

**BURRELL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES  
August 13, 2024**

**Call to Order**

The Burrell School District Board of Directors Agenda Meeting was held in the High School Board Room and was called to order at 7:13 PM by Vice President Rick Kaczor.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Kaczor asked all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Board Members Present: Mrs. Gretchen V. Beveridge, Mr. Timothy J. Vinkovich, Ms. Tricia Shank, Mrs. Nikki Watson, Mrs. LeeAnn S. Guido, Mr. Rick Kaczor, Mr. Tom Deiseroth and Mrs. Pam Key (present by phone)

Board Members Absent: Mrs. Jean Schager

Quorum present

Others Present: Dr. Shannon L. Wagner, Superintendent, Mrs. Jennifer S. Callahan, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, Dr. Gregory Egnor, Director of Student Services and Dr. Autumn Turk, Director of Curriculum and Development

Student Representatives Present: None

**Executive Sessions**

August 13, 2024 – 6:30 PM and Immediately following meeting - Personnel Agenda  
August 20, 2024 – 7:00 PM - Personnel Agenda

**Approval of Minutes**

Agenda Meeting – June 11, 2024; Regular Meeting – June 18, 2024

**Approval of Monthly Financial Reports**

- a. Treasurer's Report
- b. General Fund Report
- c. Capital Reports
- d. Food Service Reports
- e. Student Activity Reports

**Comments from Public - Agenda Items Only**

None

## Reports of Administration and Standing Committees

### SUPERINTENDENT - DR. WAGNER

#### **Student/Staff Recognition and Reports**

**Approval of Settlement, upon recommendation of District's Insurance Carrier, of Insured Case filed in Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania at Civil Action No. 1268 of 2022 in the amount of \$20,265.89 with \$10,000 to be paid by District's Insurer and \$10,265.89 to be paid by District; Appropriate officers of District are directed to execute and deliver any settlement documents necessary to terminate the case**

Dr Wagner requested Board consideration of this item tonight.

<u>MOTION:</u>	Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich	Seconded by: Mrs. Guido
<u>VOTE:</u>	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

#### **Approval of Service Agreement with Emergent 3 for E3 Application and Services for three-year term**

Dr. Wagner explained the agreement and provided an explanation. This system will provide our communication during an emergency to improve internal communication, sends alert, allows chats and mapping systems.

Dr. Wagner stated it was discussed during the June School Safety Report.

Mrs. Guido asked if this is included in the camera security system.

Dr. Wagner explained that this is a different alert that is for teachers and staff to receive an alert with detailed notification.

Ms. Shank explained the system used at Leechburg Area School District which is a communication tool for teachers to use.

Dr. Roland added that yes, there are panic buttons in the camera security system for police, but this is for a person to communicate with others in an event who is safe and where people are, etc. The new camera system is wonderful, but this is an internal communication. There is no panic button in each classroom.

Mr. Kaczor asked if students would have this as well.

Dr. Roland stated we can set it up to notify parents/students, etc. but the main reason is to have interactive communication with people in the buildings.

General discussion ensued regarding how the system works and uses expected and costs.

Mr. Kaczor suggested that this should be a portion of the new Verkada camera system.

Mrs. Watson questioned who would be entering information such as parent contacts. She asked would faculty have an app on their phone and would students' personal information be included.

Dr. Roland stated she would work with the vendor to provide data. Faculty could have an app or use a Chromebook.

Dr. Wagner clarified at this point we are intending to use it as internal communication for staff.

Dr. Roland clarified the features list does not include family. It is for school and emergency responders within the District only and no student personal information will be included.

Mrs. Watson expressed her concerns since these technologies are very new and she wants to be responsible with decisions.

**Approval of Agreement with Kelly Morrissey, Contractor for School Security Guards for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Wagner stated we are recommending continuing the armed security guard at Bon Air. This is actually an agreement with Mr. Morrissey and he is the one who is here providing security.

**Permission to enroll nonresident students (2) tuition-free through October 31, 2024 pending contracted purchase of home, in accordance with Board Policy 202 regarding future residents**

Dr. Wagner stated this request is within Board policy regarding a pending contract of home.

**Permission to enroll nonresident students (3) tuition-free through September 30, 2024 while seeking to establish residency**

Dr. Wagner explained that this request is not within Board policy because there is no contract or rental agreement at this point.

Dr. Wagner stated that there may be one additional similar request next week.

