

**WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Work Session
November 14, 2022**

The meeting of the Board Work Session convened on November 14, 2022 at 7:00 PM at the Wattsburg Area Elementary School.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mrs. Britni Burlingham, Mrs. Amanda Farrell, Mrs. Lea Hetherington, Mrs. Nicole Lee, Mr. Shawn Matson, Mrs. Tara Pound, Dr. Andy Pushchak, and Mr. Jeremy Bloeser, attended. Dr. Kenneth Berlin, Superintendent; Mrs. Rebecca Kelley, Assistant to the Superintendent and Mrs. Vicki Bendig Business Administrator also attended. Mr. Steve Morvay was absent.

Roll Call

No visitors requested addressing the board.

Guest and Citizen

Dr. Berlin will have a report at the November 21, 2022 meeting.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Bendig gave the Treasurer's Report of the General Fund: \$14,443,274.28, Capital Projects: \$673,887.99 and Cafeteria: \$554,487.53 and a review the of Checks Already Written Exhibit A1 Checks Already Written: \$268,805.56, Exhibit B1 Cafeteria Checks Already Written: \$8,138.94 and Exhibit D - SHS Activity Fund Report: \$71,376.17. A full report will be given at the November 21, 2022 meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The Board discussed the following transfers:

Transfers

- Monthly budgetary transfer from the budget vs. actual report as outlined.
- \$20,398.46 from the committed fund for campus paving to the committed fund for Above Ground Fuel Tanks
- \$6,750 from unassigned to capital projects for WAMS and WAEC Gym Floor refinishing.
- \$203,909.64 from the committed fund to the capital projects fund for the Summer 2022 paving project.
- \$48,663 from the committed fund to the capital projects fund for the SHS Auditorium upgrades.
- \$18,648.68 from the committed fund to the capital projects fund for SHS carpet replacements.
- \$25,993.75 from the committed fund to the capital projects fund for the balance of the above ground fuel tank installation.

This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

The Board discussed the Budgetary Amendment. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Budgetary Amendment

The Board discussed the following facility use requests:

Facility Use Requests

- The high school commons, boys' locker room and gymnasium on Sunday, December 11th from 7:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. for a wrestling tournament at an estimated cost of \$278.34.
- Miscellaneous rooms in WAMS for PMEA District Band rehearsals on Saturday, February 11, 2022 from 4:00 – 6:00 P.M. at no cost to requestor.

This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

The Board discussed the installation of a door alarm system at all perimeter doors on campus at a cost of \$106,569.00 Funds from the 2022 PA Physical Safety and Security Grant. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Camus Wide Door
Alarm Installation

The Board discussed the substitute additions for ESS and Service Personnel. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Substitute List
Additions

The Board discussed the resignations of Danielle Aldrich, custodian effective November 1, 2022 and Margaret Curtis, cafeteria aide effective November 9, 2022. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Personnel
Resignations

The Board discussed the following appointments:

- Andrew Callahan as Educational Support Aide, Level I, Class B, 7 hours/day, 185 days/year retro to October 27, 2022.
- Lisa Pier as Special Education Aide, Level I, Class B, 7 hours/day, 180 days/year effective November 16, 2022.
- _____ as Temporary Custodian, Class A, 8 hours/day, 260 days/year effective _____.

Personnel
Appointments

This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

The Board discussed the following leave requests:

- Sabbatical Leave of Absence for Betsy Walker anticipated November 3, 2022 through March 29, 2023.
- Intermittent Leave utilizing Family Medical Leave of Absence and paid time off for Matthew Calabrese anticipated beginning November 17, 2022.

Leave Requests

This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

The Board discussed the following conference requests:

- Sarah McCall and Pam Burdick to attend Science Immersion Experience on November 3, 2022 in Edinboro, PA at an estimated cost of \$240. Funds from substitute account.
- Becca Kelley to attend ISP Full Conference January 29 – February 1, 2023 in Pittsburgh, PA at an estimated cost of \$1,137.03. Funds from Non-Instructional Certificated Professional Development.
- Vicki Bendig and Susan Huff to attend PASBO Annual Conference March 14-17, 2023 in Pocono Manor, PA at an estimated cost of \$1,928.00. Funds from Non-Instructional Non-Certificated Professional Development.
- Megan Shindledecker to attend Auschwitz Live Virtual Tour on December 17, 2022 at an estimated cost of \$43.00. Funds from Instructional Certified Professional Development.

Conference
Requests

This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

The Board discussed the approval of the first reading of Policy 214 Grade Point Average and Course Weighting. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

First Reading
Policy

The Board discussed academic services of LearnWell for the following:

- SHS student anticipated October 17 through October 20, 2022.
- SHS student anticipated October 27, 2022 through January 5, 2023.
- WAMS student anticipated November 1, 2022 through January 10, 2023.

This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

LearnWell
Academic Services

The Board discussed the 2023-2024 school calendar and August 29-30, 2023 as Act 80 days for the dismissal at the start of the school year for a partial group of Kindergarten students as outlined. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

School Calendar
2023-2024

The School District the Agreement between Penn State Behrend and WAMS for a Mentoring Program. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Mentoring
Agreement

The Board discussed the Affiliation Agreement between Gannon University and WASD for student clinical placement and instruction in Speech-Language Pathology. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Affiliation
Agreement

The Board discussed the transportation requests and ratification of field trips since last meeting. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Transportation
Requests

The Board discussed Julie Fatica, Julia Lemock, Cryste Lorraine, David McGuire, Erin Patton, Tanya Pfeiffer and Patricia Yost as additions to the WASD Volunteer List. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

WASD Volunteer
List

The Board discussed the opening of the Track and Field 2nd Assistant (7th & 8th Grade). This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Opening of
Position

The Board discussed the following athletic appointments for the 2022-203 season:

- Alyssa Flood as 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball Coach at step 1.
- Nate Myers as 2nd Assistant Track and Field Coach at step 2+.

This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Athletic
Appointments

The Board discussed SHS stage lighting items as surplus: 47 - DI MX D2 DUAL 2.4KW Dimmer Modules and 1 - EDI MX Multi-Link Intelligent Control Module. This item to be placed on the November 21, 2022 agenda.

Surplus Items

Dr. Pushchak shared that the will have a brief report on the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit at the November 21, 2022 meeting.

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County IU5

There being no further business, upon motion by Mrs. Farrell, , seconded by Mrs. Pound the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Adjournment

Signature on File
Vicki Bendig
Board Secretary