

**WYOMING VALLEY WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
General Purposes  
June 20, 2025  
In-Person and Zoom**

A Special Meeting for General Purposes was held at the Middle School and on Zoom, on the above date. President Kamus called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m. The following Board Members answered present to roll call: Wilson, Dubaskas, Hardwick (phone), Keating (phone), McGinley, Perfetto, Kobusky, Cussatt (Zoom), and Kamus. Superintendent Tosh, Finance Manager Kachurak, Attorney Fellerman, and Board Secretary Bullock were present. Moment of Silence was followed by a salute to the flag.

**STATEMENTS FROM INTERESTED CITIZENS**

(none)

**GENERAL RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Moved by McGinley, seconded by Keating, that the Board of School Directors act on the following General Recommended Items:

1. Approved the **final budget** for **2025/2026** in the amount of **\$100,248,438**.
2. Established the school **tax millage** for fiscal year **2025/2026** at **18.4807 mills** on each dollar of assessed valuation on real estate.
3. Set date on 2025 tax bills of **July 25, 2025**.
4. Approved **Real Estate Tax Installment Payment Plan Resolution**, as presented.
5. Approved **Resolution** on state-funded **Taxpayer Relief Act** for the **2025/2026** school year.
6. Approved the **2025-2026 Annual Tax Levy** as follows: 18.4807 mills real estate tax, \$5.00 per capita tax under Act 511, \$5.00 per capita tax under Section 679 of the Public School Code, \$5.00 per local services tax under Act 511, 0.5% earned income tax under Act 511, 0.5 % real estate transfer tax under Act 511, 0.03 mills business privilege tax under Act 511 and 0.09 mills mercantile tax under Act 511. The discount rate is 2% and ends on September 30, 2025. Face period begins on October 1, 2025 and ends on November 30, 2025. The penalty rate is 10% and begins on December 1, 2025 and ends on December 31, 2025. The last day to pay tax collector is December 31, 2025. Installment payments are due by September 1, 2025, October 15, 2025 and November 30, 2025, respectively.
7. Reenacted resolution adopted May 10, 1989 levying and providing for the assessment and collection of per capita tax upon each resident or inhabitant of the Wyoming Valley West School District 18 years of age, **up to the age of 65**, in the amount of \$5.00 under Act 511 of 1965 and \$5.00 under Section 679 of the Public School Code of 1949. Following amount to be part of this resolution:  
Exemptions: The only persons whose total income from all sources is less than that allowed by law may be exempt from the per capita taxes levied and imposed by the District; provided that each person shall make application to the tax collecting agency for such exemption within the taxable year involved and upon forms provided by the school district tax collector.
8. Approved **Invoice #4182-15** for **SiteLogIQ** in the amount of \$171,292.

9. Approved renewal of Letter of Agreement between the Wyoming Valley West School District and **Kimberly Walek** for the 2025-2026 school year, effective July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026.

**Roll Call:** Wilson, Dubaskas, Hardwick (phone), Keating (phone), McGinley, Perfetto, Kobusky, Cussatt (Zoom), and Kamus voting yes. **Motion Carried.**

### STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Moved by McGinley, seconded by Dubaskas, that the Board of School Directors act on the following Staff Recommended Items:

1. Appointed **David Bond**, Computer Science Teacher, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade, Middle School, effective September 2, 2025, subject to terms of MOU.
2. Approved **long term status** for the following substitute teacher:
  - ❖ **Louis Jablowski** – effective April 14, 2025.
3. Approved **David Tosh**, Superintendent, to assist in the transition of the new Superintendent, beginning July 1, 2025; \$100.00 per hour required.
4. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Hali Storm**, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, effective September 2, 2025, \$66,000.
5. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Bianka Melendez**, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, effective September 2, 2025, \$46,500.
6. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Janelle Krisulevich**, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, effective September 2, 2025, \$46,500.
7. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Jamie Lasecki**, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, effective September 2, 2025, \$69,000.
8. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Melissa Robinson**, Special Education Teacher Middle School, Learning Support, effective September 2, 2025, TBD.
9. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Kirstyn Kobusky**, Special Education Teacher State Street, Emotional Support, effective September 2, 2025, \$46,500.
10. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Ann Malo**, Special Education Teacher Third Avenue, Autistic Support, effective September 2, 2025, \$46,500.
11. Appointed the recommended candidate, **Janine Kravitsky**, Special Education Teacher Dana Street, Life Skills, effective September 2, 2025, \$61,000.

**Roll Call:** Wilson, Dubaskas, Hardwick (phone), Keating (phone), McGinley, Perfetto, Kobusky (abstain #9), Cussatt (Zoom), and Kamus voting yes. **Motion Carried.**

### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Wilson thanked Rob for his hard work. He thanked Mr. Keating and the Finance Committee. Two consecutive years of a no tax increase and the burden of the financials of the district not taken out in the community.

Mrs. Cussatt, ditto to Mr. Wilson's comments.

President Kamus congratulated Mr. Tosh on his retirement. He appreciated all his guidance, support, and dedication to our staff and our students. A job very-well done and he is going to be missed.

Mr. Tosh said it has been an honor and a privilege in this district. If you look at some of the neighboring school districts, the fiscal positions that unfortunately they are in due to under funding from the state and take a look at where Wyoming Valley West's fund balance is, it is a reflection on this school board, our business manager, our administrators, and everybody associated with the team approach. This district is in great shape moving forward in the future. I look forward to working with our new Superintendent. He

is going to do a phenomenal job. He thanked the Board and the Boards of the past for the opportunity to serve.

President Kamus announced the next scheduled meetings, the August Work Session, Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and the Regular August meeting, Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by McGinley, seconded by Wilson, that the Board of School Directors adjourn this meeting. **Motion Carried.**

**Meeting adjourned: 12:15 p.m.**

  
Jennifer Bullock, Board Secretary

A tape of this meeting will be maintained at the District Office until the minutes are accepted at the next scheduled meeting.