**Approval of Professional Specialists Benefit Package**

Dr. Wagner stated the Board discussed this in Executive Session as part of the personnel log. She asked if there were any questions or if the Board would like to proceed to have this package approved as it coincides with one of the recommend personnel hirings – athletic trainer.

<u>MOTION:</u>	Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich	Seconded by: Mrs. Guido
<u>VOTE:</u>	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

**Capital Improvement and Renovation plans - Architect Review Information**

Dr. Wagner stated she will be sharing more information next week. Andreas Dometakis from HHSDR will be present to discuss the full facilities study and recommendations. The Board can then discuss projects we are considering and what we will need to prepare to move forward.

Dr. Wagner stated if we want to move forward with something next summer, we need to move forward with authorizing the Architects to draw up specifications so that we can bid on a project.

Mrs. Beveridge asked if we received any information regarding the grant for school facility improvements.

Dr. Wagner responded no but we are working toward the items that we need to do regardless of the grant.

**Authorization for HHSDR Architects & Engineers to prepare construction bid documents and to proceed with specs for project: Capital Improvement and Renovation plans**

Dr. Wagner stated if Board members feel ready to move forward next week, we may want to approve this item so we can get the best opportunity for bids.



Mrs. Callahan added that she has been working with the Investment Bankers and Bond Counsel to move forward with the bond issue that the Board approved to fund Capital Improvements. The Bond rating call was held and we could possibly be issuing bonds and closing within a month or so if rates continue to be favorable.

#### **OTHER ADMINISTRATION - DR. TURK / DR. EGNOR**

##### **Approval of Enrollment Contracts with The University School for special education services for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor stated this is an annual agreement.

Mrs. Guido stated the contract has a discrepancy in tuition if it is a full year or semester.

Dr. Wagner asked Dr. Egnor to clarify the amount.

Dr. Egnor said the \$13,700 listed is for a semester and he will clarify within the agreement for next week.

##### **Approval of Enrollment Agreement with The Watson Institute Social Center for Academic Achievement (WISCA-Sharpsburg) program for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor stated this is another agreement for student placement and last year was the first full year of this placement.

##### **Approval of Letter of Agreement with Westmoreland Casemanagement & Supports, Inc for Student Assistance Program for 2024-2025 school year (Attachment 8-1A)**

Dr. Egnor stated that he is requesting approval this evening so they can release the liaison to begin working in our District. The County has invested in the SAP program with these liaisons. The dedicated liaison is at their cost but they have moved to 12-month employees so he would like to have this approved.

Dr. Egnor stated there is no cost to the District.

<u>MOTION:</u>	Motion by: Ms. Shank	Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich
<u>VOTE:</u>	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

##### **Approval of Services Agreement with New Story Schools for educational services for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor stated this is a yearly agreement for student placements.

Ms. Shank asked about the cost and is this as needed or are there enrollments already.

Dr. Egnor stated it is as listed in the agreement.

Dr. Wagner stated the Addendum lists the cost.

Dr. Egnor stated there is a student placed there now, but he is working toward replacement.

##### **Approval of Agreement with Wesley Family Services for Partial Hospital Program for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor explained that this is located at Deer Lakes High School. This is needed when students are placed by family or medical doctors. Students placed there receive mental health treatment and education.

**Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with SPS Behavioral Health for Drug & Alcohol Case Management/Assessment Services for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor stated this is a yearly agreement for in school counseling and case management.

**Approval of Agreement with KeySolution Staffing, LLC for School Psychologist Services beginning July 20, 2024**

Dr. Egnor explained that this is a replacement for previous agreements and is specific for school psychologist services when we have a need for additional evaluations than what our school psychologist can perform and to ensure timely completion of evaluations to have best services for students.

**Approval of Agreement with Family Counseling Center of Armstrong County for partial hospitalization services for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor explained that this program gets used more often.

**Permission to discard obsolete textbooks**

Dr. Turk explained that these texts are outdated and no one is interested in receiving them as donations.

**PERSONNEL: Approval of Personnel Log dated August 13, 2024 (Attached)**

<u>MOTION:</u>	Motion by: Mrs. Guido	Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich
<u>VOTE:</u>	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Dr. Wagner introduced Nathan Sroka, Athletic Trainer hired this evening.

Mr. Sroka stated he is happy to be here and will be starting tomorrow.

