

WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting of December 18, 2006

The regular meeting of the Wattsburg Area School District Board of Education was held on Monday, December 18, 2006 at Wattsburg Area Elementary Center.

Mr. Elwin Rose called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Eric Duda, Kerry Duncan, David Hinz, John Rzepka, Joseph Walko, and Elwin Rose. Also in attendance were Mr. Frank Bova, Superintendent, Mr. Steve Maksimuk, Business Manager, and Dr. Lee Constantine, Assistant Superintendent. Linda Smith and James Thompson were absent. Scott Rose arrived at 7:45 p.m.

Roll Call

Minutes of the November 20, 2006 Regular Board Meeting, minutes of the December 4, 2006 Reorganization Meeting, minutes of the December 4, 2006 Special Board Meeting, minutes of the December 11, 2006 Special Board Meeting, and minutes of the December 11, 2006 Regular Work Session were reviewed.

Minutes

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Rzepka. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted "Yes." Motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Maksimuk noted cash in the bank in the amount of \$3,885,526.00 as of November 30, 2006, and cash in the capital reserve account in the amount of \$32,611.88 as of November 30, 2006.

Treasurer's Reports

Motion for approval of the Treasurer's Reports was made by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Rzepka. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted "Yes." Motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Maksimuk presented the NOREBT Trust report. He indicated that the Wattsburg Area School District has a balance of \$138,054.46 as of 10/31/06.

NOREBT Trust Report

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Hinz, seconded by Mr. Rzepka. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted "Yes." Motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Maksimuk reported the amount of General Fund Bills, Exhibit "A" to be \$61,683.16; Checks Already Written, Exhibit "A1" to be \$878,762.30; General Fund Bills, Exhibit "A2" to be \$123,940.89, and Cafeteria Bills, Exhibit "B" to be \$28,765.42.

Payment of Bills

Motion to approve payment of bills was made by Mr. S. Rose, seconded by Mr. Hinz. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. The following member voted "No": Mr. Duda. Motion was carried.

Mr. Maksimuk noted cash in the Seneca High School Activity fund to be \$64,455.50 and cash in the Special Revenue Report (Athletics) to be \$2,066.96.

Seneca High School Activity Fund/Special Revenue Report

Motion for approval was made by Mr. S. Rose, seconded by Mr. Duncan. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted "Yes." Motion was carried unanimously.

Real Estate Tax Exoneration – Exhibit F – Motion: RESOLVED that the Wattsburg Area School District does hereby exonerate the school district real estate tax collectors of its component municipalities and the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau from collecting unpaid and delinquent real estate school taxes for the specific parcels/trailers identified by tax index numbers and for the specific tax years identified as outlined in **Exhibit F**.

Legal Advisement

Motion for approval was made by Mr. S. Rose, seconded by Mr. Duda. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. Motion was carried unanimously.

Legal Advisement
(cont’d)

To accept the 2005-2006 Local Audit report presented by Buffamante, Whipple, and Buttafaro.

Finance

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Walko. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. Motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Duncan requested a Building and Grounds Committee meeting for Monday, January 8, 2007. Time to be determined.

Building and Grounds

Appointments – Michael Ellicott - Wattsburg Area Middle School Level Science Teacher, at a salary of \$35,085.00 Step 4; Mrs. Debra Peck – Secretary Level I, Wattsburg Area Middle School, Class A, \$11.61 per hour, 8 hours a day, 260 days per year; Mrs. Nancy Horvath – Secretary Level I, Wattsburg Area Elementary Center, Class B, \$11.61 per hour, 8 hours per day, 235 days per year; Mrs. Lynn Brozewicz – Secretary Level II, Seneca High School, Class B, \$10.77 per hour, 8 hours per day, 205 days per year, and Staci Wright - Instructional Aide, Level II, Wattsburg Area Elementary Center, class C, \$8.82 per hour, 3.60 hours per day, 180 days per year.

Personnel

Additions to the Emergency Teachers’ Substitute List – **Exhibit H** – **Motion:** To approve additions to the Emergency Teachers’ Substitute List as outlined in **Exhibit H**.

Conference Requests – Mr. Robert LaPlaca – Additional Regional Technology Support Group Meetings, I.U. #5 and other locations, dates to be announced, \$20.00 per day (Funds from Technology, Grades K-12 Account); Mr. Chad Porter, Ms. Michelle Pisano, and Ms. Melissa Doolittle – Jefferson Elementary School Visit, Erie, Thursday, January 11, 2007, \$98.00 (Funds from Learning Support, Grades 3-4, Account (Act 48)); Ms. Michelle Pisano – 2007 PA Alternate System of Assessment Training Update, Edinboro, Wednesday, January 17, 2007, \$80.00 (Funds from Learning Support, Grades 3-4 Account) (Act 48), and Mr. Robert LaPlaca and Mrs. Mary Beth Hengelbrok – PETE&C – State Technology Conference, Hershey, Saturday, February 10, 2007 through Tuesday, February 13, 2007, \$1,572.00 (Funds from Technology, Grades K-12 Account) (Act 48).

