

# WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

The Wattsburg Area School District Board of Education held their Regular Board meeting at the Wattsburg Area Elementary Center on September 17, 2018.

Members of the fourth grade class from the elementary center led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Andy Pushchak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Bill Hallock, Mr. Josh Paris, Mrs. Julie Pikiewicz, Mr. Marty Pushchak, Mrs. Brenda Sandberg, Mr. Aaron Snippet, Mrs. Amanda Thayer-Zacks, and Dr. Andy Pushchak attended. Also in attendance were Mr. Kenneth Berlin, Superintendent; Dr. Leslee Hutchinson, Assistant to the Superintendent; Mrs. Vicki Bendig Business Administrator and Attorney Christine McClure, Solicitor. Mr. Eric Duda was absent.

## **Roll Call**

Motion by Mrs. Sandberg, seconded by Dr. Hallock to approve the agenda and addendum as presented. Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

## **Agenda**

Motion by Mr. Snippet, seconded by Mr. Pushchak to approve the meeting minutes from the August 20, 2018 Regular Board Meeting and the September 10, 2018 Work Session as presented. Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

## **Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Calabrese and members of the fourth grade class shared how much they like the new laptops purchased for the elementary center and how they utilize the new technology. They thanked the board for their investment in technology.

## **School Reports**

Mr. Hudnall introduced WAMS students who are in the school play, "The Outsiders". Each student then shared which character they were portraying and information of that character.

Mr. Podpora introduced Garrett Hodges who is also in the school play and Garrett shared about his character. The Outsiders will be presented in November.

Mr. Berlin thanked the students for sharing the events. Dr. Pushchak reiterated that it is important for the Board to hear from the students of the district and thanked them for sharing information with the Board.

No visitors requested addressing the Board this evening.

## **Guest & Citizen**

Mr. Berlin updated the Board that the District has \$25,000 guaranteed funds for School Safety and Security and will be making application for additional funds. These funds will be used for security measures that will make our schools a safer place for our students.

## **Superintendent's Report**

Motion by Mr. Pushchak, seconded by Mr. Snippert to approve the following reports, payments and invoices as presented:

- Revenue & Expenditure Reports for MONTH  
[General Fund](#): \$5,526,572.90  
[Cafeteria Report](#): \$(12,770.48)
- Checks and Invoices  
[Exhibit A1](#) Checks Already Written: \$9,641.58  
[Exhibit A2](#) Checks Already Written: \$2,457.75  
[Exhibit A3](#) General Fund Bills: \$336,667.65  
[Exhibit B](#) Cafeteria Bills: \$12,954.75  
[Exhibit B1](#) Cafeteria Checks Already Written: \$89.88  
[Exhibit D](#) SHS Activity Fund Report: \$58,709.76

Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Snippert, seconded by Dr. Hallock to ratify the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Wattsburg Area School District and the Wattsburg Education Support Personnel Association Local #2 effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023. In a recorded roll call vote, the following members voted to approve the motion: Mr. Aaron Snippert, Mrs. Amanda Thayer-Zacks, Dr. Bill Hallock, Mr. Josh Paris, Mrs. Julie Piekiewicz, Mr. Marty Pushchak, Mrs. Brenda Sandberg, and Dr. Andy Pushchak. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Snippert, seconded by Dr. Hallock to approve the following:

- The purchase of the Raptor Visitor Security System as outlined in [Exhibit E](#).
- The purchase of the WAMS Scoreboard as outlined in [Exhibit F](#).
- The use of the high school and middle school gymnasiums and the middle school cafeteria dining room on November 10, 2018 from 8:00AM – 3:00PM by Seneca Girls Basketball for the Sophie Derner Memorial Scholarship Tournament at no cost to the requestor.

Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Sandberg, seconded by Mr. Snippert to approve the following:

- The additions to the Kelly Educational Staffing Substitute List as follows:

Isabelle Aleksandrowicz	Kimberly Chase	Stacie Landon
Bradley Beiter	Andrew Gebauer	Diane Phillips
Olivia Berrier	Kathryn Groh	Susan Robinson - RN
Brian Blair - RN	Sherri Herman- RN	Jaclyn Seymour
Jacob Boring	Emily Jurges - RN	Justin Skipper
- Kayla Ballew, Celly Hinkler, Fred Kunselman, Carolyn Post and Darcia Snyder as additions to the Service Personnel Substitute List for the 2018-2019 school year.
- The District Administrative Substitute at rate of \$15.00/hour
- The tuition reimbursements as outlined in [Exhibit G](#).