**Northern Westmoreland Career & Technology Center Report - Mr. Kaczor/Mr. Vinkovich**

**Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Report - Mrs. Watson**

**PSBA Liaison Report - Mr. Deiseroth**

**BUSINESS - MRS. CALLAHAN**

**Approval of bus routes for 2024-2025 school year**

Mrs. Callahan stated that Jim Croushore, Transportation Administrator and Erin Pruitt, Transportation Secretary work closely with W.L. Roenigk, our transportation vendor, on the most efficient and safe bus routes for our students. There are no bus/route consolidations or eliminations for the 2024-2025 school year. As our student population continues to decline, the Transportation Department will continue to work with W.L. Roenigk to ensure we have the safest and most efficient routes possible for students. In years past, we have made route consolidations during the school year if the situation warranted a change.

Mrs. Beveridge asked about NWCTC bussing. Last year she received information from NWCTC about bus runs on a different schedule, etc. She has not received information from NWCTC about bussing and said there is no information but students at NWCTC start school next week.

Dr. Roland suggested she check her email and to contact the High School office for more information tomorrow.



### **Approval of W.L Roenigk, Inc. bus and van drivers list for 2024-2025 school year**

Mrs. Callahan reported that according to Jim Croushore, W.L. Roenigk continues to have difficulty in hiring and retaining bus drivers. W.L. Roenigk has an incentive program for free CDL education provided that the driver agrees to work for the company for a short, yet specified period. Drivers are trained by Roenigk administrative staff and tested through PennDOT for their CDL license.

Mrs. Callahan stated there are two new drivers for Burrell busing this year, however, these drivers are not new to W.L. Roenigk. Mrs. Callahan stated W.L. Roenigk serves Burrell School District admirably despite the staffing challenges.

### **Approval of Educational Services Agreement with Catapult Learning, LLC for Non-public Title I Services for 2024-2025 school year**

Mrs. Callahan explained that the District is required to provide non-public Title I services for some of our resident students that attend other schools using a small portion of our Title I funding so this agreement covers that requirement by having Catapult Learning provide the services. We only pay for the services used so it often ends up being less than the original contract amount. The preliminary Title 1 allotment for 2024-2025 is \$258,424 and this non-public services agreement is for \$3,181.

### **Permission to discard obsolete equipment**

Mrs. Callahan stated Mr. Ferra is requesting permission to discard the list of old athletic uniforms and equipment. These items are not usable and are taking up valuable storage space.

### **Communications**

#### **Requests for Use of Buildings**

#### **Payment of Bills**

#### **Additions to Agenda (Agenda Meeting only)**

#### **Comments from Public**

None

Mrs. Key commended Ms. Donnelly, the art teacher at the elementary schools. During "Christmas in July" at the Farmers Market, Ms. Donnelly provided student artwork and spent time at the market, greeted students and talked about the art program. She commended Ms. Donnelly for spending her time and could tell how much of an impact she has on the students by their reactions to her. Mrs. Key appreciated her being there.

### **Adjournment at 8:04 PM**

#### **MOTION:**

Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich

Seconded by: Mrs. Guido

#### **VOTE:**

Roll Call: All in Favor

MOTION CARRIED



Jennifer S. Callahan  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**BURRELL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**Call to Order**

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**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mrs. Key asked all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Board Members Present: Mrs. Gretchen V. Beveridge, Mr. Timothy J. Vinkovich, Mrs. Nikki Watson, Mr. Rick Kaczor, Mr. Tom Deiseroth and Mrs. Pam Key

Board Members Absent: Ms. Tricia Shank, Mrs. LeeAnn S. Guido and Mrs. Jean Schager

Quorum present

Others Present: Dr. Shannon L. Wagner, Superintendent, Mrs. Jennifer S. Callahan, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, Dr. Gregory Egnor, Director of Student Services and Development and Solicitor Lee Price

Student Representatives Present: None

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<b><u>MOTION:</u></b>	Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich	Seconded by: Mrs. Beveridge
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of Monthly Financial Reports**

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- b. General Fund Report (Attachment 8-2)
- c. Capital Reports (Attachment 8-3)
- d. Food Service Reports (Attachment 8-4)
- e. Student Activity Reports (Attachment 8-5)

<b><u>MOTION:</u></b>	Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich	Seconded by: Mrs. Beveridge
<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

