

**WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
February 8, 2010**

The meeting of the Regular Work Session was convened on February 8, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Sue Afton, Eric Duda, Kerry Duncan, Bruce McCall, Nancy McNally, John Rzepka, Scott Rose, and Joseph Walko were present. Nancy Sadaly, Tom Rinke, and Steve Maksimuk were also present together with other interested persons. Kenneth Watkins was absent.

Roll Call

Mr. Maksimuk reviewed with the Board the Treasurer's Report for January 2010 and the list of General Fund, and Cafeteria bills. These items to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Business  
Administrator's  
Report

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally to suspend the rules per Policy 9341 to allow voting on action item Student Activity request for Mr. Caspar, in a recorded roll call vote the following members voted "Yes:" Afton, McCall, McNally, Rzepka, and Walko. The following members voted "No:" Duncan, Duda, and Rose. Motion Carried

By-Laws  
Methods of Operation

The Board discussed the Preliminary General Fund Budget for the 2010-2011 school year in the amount of \$20,753,123.00. Also, to direct the Business Administrator to submit the Preliminary Budget (PDE-2028) to PDE and provide notice that the district intends to seek approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education for referendum exceptions allowed under the Act 1. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Preliminary General  
Fund Budget for the  
2010-2011  
School Year

The Board discussed the Per Capita Tax Exemptions. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Per Capita Tax  
Exemptions

A Finance Committee Meeting was established for Thursday, January 14, 2010 at 6:00p.m. at the District Administration Office.

Finance Committee  
Meeting

Mr. Maksimuk discussed the expiration of electric rate caps on January 1, 2011.

Electric Rate Caps

The Board discussed the Wattsburg Little League to use the facilities at WAEC for practice, Monday, March 1, 2010 through Friday, April 30, 2010—depending upon availability. (No Cost to the District). This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Use of Facilities

The Board discussed the following Conference Requests:

Conference Requests

- Mrs. Janice Sayers and Mrs. Lori Dellamedaglia- Cooperating Teacher Training Session, Edinboro, Thursday, February 18, 2010, \$45.00 (Funds from Professional Development).
- Mr. Donald Pearce and Mr. Ebbie Shores- SAS Civics and the Civic Mission of Schools, Clarion, Monday, February 22, 2010, \$401.00 (Funds from Professional Development).
- Mrs. D'Arcy Frontera- Notary Reappointment Seminar, Erie, Wednesday, March 3, 2010, \$87.00 (Funds from Business Administration).
- Mr. Jeff Gifford – NWPA Athletic Turf Conference, Meadville, Tuesday, March 23, 2010, \$91.00 (Funds from Maintenance).
- Mrs. Mary Rea- PA Association of School Nurses and Practitioners Annual Education Conference- Solving the Puzzle for Student Success, Friday, April 9, 2010 through Sunday, April 11, 2010, \$1320.00 (Funds from Nursing).

- Mrs. Chris Chapman, Ms. Sherry Smith, Ms. Melissa Doolittle, Ms. Michelle Pisano, Ms. Pamela Carson, and Ms. Madelyn Simmons- Managing ADHD- Beyond Medication and Behavior Modification, Erie, Friday, April 30, 2010, \$1498.00 (Funds from Special Education, Professional Development, and Substitute Accounts).  
This item to be placed on agenda for February 15, 2010. Conference Requests  
(continued)
  
- Mr. Rzepka requested that a motion to consider an increase in earnings of \$1,022.00 for Major James L. Johnson, III, this item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010. Earnings Adjustment
  
- The Board discussed the adoption of the School Calendar for the 2010-2011 school year. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010. Adoption of the  
2010-2011  
School Year Calendar
  
- The Board discussed the following Act 80 Days for the 2010-2011 school year for parent conferences and staff development, and dismissal at the start of school year off a partial group of kindergarten students: Act 80 Days for the  
2010-2011  
School Year
  - Monday, August 30, 2010 Kindergarten
  - Tuesday, August 31, 2010 Kindergarten
  - Friday, September 24, 2010 Whole Day-All Schools
  - Friday, October 8, 2010 Whole Day- All Schools
  - Monday, October 11, 2010 Whole Day- All Schools
  - Thursday, November 11, 2010 ½ Day - WAEC
  - Friday, November 12, 2010 Whole Day- WAEC
  - Thursday, April 7, 2011 ½ Day- WAEC
  - Friday, April 8, 2011 Whole Day- WAEC
  - Friday, May 27, 2011 Whole Day- All Schools

This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.
  
