

WILSON BOROUGH, PA
October 21, 2024

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 Student and Legal Issues.

The session was called to order at 6:46 p.m. by Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, President, with the following members present: Ms. Janis Krieger, Mr. Johnathan Jones (6:58 p.m.), Mrs. Holly Waugh, Mrs. Maggie Hall, Mr. Jeffrey Breidinger, Sr., Mrs. Linda Baskwell, and Mrs. Molly Sunderlin. Absent: Mrs. Allyson Palinkas. Also present: Mr. John Martuscelli, Acting Superintendent/High School Principal, 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 7:02 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, and Mrs. Molly Sunderlin. Absent: Mrs. Allyson Palinkas. Also present: Mr. John Martuscelli, Acting Superintendent/High School Principal; Ms. Stephanie Arnold, Business Manager/Secretary; Ms. Alyssa Hicks, Solicitor; Mr. Christopher Albi, High School Assistant Principal; Mr. Michael Chromey, Intermediate School 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; Ms. Eliza Pauser, Student Representative, and Mr. Brian Meckley, WAEA Representative.

Ms. Allie Macchi, Managing Director of Raymond James, made a presentation to the Board.

The Board reviewed the agenda.

There were no communications to be read.

Ms. Pauser reported the following on Student Affairs:

- Homecoming was a success.
- Spirit Week started today.
- Senior football players, band participants and cheerleaders will be honored at the last home game on October 26th.
- The Senior Sunrise event will take place on Thursday morning, October 24th at the stadium.
- Wilson Buddies will once again host Trunk or Treat.
- The Drama Club will present their fall production of the Three Musketeers on November 8th and November 9th.

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

- NCC is seeing continued enrollment growth this fall, with the number of students up 5% and increases in both full-time and part-time students. This is the third consecutive year of solid enrollment growth for the college.
- NCC has been selected to join the national Complete College America initiative, funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, to enhance student success and close gaps in college access and completion. We are one of only 80 institutions nationwide selected to participate in the program..
- Winter term registration is now open and offers access to numerous accelerated courses for students to complete during the month of December. All courses are offered 100 percent online. Spring term registration begins in late October.
- The Fall Open House took place on October 19th at the Pocono location and will take place on October 26th at the Bethlehem location. These events provide prospective students and their families with the opportunity to explore campus, meet faculty, and learn about academic programs.

There was no report presented on Career Institute. Mrs. Baskwell reported the following on the Intermediate Unit:

- A former student at the Intermediate Unit presented his Eagle Scout project on October 23rd.
- There was no report presented on Wilson Area Education Association. There was no report presented on Curriculum and Grants. There was no report presented on Student Services. There was no report presented on Technology. There was no report presented on Facilities. 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 Partners in Education Foundation:
- They will start meeting again in the new year.

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

- There are 125 Warrior Bags being distributed weekly.
- The US Attorney's Office from Allentown volunteered to fill bags.
- The Friends and Family Event at Boscov's will be held on October 22nd. The \$5 donation will entitle shoppers to 25% off all purchases.
- Photos with Santa will be held on December 7th at the High School. Sponsors and donations are needed. All volunteers are welcome.

Mr. Jones reported the following on WASD Ally Team:

- At their last meeting, goals and mission resources were reviewed.
- Google site was established to provide allyship resource for teachers.

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 16, 2024
- Treasurer's Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit
- Investment Schedule – September, 2024
- Regular bills in the amount of: \$ 670,661.30
- Cafeteria bills in the amount of: \$ 134,716.57
- Capital Projects in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Retiree bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Capital Reserve in the amount of: \$ 15,317.05

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

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

- Approve the vendor(s) for fuel oil for the 2025-2026 school year as to be recommended by the Northampton/Monroe/Pike County Joint Purchasing Board and to be approved by the Colonial Intermediate Unit 20 Board of Directors at the October 2024 regularly scheduled meeting.

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

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

- Bond Financing Resolution – General Obligation Bonds Series of 2024 – Maximum aggregate principal amount - \$60,000,000.00

Result of roll call vote: Herbstreith – yes; Krieger – yes; Jones – yes; Waugh – yes; Hall – yes; Briedinger, Sr., - yes; Baskwell – yes; Sunderlin – Yes. Absent: Palinkas

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

- Spring Sports Bid - \$8,314.00
 - MF Athletics – High Jump Pit

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

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

- Resignation
 - Joshua Koch – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Band Director, Jazz Band Advisor, and Pep Band Advisor – effective October 22, 2024
- Appointments
 - Matthew Raudenbaugh – Temporary Professional Employee – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Instrumental Music Teacher – Salary Bachelors, Step 1 - \$51,722.00 (prorated) – effective October 23, 2024 – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure Forms
 - Carol Monkiewicz – Wilson Borough Elementary School – Long-Term Substitute – Reading Specialist - \$271.81/day effective October 22, 2024
 - Saquon Burton – Williams Township Elementary School – Part-Time Recess Aide - \$25.22/hr – effective October 22, 2024
 - Meagan Kress – Avona Elementary School and Wilson Borough Elementary School – Part-Time Health Room Aide - \$25.22/hr – effective November 4, 2024

- Erin Kaufmann – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Language Arts Department Head – salary \$1,208.00 (prorated) – effective October 22, 2024
 - Erin Kaufmann – Wilson Area Intermediate School – Reading Department Head – salary \$1,208 (prorated) – effective October 22, 2024
- Mentors
 - Cassandra Schneck
 - Jennifer Harbison
- Substitutes
 - Halla Salem – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher and Instructional Aide
 - Jazmyn Shook – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher, Instructional Aide, and Clerical Aide
 - Marisa Hartline – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher and Instructional Aide
 - Sarah Abraham – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher and Instructional Aide
 - Diane Bonilla-Morales – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher and Instructional Aide
 - Sarah Metzgar – Prospective Educator Permit – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure Forms
 - Ava Mariani – Prospective Educator Permit – pending receipt of Act 168 Disclosure Forms
- Change of Status
 - Victoria Hanus – FROM Temporary Professional Employee TO Professional Employee

- Unpaid Leave
 - Employee #DE2514 – starting September 20, 2024 for approximately 6 weeks

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

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

Approval of Curriculum

- Elementary Level
 - Science Grades K-4
 - Technology Grades K-4
- Intermediate School
 - Family Consumer Science Grades 6 and 8
 - Physical Education Grades 7 and 8
 - Physical Wellness Aquatics Grades 5 and 6
 - Science Grades 5-8
 - Technology Computer Arts Grade 5
 - Technology Education Grades 6-8
- High School
 - Accounting 1
 - Acoustic Guitar
 - Introduction to Computer Skills
 - Product Design and Manufacturing
 - Forensic Science Grade 12

Result of Vote: Aye 8; Nay 0; Absent 1.

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

- Wilson Area Intermediate School – Student Expulsion Agreement
 - Student #290259
- Wilson Area High School – Concert Choir Group to New York City – March 15, 2025 – No cost to the District
- Proposed Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting – Monday, November 4, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
- Proposed Excellence in Education Committee meeting – Monday, November 4, 2024, 6:15 p.m.

Result of Vote: Aye 8; Nay 0; Absent 1.

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Monday, November 4, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Moved by Waugh, seconded by Hall, and carried by voice vote that the Board Meeting be adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Result of Vote: Aye 8; Nay 0; Absent 1.



STEPHANIE L. ARNOLD
Secretary