

WILSON BOROUGH, PA
March 17, 2025

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 legal/litigation issues.

The session was called to order 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. Allyson Palinkas. Absent: Mrs. Molly Sunderlin. Also present: Dr. Harrison Bailey, III, Superintendent, 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 7:07 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. Allyson Palinkas. Absent: Mrs. Molly Sunderlin. Also present: Dr. Harrison Bailey, III, Superintendent; Mrs. Amy Austin, Assistant Superintendent; Ms. Stephanie Arnold, Business Manager/Secretary; Ms. Alyssa 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; Mr. Kevin Steidle, Williams Township Elementary School Principal; Mr. Ian Beitler, Wilson Borough Elementary School Principal; 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.

There were no communications to be read.

The Superintendent reported the following:

- Last day of school
 - Students
 - Friday, May 30, 2025
 - Staff
 - Monday, June 2, 2025 (Professional Development Day)
 - Tuesday, June 3, 2025 (Last Teacher Day)
- Capital Improvement Projects
 - Current Items Identified
 - Examine Projected Costs (2025 dollars)

The Board reviewed the Agenda.

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

- State of Education report has been published for 2025.
 - Five top issues:
 - Scarcity of mental health providers and lack of funding
 - Charter School tuition
 - Special Education increases
 - Healthcare increases
 - School construction

Ms. Krieger reported the following on the Community College:

- Enrollment is positive over last year
- Nine administrators from the Middle States Accreditation Team were on site to review NCC
- Annual Peace and Justice Conference will be held on March 20th and March 21st
- Annual Humanities Program will be held on April 15th

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

- Emily Drake – 2nd place in Tech Drafting
- 5 students will be competing in Skills USA
- Spring Open House will be held on April 2nd
- Cupcake Competition will be held on March 26th
- A Welding Fabrication Program will be offered in the 26-27 school year
- Forks Township Police have terminated their agreement for the 25-26 school year
- Brielle Haney took her cosmetology state boards early and passed
- As of March 5th, 11 programs are full or have a wait list
- Vet Tech program is full
- Enrollment is up 13 applications over last year at this time

There was no report presented on the Intermediate Unit. 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 Operations. There was no report presented on Athletic Committee. There was no report presented on Excellence in Education. Ms. Krieger reported the following on the Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation:

- Their next meeting will be held on March 20th.

Mrs. Waugh reported the following on LINCS:

- The following items are needed for the Warrior Bags:
 - Juice
 - Mac-n-cheese
 - Canned soup
 - Ramen
 - Salty or sweet snacks
- Panera Fundraiser was held on February 27th. Profit \$47.36
- Looking for volunteers to put Warrior Bags together on the following dates:
 - March 27th
 - April 9th
 - April 10th
- Food Pantry hours are changing to 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Received an \$11,000 Grant from 2 Rivers for Kellan Foundation at the Intermediate School.
- 80 families attended the Community Fun Night.

Mr. Jones reported the following on WASD Ally Team:

- Allyship April is coming up.
- Their next meeting will be held on March 20th.

There was no Public to be Heard.

Moved by Krieger, seconded by Hall, and carried by voice vote to approve the following:

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 13, 2025
- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 3, 2025
- Treasurer's Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit.
- Investment Schedule
 - Regular bills in the amount of: \$2,980,992.27
 - Cafeteria bills in the amount of: \$ 149,258.30
 - Capital Project bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
 - Retiree bills in the amount of: \$ 625.26
 - Capital Reserve bills in the amount of: \$ 95,652.23

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

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

- Finance
 - Colonial IU20 – 2025-2026 General Operating Budget - \$4,431,923.00

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:

- Retirement
 - Michael Denicola – Wilson Area High School – part-time custodian – effective April 15, 2025
- Substitutes
 - Jonathan Consorti – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher, Aide, and Clerical Aide
 - Shannon Reiss – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher, Aide, and Clerical Aide
 - Jenna Mitman – WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher – pending receipt of Act 168 Form

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:

- Homebound Instruction Request – Student #270353

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

Athletic Committee Meeting – April 14, 2025, 5:30 p.m. – Administration Building

Finance Committee Meeting – April 14, 2025, 6:15 p.m. – Administration Building

Next Regular School Board Meeting – April 14, 2025, 7:00 p.m. – Administration Building

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

- Proposed Excellence in Education Committee Meeting – May 5, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

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

Moved by Hall, seconded by Waugh, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the meeting be adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

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

STEPHANIE ARNOLD
Secretary