## Comments from Public - Agenda Items Only

None

## **Reports of Administration and Standing Committees**

### **SUPERINTENDENT - DR. WAGNER**

#### **Student/Staff Recognition and Reports**

Dr Wagner reported:

- PSBA Honor Roll: PSBA recognized Board members with 5 years of service:  
Tom Deiseroth and LeeAnn Guido

**Settlement, upon recommendation of District's Insurance Carrier, of Insured Case filed in Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania at Civil Action No. 1268 of 2022 in the amount of \$20,265.89 with \$10,000 to be paid by District's Insurer and \$10,265.89 to be paid by District; Appropriate officers of District are directed to execute and deliver any settlement documents necessary to terminate the case**

Dr Wagner reported agenda item was approved on August 13, 2024 at Agenda Meeting.

#### **Approval of Service Agreement with Emergent 3 for E3 Application and Services for three-year term**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich Seconded by:

MOTION FAILED – WAS NOT SECONDED

#### **Approval of Agreement with Kelly Morrissey, Contractor for School Security Guards for 2024-2025 school year**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

#### **Permission to enroll nonresident students (2) tuition-free through October 31, 2024 pending contracted purchase of home, in accordance with Board Policy 202 regarding future residents**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Kaczor Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

#### **Permission to enroll nonresident students (3) tuition-free through September 30, 2024 pending construction of rental unit in accordance with Board Policy 202 regarding future residents**

Dr. Wagner stated we received the lease for family that begins on September 15 so she changed the wording for the motion.

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth Seconded by: Mrs. Guido

DISCUSSION:  
Mr. Kaczor asked if we have the signed lease.



Dr. Wagner explained that the property owner provided a letter stating that this family has signed a lease to rent the property starting on September 15.

Mrs. Beveridge asked what happens if they don't move in.

Dr. Wagner read the Board policy that indicates they have to pay tuition if they are not moved in by the date from that date forward.

Mr. Vinkovich asked if tuition is not retroactive.

Mrs. Callahan responded that according to Board policy, it is not. We would prorate amount per school day starting October 1.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor except Mr. Kaczor and Mr. Vinkovich voted NO MOTION CARRIED

Solicitor Lee Price stated the motion passed because the majority of members present voted yes.

### **Professional Specialists Benefit Package**

Dr Wagner reported agenda item was approved on August 13, 2024 at Agenda Meeting.

### **Capital Improvement and Renovation plans - Architect Review Information**

Dr. Wagner reported:

- Board has been discussing potential capital improvements and considering closing Stewart over past several months
- Architect has looked at all of the ideas and concepts that have been discussed
- Architect did study of buildings and has some recommendations and estimates for moving forward
- Timeline for doing any construction next summer would need to develop specs and then bid and then award bids to be able to proceed
- Suggested the Board consider moving forward with some specs so that if we are awarded the facilities grant, we are ready to go next summer
- Also need to consider adding on to Bon Air if decide to close Stewart

Dr. Wagner asked Architects to review some of the detailed information.

HHSDR Representatives Andreas Dometakis and Jim Vizzini provided a written report regarding recommendations and costs for potential construction projects.

Mr. Kaczor asked them if Stewart should be rehabilitated or closed.

Mr. Dometakis stated you have more capacity than actually need so in his opinion it is an easy decision to close Stewart if not going to use it for other options.

Mr. Vizzini stated it does not make sense to renovate the older part of Stewart but it is a Board decision.

Mrs. Key stated she thinks that the money that would be spent to renovate part of Stewart doesn't make sense to spend when we still have to do work at all of the other buildings. She wants to do what is best for the kids but also not to spend more money than we need to.

Mrs. Beveridge asked for a summary of what the Board talked about in June.

Dr. Wagner responded that the Board seemed to lean toward closing Stewart and put 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Bon Air and 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Middle School.

Mrs. Beveridge stated the conversation should be about how the money is best spent.

General discussion ensued of various options and costs.

Dr. Wagner reviewed options and discussed approximate overall costs:

- Close Stewart and put K-4 at Bon Air and 5<sup>th</sup> at Middle School - with all other upgrades \$20 million
- Close Stewart and put K-5 at Bon Air - with all other upgrades \$26 million
- Update Stewart and do all of the other things - \$36 million

Mr. Kaczor asked about student capacity.

General discussion ensued regarding the District fitting 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Bon Air and 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Middle School with some additional cafeteria space/size at Bon Air.