- The Board discussed the Collins Writing Workshop to be held February 24, 2010 at WASD as Professional Development for teachers at a cost not to exceed \$1,300.00 (Cost split with Girard School District). This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010. Collins Writing  
Workshop at WASD
  
- The Board discussed Mr. Reid and SHS Select Choral Students, Grades 9-12, to travel to Pittsburgh for PMEA All-State Conference Act 48 Workshops/Concert, Wednesday, April 21, 2010 through Saturday, April 24, 2010, \$1,588.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts). This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010. Student Activities  
Request
  
- Motion by Mrs. McNally, seconded by Mr. Rzepka to approve Mr. Caspar and three Select Band Members, Grades 10-12 to travel to Edinboro University, for PMEA District 2 Band, Wednesday, February 10, 2010 through Saturday, February 13, 2010, \$820.00 (Funds from Student Activities and Substitute Accounts). In a recorded roll call vote the following members voted "Yes:" Afton, Duda, Duncan, McCall, McNally, Rose, Rzepka, and Walko. Motion Carried. Student Activities  
Request (Motion)
  
- The Board discussed an Internship with Tri-State Business Institute. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010. Internship Agreement  
with Tri-State
  
- The Board discussed approving the following Transportation Requests: Transportation  
Requests
  - Two WAMS Grade 7 Science Students to travel to Technology Conference, Edinboro, Thursday, February 18, 2010, \$80.00 plus Van (Funds from Science, Grades 5-8, and Substitute Accounts).

- SHS Autistic Support Students to travel to Blasco Library, McDonald's, Wegmans, and Salvation Army, Friday, March 5, 2010, \$108.00 (Funds from I.U. # 5).
- SHS AFJROTC Students to travel to Krispy Kreme, Erie and North Allegheny Intermediate High School, Pittsburgh, Saturday, March 6, 2010 for a Drill Team Competition, \$480.00 (Funds from ROTC).
- SHS Autistic Support Students to travel to YMCA, CiCi's Pizza, Dollar Tree, Wal-Mart, Erie, Friday, March 12, 2010, \$98.00 (Funds from I.U. # 5).
- WAEC Autistic Support Students to travel to CiCi's Pizza, Krispy Kreme, and Wal-Mart, Erie, Thursday, March 18, 2010, \$90.00 (Funds from I.U. # 5).
- SHS Autistic Support Students to travel to Eastway Bowling, Wendy's, Dollar Tree, Wal-Mart, and Giant Eagle, Erie, Friday, March 19, 2010, \$98.00 (Funds from I. U. # 5).
- SHS Autistic Support Students to travel to Wegmans, Wal-Mart, Asbury Woods, and Papa Joe's, Erie, Friday, March 26, 2010, \$118.00 (Funds from I.U. # 5).
- WAEC Autistic Support Students to travel to 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Food Bank, Ponderosa, Erie County Library—Millcreek Mall, Erie, Tuesday, March 30, 2010, \$103.00 (Funds from I.U. # 5).
- Nine SHS FBLA Students, Grades 9-12, to travel to Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, Sunday, April 11, 2010 through Wednesday, April 14, 2010, \$2,532.00 (Funds from Students, FBLA, and Substitute Accounts).
- WAMS Grade 6 Students to travel to Waldameer Park, Erie, Tuesday, June 8, 2010, \$13.00 per student plus \$425.00 for Transportation (Funds from WAMSAG and Students).

Transportation  
Requests  
(continued)

This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Mr. Maksimuk informed the Board that the district opened sealed bids for the purchase of two 72 passenger school buses and one 24 passenger mini bus on February 8, 2010. He also reported that Ms. Schock is currently reviewing the bids to ensure these bids meet district specifications. The Transportation Committee will review the bids on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at the District Administration Office.

Transportation School  
Bus and Mini Bus Bid  
Results

The Board discussed the resignation of Mr. Boman King as Track and Field Intramural Pole Vault Coach, effective February 15, 2010. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Athletic/Extra-  
Curricular  
Resignation

The Board discussed the appointment of Mrs. Kristina Ohrn as Track and Field 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Coach at SHS, at Step 1, at a salary of \$1,858.00 for the 2009-2010 school year. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Athletic/Extra-  
Curricular  
Appointment


The Board discussed the additions to the Volunteer Coaching list for the 2009-2010 school year. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Additions to Volunteer  
Coaching List

The Board discussed declaring WASD Basketball Uniforms as surplus. This item to be placed on the agenda for February 15, 2010.

Declare Items as  
Surplus

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 8:30p.m.

  
Stephen J. Maksimuk  
School Board Secretary