

**WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Work Session**

March 12, 2018

The meeting of the Board Work Session convened on March 12, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Wattsburg Area Elementary School.

Mr. Eric Duda, Dr. Bill Hallock, Mr. Josh Paris, Mrs. Julie Pikiewicz, Mr. Marty Pushchak, Mrs. Brenda Sandberg, Mr. Aaron Snippert, Mrs. Amanda Thayer-Zacks, and Dr. Andy Pushchak attended. Also in attendance were Mr. Ken Berlin, Superintendent; Dr. Leslee Hutchinson, Assistant to the Superintendent; and Mrs. Vicki Bendig, Business Administrator.

Roll Call

Dr. Pushchak announced that a curriculum meeting was held prior to this evening's work session.

Guest & Citizens

No visitors requested addressing the Board.

Mrs. Bendig gave the Treasurer's Report with General Fund balance of: \$9,494,031.86 and a review the of Checks Already Written amounting \$46,423.71. A full report will be given at the March 19, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.

Treasurer's
Report

The Board discussed the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit General Operating Budget for the 2018-2019 school year in the amount of \$59,691,274. And to further approve Wattsburg Area School District's contribution to the School Improvement Services (Fund 020) budgets of the Intermediate Unit for the 2018-2019 fiscal year in the amount of \$31,608.52. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Northwest Tri-
County IU 5
Budget

The Board discussed the 2018-2019 General Fund Operating Budget for the Erie County Area Vocational-Technical School in Secondary Programs and Regional Career and Technical Center Adult programs as presented for adoption. The 2018-2019 General Fund Budget includes total expenditures of \$7,062,138 with total district contributions of \$4,092,605. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Erie County
Technical School
Budget

The Board discussed the additions to the Kelly Educational Staffing Substitute List. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Kelly Educational
Staffing

The Board discussed the following leave requests:

Leave Requests

- Intermittent Family Medical Leave for Amy Heyer effective February 21, 2018.
- Intermittent Family Medical Leave for Carol Cook effective March 7, 2018.
- Family Medical Leave for Judy Metzler effective March 20, 2018.
- Childbirth Leave of Absence for Jessica Sambuchino anticipated effective April 23, 2018 through June 6, 2018 according to the WASD/WEA Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement.

These items to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

The Board discussed the appointments¹ of Melissa Novatnack as a long-term WAMS substitute teacher anticipated effective March 7, 2018 through June 8, 2018 at Masters, Step 1 \$42,732 according to the WASD/WEA Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement and Scott Stratton as a long-term WAEC substitute teacher anticipated effective April 4, 2018 through June 8, 2018 at Bachelor's, Step 1, \$41,632 according to the WASD/WEA Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Personnel
Appointments

The Board discussed district conference requests. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Conference
Requests

The Board discussed tuition reimbursement requests. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Tuition
Reimbursement

The Board discussed the resignations of Meckenzie Jones effective March 21, 2018 and Walter Staab for the purpose of retirement effective July 1, 2018. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Resignations

The Board discussed the adoption of Policy 150 – Title 1 – Comparability of Services, the second reading of the following policies:

Policies

- 103 – Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
- 103.1 – Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities
- 104 – Nondiscrimination in Employment and Contract Practices
- 302 – Employment of Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent
- 311 – Suspensions/Furloughs
- 808 – Food Services
- 819 - Suicide Awareness

And the deletion of the following policies and the references to them in affected Policies (203.1, 253, 249, 252, 314.1, 815, and 824) as outlined:

- 248 – Unlawful Harassment
- 310 – Abolishing a Position
- 348 – Unlawful Harassment

These items to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Mr. Duda requested a Transportation Committee Meeting on March 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the District Administration Office.

Transportation
Committee

The Board discussed the transportation requests. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Transportation
Requests

The Board discussed the addition of Matthew Fuller, Michelle Henderson, and Cody Martinez to the WASD Volunteer List. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

District
Volunteers

The Board discussed Bretton Smith as Baseball 1st Assistant Coach for the 2017-2018 school year at Step 2, \$2,427 as per the WASD/WEA Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. This item to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Athletic
Appointments

The Board discussed the SHS Prom on May 11, 2018 at Erie Maennerchor Club, Erie, PA from 7:00 – 10:00 PM. and the Senior Banquet on May 24, 2018 at Beechwood Golf Club, Fairview, PA from 6:00 – 9:00 PM. These items to be placed on the March 19, 2018 agenda.

Prom 2018
Senior Banquet

Mr. Duda shared that the ECTS JOC and teachers have come to an agreement. Also that they have had interviews with 5 candidates for the Director position at Erie County Vocational-Technical School.

Erie County
Vocational-
Technical School

There being no further business, upon motion by Dr. Hallock, seconded by Mr. Snippert, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Adjournment

Signature on File
Vicki Bendig
Board Secretary

ⁱ Pro-rated for the 2017-2018 school year.