Mr. Kaczor asked HHSDR about their confidence in the estimates.

Mr. Dometakis stated the estimates could go up or down but it seems to be going down.

Dr. Wagner discussed the timeline. She explained that if the Board is interested in doing any of these things over the next 3 years, it makes sense to proceed and have specs done so that we are prepared. We are not asking for approval to advertise bids at this point, but we would be obligated to pay architects to do specs.

Mr. Kaczor stated we should have Architects move forward with specifications for Option 1 - Close Stewart and put K-4 at Bon Air and 5<sup>th</sup> at Middle School - with all other upgrades but minus the demolition of Stewart.

Mr. Vinkovich stated that he agrees.

Dr. Wagner explained they would have some of the items separated so we can decide what we want to do if we have to pull things out.

Mr. Vizzini explained that even though we do not know about grant funding, he suggested that the High School job should be bid in January/February so we can ensure it is done in the summer. Discussed controls/boilers and that there is a better way to move air in a building which is typically a difficult thing to do in an existing building. However, this building has a basement that could house all of the equipment and be working on it downstairs, etc.

Mr. Dometakis stated he would put a schedule together once we have some direction.

Mrs. Beveridge confirmed that if we proceed with Option 1 and no demolition of Stewart, we should proceed with High School boilers first.

Mr. Dometakis responded they can do the project in phases as well.

Solicitor Lee Price stated the Board could authorize whatever specs we want to do and bid as we authorize.

Mrs. Watson stated she does not agree with Option 1 and she stated she is advocating for 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Bon Air. She does not feel we are being fair to all the options.

Dr. Wagner stated the design might be different so the cafeteria or cafeteria and classrooms may look different so additional specs would be needed to consider that option.



Mrs. Callahan stated it will cost additional for specs.

Mr. Dometakis stated they would design it with a potential of 6 classrooms in mind.

Mrs. Key asked Mrs. Watson what is your apprehension of 5<sup>th</sup> grade going to Middle School? When we had the hearing, the teachers of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade were clear about how they didn't have concerns about 5<sup>th</sup> at Middle School but were more concerned with 5<sup>th</sup> grade being with Kindergarten.

Mrs. Watson stated she is not sure it has been resolved and there are people missing tonight. She thinks teachers originally preferred K-5 and then heard overt persuasion for 5<sup>th</sup> grade at the Middle School for the first time. She thinks there are also others advocating for K-5 but feels like if we go with Option 1 for specs at this time, we are making these decisions.

Dr. Wagner stated the only difference is 7 rooms and design feature, so we may want them to consider it in case it is needed in the future.

Mr. Kaczor asked if we have them Specs with both options for 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Solicitor Lee Price asked is it a lot more work to engineering to add classrooms.

Mr. Vizzini stated we may need another boiler, etc.

Mr. Dometakis stated we have the pool and paving in here as well. He asked for clarification if they are to keep this in here as well because they will need to bring in a specialist.

**Authorization for HHSDR Architects & Engineers to prepare construction bid documents and to proceed with specs for project: Capital Improvement and Renovation**

**MOTION:**      **Authorization for HHSDR Architects & Engineers to prepare construction bid documents and to proceed with design and specifications for projects included in Option 2 excluding Stewart demolition and making BA 7 classroom addition as a separate bid or alternate**

Motion by: Mrs. Beveridge      Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich

**VOTE:**      Roll Call: All in Favor      MOTION CARRIED

**OTHER ADMINISTRATION - DR. TURK / DR. EGNOR**

**Approval of Enrollment Contracts with The University School for special education services for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor explained that this agreement has been revised to clarify costs per semester.

**MOTION:**      Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich      Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth

**DISCUSSION:**  
General discussion ensued about billing.

**VOTE:**      Roll Call: All in Favor      MOTION CARRIED



**Approval of Enrollment Agreement with The Watson Institute Social Center for Academic Achievement (WISCA-Sharpburg) program for 2024-2025 school year**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth      Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor except Mr. Kaczor voted NO      MOTION CARRIED

**Letter of Agreement with Westmoreland Casemanagement & Supports, Inc for Student Assistance Program for 2024-2025 school year**

Dr. Egnor reported this item was approved at the Agenda Meeting last week and the liaison started yesterday.

**Approval of Services Agreement with New Story Schools for educational services for 2024-2025 school year**

MOTION: Motion by: Mrs. Beveridge      Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth

DISCUSSION:  
General discussion ensued about these special placement costs.