**Business  
Administrator's  
Report**

**WASD/WESPA  
Collective Bargaining  
Agreement**

**Raptor Security**

**WAMS Scoreboard  
Use of Facilities**

**Kelly Educational  
Substitutes**

**Service Substitutes**

**DAO Sub Rate**

- Jessica Mathis as the District Administration Office Administrative Assistant position effective September 20, 2018 and to approve the Confidential Staff Compensation Plan September 20, 2018 through June 30, 2019.
- The following appointments at the hourly rate according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement:
  - Valerie Dolph as Cafeteria Aide, Class C, 3.25 hours/day, 180 days/year effective September 18, 2018.
  - Alison Butler as WAMS Instructional Aide, Class C, 3 hours/day, 180 days/year effective September 18, 2018.
  - Carrie Burlingham as Cafeteria Aide, Class C, 3.25 hours/day, 180 days/year effective September 18, 2018 with probationary period waived.
- The following conference requests:
  - WASD teachers to attend various Regional In-Service training sessions on October 8, 2018 with permission from their building principal with a total cost not to exceed \$300/building. Funds from professional development.
  - Erin Fonzo and Heather Hedderman to attend Access PA ILL Fall Training on September 24, 2018 in Edinboro, PA at an estimated cost of \$160. Funds from substitute account.
  - Cheryl Krider to attend follow up – AP Computer Science Principles on September 25th, November 20, 2018, January 7th and March 6, 2019 in Pittsburgh, PA. Estimated cost: \$934.76. Funds from Professional Development.
  - Rhonda Henry, Branden Williams and Chris Paris to attend Math PSSA and Keystone: Item Writing, Handscoring and Depth of Knowledge on November 8, 2018 in Edinboro, PA. Estimated cost: \$273.59. Funds from Professional Development and substitute accounts.
  - Tim Malinowski to attend Penn State Counselor Workshop on September 27, 2018 in Erie, PA at no cost to the district.
  - Paul Semrau, Tim Schweitzer and Todd Talbot to attend Vernier Professional Development Workshop on October 1, 2018 in Buffalo, NY. Estimated cost: \$906.10. Funds from Professional Development.
  - Eric Schultz to attend the 2018 PASBO Facilities, Transportation and Safety Conference on October 25-26, 2018 in Grantville, PA. Estimated cost: \$484.42 Funds from Maintenance.
  - Eric Schultz to attend Daiken Innovation Road Show on September 21, 2018 in Sewickley, PA at no cost to the district.
  - Jason Kerr to attend Commercial and Public Applicator Pesticide Short Course on October 22-25, 2018 in Erie, PA. Estimated cost: \$150.00. Funds from Maintenance.
  - Leslee Hutchinson to attend PA Early Learning Council meetings October 10-12, 2018, February 13-15, 2019 and June 12-14, 2019 in Harrisburg, PA. Estimated cost: \$900. Funds from Superintendent Conferences.

**Tuition  
Reimbursement  
District Administrative  
Assistant**

**Personnel  
Appointments**

**Conference Requests**

- Mary Rea to attend the 2018 Professional Immunization Seminar October 26, 2018 in Erie PA. Estimated cost: \$152.54. Funds from Professional Development.
  - Ken Berlin to attend the PASA/PSBA School Leadership Conference, October 16-18, 2018 in Hershey, PA. Estimated cost: \$1,076.47. Funds from Superintendent Conferences.
  - Ken Berlin to attend the School Safety and Security Seminar November 7-9, 2018 in Hershey, PA. Estimated cost: \$774.85. Funds from Superintendent Conferences.
  - Service substitutes' rates for classifications Educational Support Aide and Secretaries to be 80% of the position rates as outlined in Appendix A of the WASD/WESPA Local 2 Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement.
- Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

**Service Substitute Rates for Educational Aide and Secretaries**

Motion by Dr. Hallock, seconded by Mr. Snippet to approve the following:

- Lucas Heintzen from Germany to attend Seneca High School for the 2018-2019 school year and to reside with Sabrina Smith, Erie with meals and activity fees waived.
- The affiliation agreement between Grand Canyon University and Wattsburg Area School District as outlined in [Exhibit H](#).
- The agreement for professional development through Discovery Education for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade science teachers as outlined in [attachment 1](#).

