

WILSON BOROUGH, PA
November 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 to discuss personnel issues.

The session was called to order at 6:40 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: Dr. Harrison Bailey, III Superintendent, Mrs. Amy Austin, Assistant 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 7:02 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, Mrs. Molly Sunderlin, and Mrs. Allyson Palinkas. Also present: Dr. Harrison Bailey, III Superintendent, Mrs. Amy Austin, Assistant Superintendent; Ms. Stephanie Arnold, Business Manager/Secretary; Mrs. Alyssa Hicks, Solicitor, Mr. John Martuscelli, High School Principal; 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. Laura Samson, Director of Student Services; Mrs. Sandy Le, Human Resources Supervisor; Dr. Alexandra Mindler, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instructional Technology, and Ms. Katelyn Hartrum, Student Representative.

The Board reviewed the agenda.

Mrs. Austin reviewed the following policies:

- Policy #206 - Assignment within District
- Policy #217 - Graduation

There were no communications to be read.

Ms. Hartrum reported the following on Student Affairs:

- Debate Team
 - The first round of debates went well. There has been much improvement, and they are continuing to have amazing attendance.
- Journalism
 - They have started to design the yearbook with the theme being Scrapbook.
- Buddies Club
 - Hosted therapy horses and bowling for IU students.
- Key Club
 - Will be holding CPR sessions.
- Service Club
 - Currently collecting food donations for the LINCS.
- Hallway decorating is complete.
- The senior class is currently planning a senior trip. They are weighing the costs and options.
- Drama Club had their fall play, which went well. They started planning their spring musical.
- Choir is starting Cabaret.
- Marching Band finished their season and placed second in their most recent competition.

Mrs. Herbstreith reported the following on Legislative issues:

- The budget for 2025-2026 in the amount of \$50B has passed.
 - \$105M increase in Basic Education
 - \$40M increase in Special Education
 - \$565M increase in Ready to Learn
 - \$125M in Safety & Wellness
 - Grow PA Scholarship Grant Program - \$5,000 given to students pursuing education
 - Added \$10M to the Student Teaching Program
 - Habitual truant students cannot transfer in the middle of the year unless a judge rules in favor of it.
 - \$178M reduction in schools paying Charter Schools

Ms. Krieger reported the following on the Community College:

- Fall enrollment remains strong, showing a 5% increase in credit hours compared to last year. Winter and Spring registrations are also trending favorably.
- NCC is collaborating with Amazon Web Services (AWS) and Sumitomo Electric Lightwave to offer a free Fiber Optic Fusion Splicing Certificate Course on November 17-18 in Alumni Hall.

- The Women's Volleyball Team departed for Cedar Rapids, Iowa to compete in the NJCAA National Tournament after capturing the East A District Championship earlier this month. The team also landed four players on the 2025 Division III All-Region Team.
- NCC recently earned the PA CARES designation for 2025-2026 from PDE, recognizing the college's leadership in supporting student mental health and suicide prevention.
- Reibman Hall Children's Center has officially earned NAEYC Accreditation Plus, which is the highest level of national accreditation awarded by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

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

- The IU is providing a morning advocacy program "It Takes a Village" on November 19th.

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 Athletics. There was no report presented on Excellence in Education. Ms. Krieger reported the following on Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation:

- Their next meeting will be held on November 20th.
- They will be participating in Photos with Santa on 12/6.

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

- All information on upcoming events are posted is wilsonarealincs.org
- Photos with Santa will be held on December 6th. The cost is \$5.00 per child.
- Toy donations are being collected through December 1st. Drop offs are located at Wilson Laundry on Butler Street, MML, Salon on Butler, George's Pizza and My Little Farm Stand on Berger Road.
- Little Caesar Fundraiser is going on now.
- They have seen an increase in Warrior Bags.
- Food Pantry usage has increased.
- Amazon wish list is available for the community to provide donations.
- Their next meeting will be held on November 18th.

Mr. Jones reported the following on WASD Ally Team:

- The theme for March will be Open Mindness. The Board will be featured in the newsletter.

- Allyship Committee will award a Scholarship for a graduate that shows Ally Traits as well as a Service Project Scholarship for a graduate whose focus is on Allyship and service to others.
- Discussed definition of Allyship and how we can carry this out.

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

- Minutes of the September 15, 2025 Board Meeting
- Minutes of the October 6, 2025 Board Meeting
- Treasurer’s Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit
- October 2025 Investment Schedule, as listed and attached; be accepted and filed for audit
- Regular bills in the amount of: \$1,754,138.06
- Cafeteria bills in the amount of: \$ 359,359.89
- Capital Project bills in the amount of: \$ 0.00
- Retiree bills in the amount of : \$ 0.00
- Capital Reserve bills in the amount of: \$ 243,853.82

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 following:

- Finance
 - Krise Transportation, Inc. – effective November 18, 2025 through June 30, 2026
 - LINCS – Payment for educational services
 - Trane Service Agreement – Williams Township Elementary Building – effective September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026 - \$18,655.00

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

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

- Resignations
 - KayEllen Grey - Wilson Area High School - Full-Time Custodian - effective December 8, 2025
 - Richard Divittorio - Wilson Borough Elementary School - Part-Time Custodian - effective October 11, 2025

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

Moved by Krieger, Seconded by Hall, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- Resignations
 - Andria Jones - Volunteer Cheerleading Coach - effective November 10, 2025
 - Serena Crivellaro - Volunteer Cheerleading Coach - effective November 11, 2025

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

Moved by Krieger, Seconded by Hall, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- Resignation
 - Jason Buckman - Assistant Football Coach and Volunteer Baseball Coach - effective November 13, 2025
- Appointments
 - Marina Causa - Wilson Borough Elementary School - Part-Time Instructional Aide - salary \$26.03/hr - effective November 18, 2025 - pending receipt of Act 34, 114, 151, and 168 Disclosure Forms

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

Moved by Krieger, Seconded by Hall, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

- David Swick - Girls' Assistant Wrestling Coach - salary \$4,400.00 - effective 2025-2026 season
- Amy Spatzer - Volunteer Girls' Wrestling Coach - effective 2025-2026 season
- Substitutes
 - Stephanie Turner - Classroom Monitor
 - Alemah Howard - WASD Certified PK-12 Teacher and Instructional Aide

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

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

- Miscellaneous
 - Proposal of Memorandum of Understanding - Substitute Rates - effective after approval of PA state budget
 - Intermediate Student Expulsion Agreement - Student #320275
 - Homeschool Student - Permission to Participate
 - Connor Millen - Wrestling

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

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Monday, December 1, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.
(Reorganization) William P. Tollinger Administration Building, 2040 Washington Blvd., Easton, PA

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

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

The session was called to order at 7:39 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: Dr. Harrison Bailey, III Superintendent, Mrs. Amy Austin, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Stephanie Arnold, Business Manager/Secretary, and Mrs. Allysa Hicks, Solicitor.

Moved by Sunderlin, seconded by Krieger, and carried by voice vote that the Board exit Executive Session at 7:52 p.m.

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 meeting be adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

STEPHANIE L. ARNOLD
Secretary