Dr. Egnor stated more specialized services are costing more but we make every arrangement to avoid placement.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor      MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of Agreement with Wesley Family Services for Partial Hospital Program for 2024-2025 school year (Attachment 8-6)**

MOTION: Motion by: Mrs. Beveridge      Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor      MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with SPHS Behavioral Health for Drug & Alcohol Case Management/Assessment Services for 2024-2025 school year (Attachment 8-7)**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Kaczor      Seconded by: Mrs. Beveridge  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor      MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of Agreement with KeySolution Staffing, LLC for School Psychologist Services beginning July 20, 2024 (Attachment 8-8)**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich      Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor      MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of Agreement with Family Counseling Center of Armstrong County for partial hospitalization services for 2024-2025 school year**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth      Seconded by: Mrs. Beveridge  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor      MOTION CARRIED

## **Permission to discard obsolete textbooks**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Kaczor                      Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor                      MOTION CARRIED

## **PERSONNEL: Approval of Personnel Log dated August 20, 2024 (Attached)**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich                      Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor                      MOTION CARRIED

## **Northern Westmoreland Career & Technology Center Report - Mr. Kaczor/Mr. Vinkovich**

Mr. Kaczor reported:

- Point Park University articulation agreement for Aspiring Education - giving students 15 credits
- Raised tuition to standard amount per student; Districts that are not member Districts pay this amount to send students
- Grow Westmoreland Grant in the amount of \$10,000
- Hired Aspiring Education teacher
- Highest student enrollment in history of the school over 500 students

## **Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Report - Mrs. Watson**

Mrs. Watson asked Mr. Rice to speak.

Mr. Rice reported:

- Clairview and partials start tomorrow
- Student Services Regional Summit in November paid by IU at Gettysburg

## **PSBA Liaison Report - Mr. Deiseroth**

Mr. Deiseroth reported:

- State budget finalized
- House/Senate on recess

## **BUSINESS - MRS. CALLAHAN**

### **Approval of bus routes for 2024-2025 school year**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Kaczor                      Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich  
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor                      MOTION CARRIED

### **Approval of W.L. Roenigk, Inc. bus and van drivers list for 2024-2025 school year**

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich                      Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Mrs. Beveridge stated it seems that there are a lot fewer drivers than last year.

Mr. Kaczor stated he thinks there are other drivers.

Solicitor Lee Price stated that Board is required to approve drivers so can have Board approve additional drivers as they are added.

Mrs. Callahan stated she will speak to Mr. Croushore, Transportation Director and request all new drivers be submitted for Board approval including substitutes and private school drivers.

VOTE:            Roll Call: All in Favor            MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of Educational Services Agreement with Catapult Learning, LLC for Non-public Title I Services for 2024-2025 school year (Attachment 8-9)**

MOTION:        Motion by: Mr. Kaczor            Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich  
VOTE:            Roll Call: All in Favor            MOTION CARRIED

**Permission to discard obsolete equipment**

MOTION:        Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth        Seconded by: Mr. Kaczor

DISCUSSION:  
Mr. Kaczor asked if we can combine discard of text and equipment.

Mrs. Callahan explained that Dr. Turk deals with curriculum so texts are under her part.

VOTE:            Roll Call: All in Favor            MOTION CARRIED

**Communications**

None

**Requests for Use of Buildings (Attachment 8-10)**

MOTION:        Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth        Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich  
VOTE:            Roll Call: All in Favor            MOTION CARRIED

**Payment of Bills (Attachment 8-11)**

MOTION:        Motion by: Mr. Vinkovich        Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth  
VOTE:            Roll Call: All in Favor            MOTION CARRIED

**Additions to Agenda (Agenda Meeting only)**

**Comments from Public**

None

Mr. Kaczor asked if we move the September meetings can we vote on Stewart closure.

Solicitor Lee Price responded that it requires 3 calendar months from the hearing so you could not vote on it until at least Wednesday September 25.



Dr. Wagner recommended making the decision in October.

Mrs. Beveridge asked about options and does it matter that we did not discuss demolition of Stewart.

Mrs. Key responded no.

**Adjournment at 9:13 PM**

<u>MOTION:</u>	Motion by: Mrs. Beveridge	Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich
<u>VOTE:</u>	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED



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Jennifer S. Callahan  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

JSC/mls