WILSON BOROUGH, PA
October 20, 2014

REGULAR MEETING:

The regular meeting of the Wilson Area School District Board of Directors was held in the William P. Tollinger Administration Building, 2040 Washington Blvd., Easton, PA 18042 on the above date.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. David Seiple, President, with the following members present: Mrs. Linda Baskwell, Mrs. Judith Herbstreith, Ms. Janis Krieger, Mr. Charles Marsteller, Mrs. Cindy Nester, Mr. Anthony Verenna, Mr. William Wallace, Mr. Scott Wamsley, Mr. David Seiple. Absent: None. Also present: Mr. Doug Wagner, Superintendent; Ms. Jessica Moyer, Solicitor; Ms. Patricia Denicolia, Business Manager/Secretary; Mr. Dave Wright, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Ms. Laura Samson, Supervisor of Special Education; Mr. John Martuscelli, High School Principal; Mr. Anthony Tarsi, Intermediate School Principal; Ms. Katie Gould, Intermediate School Assistant Principal; Mr. Michael Chromey, Avona Elementary Principal; Mr. Kevin Steidle, Williams Township Elementary Principal; Mrs. Amy Austin, Wilson Borough Elementary Principal; Mr. Ken Case, Building & Grounds Coordinator; Mr. Garry Musselman, Technology Coordinator; Mr. Brian Meckley, Wilson Area Education Association.

Mr. Wagner reviewed the administration’s proposed draft policy Disposal of Surplus Property & Obsolete Equipment.

Ms. Samson reviewed proposed policy revisions as follows:
  • Policy #5125.1 Exceptional Students’ Records
  • Policy #5146 Student Use of Medication

There were no communications to be read.

Mr. Wagner presented his Superintendent’s Report as attached; including a handout, as attached; detailing information that was presented at a press conference held by IU 20 & IU21 Superintendents regarding Charter/Cyber Charter School Funding.

Mrs. Herbstreith presented a report on Legislative issues. Ms. Krieger presented a report on the Community College. There was no report presented for the Career Institute of Technology. Mrs. Nester presented a report for the Intermediate Unit, noting the board had recently approved Collective Bargaining Agreements with the CEA and ESPA; she also provided a copy of the Intermediate Unit’s newsletter “The Twenty”, as attached. Mr. Meckley presented a report for the Wilson Area Education Association; recognizing Ms. Ulshafer’s publication of “A Very Special Gift.” There was no report presented on Curriculum and Federal Grants, including Title II Program. There was no report presented for the Buildings and Grounds Committee. There was no report presented for Technology. There was no report presented for the Athletic Committee. There was no report given by the Excellence in Education Committee. Mrs. Herbstreith
presented a report for the Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation. Mr. Wallace presented a report for the LINCS Family Center. Alec Buttnor, Student Representative presented a report on student/high school items and events.

During Public to be Heard; a parent, Ms. Jennifer Carpenter of Glendon, PA; presented a letter to the Board requesting permission for her daughter, who attends the Arts Academy, permission to participate in District Sports. Mr. Seiple announced the request would be an addition to the evening’s agenda under Miscellaneous.

The Board reviewed the agenda.

During review of agenda, Mr. Rosie Amato, Ms. Lisa Keith, Ms. Breanne Pfeffer, Ms. Stacey Walter, and Ms. Heather Flank spoke on item #1 under Miscellaneous: 7th/8th Grade Cheerleading Program; providing proposed guidelines, as attached, for Junior High Cheerleading, as well as sample practice/game schedules, fundraising to meet financial needs and use of past High School cheer uniforms to outfit the proposed team. Mr. Rosie Amato indicated that as a Junior High Program, it would be accessible by 7th, 8th and 9th grade students.

Moved by Nester, seconded by Wallace, and carried by voice vote to approve the following:

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2014
- Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of September 29, 2014.
- Treasurer’s Report, as attached, be accepted and filed for audit
- September 2014 Investment Schedule, as listed and attached; be accepted and filed for audit
- Regular bills in the amount of $1,217,738.09
- Retiree bills in the amount of $7,091.01
- Capital Reserve bills in the amount of $111,401.32

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Verenna, seconded by Wamsley, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the Spring Sports Bids, as listed and attached.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Herbstreith and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the following:

Personnel

1. Resignation

2. Appointments
b. Mentor Teachers
   o Sue Johnson for Rebecca Meidt
   o Jason Kruk for Kristen Arnold
      a. Advisor – stipend $847.00 – effective the 2014-2015 school year

3. Change of Status
      Long Term Substitute TO Temporary Professional Employee
      (Wilson Area Intermediate School – Grade 6) – Masters Step 1:
      $46,898 – effective October 21, 2014

4. Substitute
   a. Laurie Poppa – Elementary K-6; English 7-12.

5. FMLA Request
   a. Employee #PU1350 – effective March 5, 2015; with an anticipated return date of May 4, 2015

   b. Employee #KO3950 – effective February 9, 2015, with an anticipated return date of August, 2015; and the possibility of an extension.

Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

   Moved by Verenna, seconded by Wallace, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the Establishment of a 7th/8th Grade Junior High Cheerleading Program; with volunteer coaching.
   Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

   Moved by Nester, seconded by Krieger, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the High School Math Club’s trip to Bloomsburg, PA; District transportation to be provided.
   Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

   Moved by Baskwell, seconded by Herbstreith, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the Letter of Agreement, as attached, with Recovery Revolution, Inc. to provide Drug and Alcohol Counseling Services.
   Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

   Moved by Krieger, seconded by Verenna, and carried by voice vote that the Board give permission to Arts Academy charter school student, Trinity Carpenter, to participate in district sports. Cost of sport, depending on sport choice, to be billed to Arts Academy.
   Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.
Moved by Verenna, seconded by Nester, and carried by voice vote that the Board enter Executive Session for Student Issues at 8:10 pm.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Verenna, seconded by Wamsley, and carried by voice vote that the Board exit Executive Session at 8:22.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

Moved by Wamsley, seconded by Wallace, and carried by voice vote that the Board approve the meeting be adjourned at 8:23 p.m.
Result of vote: Aye 9; Nay 0; Absent 0.

PATRICIA J. DENICOLA
Secretary