

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

February 8, 2021

The meeting of the Board Work Session convened on February 8, 2021 at 7:00 PM via Zoom Virtual Meeting Platform.

Mr. Jeremy Bloeser, Mrs. Amanda Farrell, Mrs. Nicole Lee, Mr. Shawn Matson, Mr. Josh Paris, Mrs. Julie Pikiewicz, Mrs. Tara Pound, Mr. Marty Pushchak and Dr. Andy Pushchak attended. Mr. Kenneth Berlin, Superintendent; Mrs. Rebecca Kelley, Assistant to the Superintendent; Mrs. Vicki Bendig Business Administrator also attended.

Roll Call

Danny Carter addressed the Board concerning the district donating old equipment not being used to the little league team. He also questioned the number of student athletes.

Guest and  
Citizens  
Comments

Mr. Berlin outlined the governor's budget highlights and how it would affect public schools. He shared that this is a starting point and many cuts and changes will probably occur before the final budget is approved.

Superintendent's  
Report

He also updated the Board on the Covid statistics for the district. He shared a concern of a shortage of substitute teachers and the possibility of short-term school closures due to the lack of substitutes available.

Mrs. Bendig gave the Treasurer's Report for the General Fund: \$10,379,891.97, Capital Projects: \$30,303.13, and Cafeteria: \$196,142.08.

Treasurer's  
Report

Also, the Checks Already Written \$43,513.71 and Cafeteria Checks Already Written \$20.

A full report will be given at the February 15, 2021 meeting.

The Board discussed the Act 84 Protocol for Board Member email correspondence. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Act 84 Protocol

The Board discussed Monthly budgetary transfer from the budget vs. actual report and the transfer from the Outdoor Stadium Complex Renovation Contingency to Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$12,380. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Budgetary  
Transfers

The Board discussed the Local Audit Report for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 as prepared by Buffamante, Whipple, Buttafaro, P.C. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda. Mr. Pushchak shared that Buffamante, Whipple and Buttafaro, P.C. issued an unqualified opinion for the district (a clean audit) this year. This item to be placed on February 15, 2021 agenda.

Local Audit  
Report

The Board discussed the 2021-2022 General Fund Operating Budget for the Erie County Technical School. The 2021-2022 General Fund Budget includes total expenditures of \$6,850,288 with total district contributions of \$4,436,779 and the

ECTS 2021-2022  
Budget

Wattsburg Area School District contribution of \$352,644. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

The Board discussed the Charter Reform Resolution. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Charter Reform  
Resolution

The Board discussed the purchase of spectator stands for the baseball/softball fields at a cost of \$12,380 funded out of the Athletic Complex Contingency fund. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Spectators Stands

The Board discussed the Kelly Educational Staffing substitute additions. This item to be February 15, 2021 agenda.

Kelly Educational  
Staffing  
Substitutes

The Board discussed the appointment of Rebecca Haener as a long-term substitute at the elementary center anticipated April 14, 2021 through June 14, 2021 at Bachelors, Step 1. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Personnel  
Appointments

The Board discussed an Intermittent Family Medical Leave of Absence for Madelyn Simmons effective January 15, 2021. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Leave Request

The Board discussed the second reading of policies:

- Policy 103 Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Students
- Policy 203 Immunizations and Communicable Diseases
- Policy 209 Health Examinations/Screenings
- Policy 218.3 Discipline of Student Convicted/Adjudicated of Sexual Assault
- Policy 317.1 Educator Misconduct
- Policy 705 Facilities and Workplace Safety
- Policy 803 School Calendar
- Policy 824 Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries
- Policy 904 Public Attendance at School Events
- Policy 907 School Visitors

Policy Second  
Reading

This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

The Board discussed the academic services of LearnWell for a hospitalized SHS student. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

LearnWell  
Agreement

The Board discussed Current Affairs and Group Interaction and Leadership as new courses at Seneca High School to begin the 2021-2022 school year as outlined. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

New Courses  
SHS

The Board discussed the realignment of the History courses at Seneca High School for the 2021-2022 school year. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

History  
Realignment  
SHS

The Board discussed My View as the core resource program for language and vocabulary for K-3 at the elementary center. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

My View

The Board discussed the resignation of Brett Smith as First Assistant Baseball Coach effective January 27, 2021. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Athletic  
Resignation

The Board discussed the resignation of Tim Malinowski as SAP Case Manager effective February 3, 2021. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Extra-Curricular  
Resignation

The Board discussed the athletic appointments of Don Einhouse as Track and Field 2nd Assistant Sprints and Hurdles Coach (7th& 8th Grade) for the 2020-2021 school year at Step 2+ and Jay Pikiewicz as 7th & 8th Grade Boys' Soccer for the 2020-2021 school year at Step 2+. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Athletic  
Appointments

Mr. Matson asked if we could discuss Coach Evaluations at the March Work Session. Perhaps a presentation of where we are in the process of evaluations. This was brought up in the spring but has not been discussed since.

The Board discussed declaring the WAMS Combi Oven Model CCE10FD Serial No. DR1000335 as surplus. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

Surplus Item

The Board discussed the resolution for Easement Agreement between ECTS and STSA to facilitate the relocation of the STSA's sanitary lines. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

ECTS Easement  
Agreement

The Board discussed the ECTS JOC Cost Resolution. Mr. Berlin shared that the superintendents discussed the cost resolution and agree that the project scope and cost can be reduced with all the districts seeing see a reduction in the cost. Although, this will mean the drawings will have to be revised. Most districts have already begun to secure their funding sources for the project. This item to be placed on the February 15, 2021 agenda.

ECTS JOC Cost  
Resolution

During Board Correspondence and Dialogue, Mrs. Farrell asked if there are other items in the stadium project that should be updated. Mr. Berlin explained that monies in the contingency budget have been set aside to purchase stadium needs.

Board  
Correspondence  
and Dialogue

There being no further business, upon motion by Mrs. Farrell, seconded by Mrs. Lee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Adjournment

Signature on File  
Vicki Bendig  
Board Secretary