**Foreign Exchange Student**

**GCU Affiliation Agreement**

**Discovery Agreement**

Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

Motion by Dr. Hallock, seconded by Mr. Snippet to approve the transportation requests and ratification of field trips since last meeting:

**Transportation Requests**

Group Requesting:	Date:	Destination:	Estimated Cost:	Funds By:
AFJROTC	Thursday, October 11, 2018	General Electric	\$270.00	AFJROTC
Grade 4	Thursday, November 15, 2018	Warner Theater	\$460.00	PTO
Select Choral	February 7-9, 2019	St. Mary's HS	\$3,015.00	Student Activities
Select Choral	March 21-23, 2019	Clarion HS	\$2,255.00	Student Activities
Select Choral	April 3-6, 2019	Pittsburgh, PA	\$1,620.00	Student Activities
Grade 9	Tuesday, October 2, 2018	Erie Co. Tech	\$390.00	Student Activities
Grade 1	Tuesday, October 2, 2018	Tom Ridge Cntr. Stull Center	\$723.00	PTO
Grade 3	Friday, October 19, 2018	Erie Maritime Museum	\$520.00	Grant or PTO
Grade 8	Friday, October 26, 2018	Erie Maritime Museum Wendy's	\$795.00	WAMS Fundraiser Sub Account

Social Studies Law & Gov.	Thursday, October 11, 2018	Theil College	\$455.00	Sub Student Activities
AFJROTC	Wednesday, September 19, 2018	Ambassador Hotel	\$115.00	AFJROTC
9 <sup>th</sup> English Classes	Friday, October 12, 2018	Erie Maritime Museum	\$400.00	Sub Student Activities

Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Thayer-Zacks, seconded by Mrs. Sandberg to approve the following:

- The following as additions to the WASD Volunteer List:
 

Cassandra Angelotti	Allison Evanoff	Hallie Runser
Stephanie Battista	Leah Gottschling	Darcia Snyder
Kedron Brocius	Roberta Gottschling	Cynthia Thompson
Rebecca Brumagin	Rebecka Hartman	Erin VanDyke
Christine Chapman	Marcia Kowalczyk	
Katrina Drake	Amber McMillan	
- The following resignations:
  - Shawn Miller, 2nd assistant wrestling coach effective August 27, 2018.
  - Randi Cage, 2<sup>nd</sup> assistant track and field effective August 30, 2018.
  - Ryan Murphy 2<sup>nd</sup> assistant (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade) track and field coach effective September 10, 2018.
- The following athletic appointments for the 2018-2019 school year:
  - Randi Cage as track and field head coach, step 6.
  - Tim Malinowski as weightlifting coach.
  - Ryan Murphy as 2<sup>nd</sup> assistant track and field coach, step 2.
- The resignation of Stacy Cassano as Class of 2019 advisor effective August 23, 2018.
- The following extra-curricular appointments for the 2018-2019 school year:
  - Michelle Leone as Class of 2019 Advisor, Step 6.
  - Randi Cage as WAMS Detention Supervisor.
  - Savannah Anderton as Science Olympiad Advisor, Step 1.
  - Sarah McCall as Science Olympiad Advisor, Step 1.
  - Andrew Valentine as Stage Director, Step 1.
- The addition of Valerie Dolph, William Galloway and Ray Oshop to the Game Help List

**Volunteer List**

**Athletic Resignations**

**Athletic Appointments**

**Extra-Curricular Resignation  
 Extra-Curricular Appointments**

**Game Help**

Motion approved by a voice vote with no opposition. Motion carried.

There is no report from the Erie County Technical School nor the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit this evening.

**ECTS  
 NW Tri-County Intermediate  
 Adjournment**

There being no further business, upon motion by Dr. Hallock, seconded by Mrs. Sandberg, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19PM.

Signature on File  
 Vicki Bendig  
 School Board Secretary