Resignation – **Motion:** To accept the resignation of Ms. Susan Hoyt, Seneca High School Cafeteria Aide, effective December 8, 2006.

PA Insurance Trust Meetings – **Motion:** To approve Mr. Steve Maksimuk to attend quarterly Board of Director meetings for the Pennsylvania Insurance Trust, Central Susquehanna I.U., Lewisburg, PA, at a cost of \$200.00 per meeting (Funds from Business Administration Travel).

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Hinz, seconded by Mr. Duda. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. Motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – **Motion:** To approve the Policy Committee Meeting Minutes for December 11, 2006.

Policy

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Walko. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted “Yes.” Motion was carried unanimously.

Withdraw from the Table – **Motion:** To withdraw from the table the approval of the course, *Science for the Medical Profession*.

Motion for approval was made by Mr. S. Rose, seconded by Mr. Duda. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted “Yes.” Motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of Course – Exhibit I – **Motion:** To approve the course, *Science for the Medical Profession*, as outlined in **Exhibit I**.

Motion for approval was made by Mr. S. Rose, seconded by Mr. Walko. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. Motion was carried unanimously.

Student Activities Request – **Motion:** To approve Chief Holmes and up to 30 Seneca High School AFJROTC students to travel to McDowell High School, Erie, Saturday, January 13, 2007, for competitions (No Cost to District), **Motion:** To approve chief Holmes and Seneca High School AFJROTC students to travel to East High School, Erie, Friday, January 26, 2007 through Saturday, January 27, 2007, for an Inter-ROTC Competition, \$10.00 each for meals (Funds from ROTC), and **Motion:** To approve Chief Holmes and 50 Seneca High School AFJROTC students to travel to Ambassador Banquet Center, Erie, for leadership, team building, and personal recognition, Saturday, February 3, 2007, \$20.00 each for meals (Funds from ROTC).

Motion for approval was made by Mr. S. Rose, seconded by Mr. Walko. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. The following member voted “No”: Mr. Duda. Motion was carried.

Approval of Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes – **Motion:** To approve the Curriculum Committee Meeting minutes for November 13, 2006.

Motion for approval was made by Mr. S. Rose, seconded by Mr. Duncan. In a recorded roll call vote, all members present voted “Yes.” Motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Porter reported on Wattsburg Area Elementary Center. Mr. Rinke gave a brief report on Seneca High School. Mr. Shultz reported on the Maintenance Department. Mr. LaPlaca gave a brief report on the Technology Department, and Ms. Mary Beth Hengelbrok gave a short report.

Principals’ Special Reports

Mr. Hinz requested a Technology Committee Meeting to be held on Monday, January 15, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. at the District Administration Office.

Technology

Transportation Requests – **Motion:** To approve Seneca High School Concert Band and Chorus to travel to St. Boniface, Wednesday, December 20, 2006, \$113.00 (Funds from Student Activities Account); **Motion;** To approve Seneca High School AFJROTC students to travel to Custaloga Town Scout Reservation, Meadville, Friday, February 9, 2007 through Sunday, February 11, 2007, \$375.00 plus \$15.00 each for meals (Funds from ROTC); **Motion:** To approve Seneca High School Science Olympiad, to travel to Clarion University for a competition, Thursday, March 22, 2007, \$817.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts); **Motion:** To approve Seneca High School band students to travel to General McLane High School for a Jr. District Band Performance, Friday, April 13 through Saturday, April 14, 2007, \$492.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts); **Motion:** To approve Wattsburg Area Middle School Grades 5 and 6 students to travel to Erie Sea Wolves Game, Erie, Thursday, May 3, 2007, \$1,640.00 (Funds from Student Activities Account); **Motion:** To approve Wattsburg Area Middle School Grades 7 and 8 students to travel to Erie Sea Wolves

Transportation

Game, Erie, Thursday, May 17, 2007, \$1,875.00 (Funds from Student Activities Account), and **Motion:** To approve Seneca High School, Grade 12, YES Class to travel to Port Erie Plastics for a tour, Wednesday, January 10, 2006, \$206.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts).

Transportation

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Walko, seconded by Mr. S. Rose.. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. Motion was carried unanimously.

Volunteer Coaches for 2006-2007 – Exhibit J – Motion: To approve additions to the Volunteer Coaches’ List for the 2006-2007 school year as outlined in **Exhibit J**.

Athletic/Extra-Curricular

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Walko, seconded by Mr. S. Rose. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. Motion was carried unanimously.

Appointment of Wattsburg Area School District Representative to Erie County Technical School Joint Operating Committee.

Erie Vo-Tech School

Motion for approval was made by Mr. Duda, seconded by Mr. Duncan. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hinz, Mr. S. Rose, Mr. Rzepka, Mr. Walko, and Mr. E. Rose. Motion was carried unanimously.

As there as no further business to discuss, upon motion made by Mr. Walko, seconded by Mr. Duda, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Adjournment

Cheryl Nye
School Board Secretary

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