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Wyoming Area School District  
Combined Work Session/Regular Meeting  
Wyoming Area Board of Education  
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643  
Tuesday, November 15, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

The combined work session/regular meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education was held this evening at the Wyoming Area Secondary Center auditorium, 20 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643, with approximately seven people in attendance. A non-public executive session preceded the meeting. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Gober-Mangan, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Roll Call:

Mrs. Gober-Mangan, President
Mrs. Deanna Farrell, Vice President
Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary
Mrs. Kimberly A. Yochem, Treasurer
Mr. Carmen Bolin
Dr. Estelle Campenni
Mr. Gerald A. Stofko
Mrs. Toni Valenti
Mr. Carl Yorina

Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Thomas Melone, Business Consultant, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, School Solicitor, Vito Quaglia, Secondary Center Principal, Cathy Ranieli, Assistant Principal of Secondary Center, David Pacchioni, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Jon Pollard, Principal of Kindergarten Center and Primary Center, Joseph Long, Principal of Intermediate Center, Vanessa Nee, Special Education Director, Christine Rosenkrans, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Melissa Collevecchio, Food Service Director, Camilla Granteed, School Psychologist, Frank Pugliese, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, Jason Jones, Network Engineer, Emily Uritz and Genevieve Federici, Student Representatives.

#### Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit's regular meeting minutes of September 28, 2016.
2. Michele Wrobleski, President of the Wyoming Area Wrestling Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center gym, concession stand and gym hallway for wrestling meets.
3. Shea Riley, Marching Band Director, requesting permission to use the stadium and all athletic fields for a Drum Corps Show.
4. Nancy Alberigi and Nick Guska, Senior Parents, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria/kitchen for a bingo fundraiser.
5. Cathy White, President of the Wyoming Area Swim Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors".
6. Dawn Fasciana, Level I Secretary, submitting her letter of resignation.
7. Carol Reilly, Part-time Cleaner, submitting her letter of retirement.
8. Carrie Jackson, Special Education Aide, submitting her letter of resignation.

9. Joanne Lavelle, Kindergarten Aide, requesting permission to take a consecutive twelve week unpaid leave.
10. Victoria Webb, Senior, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center stadium for Powder Puff Football and Carmen Latona, Senior Class Advisor, requesting to use the cafeteria for an after party.

#### Summary of Applications Received

Library Aide - 6

#### Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Gober-Mangan asked for approval of meeting minutes of October 25, 2016. All board members voted aye.

#### Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

1. Winter sports will start on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Winter sports include boys and girls basketball, swimming, winter track and wrestling.
2. Fourth grade students at the Intermediate Center were treated to a guest speaker, Mae Thomas, a child of a Titanic survivor. Thomas shared her mother and infant brother's survival story aboard the Titanic along with many other tales. Her uncle did not survive.  
  
Bill Lewis of the Luzerne County Historical Society gave a very interesting Power Point presentation.
3. Student Council at the Intermediate Center sponsored a coin drive and raised over \$1500 for the fellow student who was a fire victim this past month.
4. The Intermediate Center Student Council sponsored a spirit walk to the football stadium the night of the Dallas vs WA Game. Over 300 parents and students participated including the band, cheerleaders, spirit squad and student council from the secondary center.
5. Student Council at the Intermediate Center will be sponsoring a Holiday canned food drive. The drive will begin November 16<sup>th</sup> and continue to December 16<sup>th</sup>. All food will be donated to the local food pantries.
6. Student Council at the Intermediate Center has been requested to help ring the bell for the Salvation Army. They will be volunteering at a location and date TBA.
7. The PTO treated the Kindergarten students to a fieldtrip to Hillside Farms. They learned about greenhouses, peafowls, sheep and alpacas, the calf nursery, Otis the pig. When everyone returned the students were able to choose a pumpkin and take it home with them.

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8. The kindergarten students were treated to their first ever pep rally. Football players, cheerleaders, band members, and student council students came over to help cheer on our football team to beat Pittston Area.





9. Kindergarten also got to celebrate **Halloween**. They paraded down to the Exeter gazebo where members from the Exeter Lions gave them some Halloween treat bags.



10. The Kindergarten students got to participate in **Election Day**. They learned all about voting and who is allowed to vote and some of the things you can vote on. Kindergarten decided they would rather vote on their favorite kind of ice cream this year. They got to come up to the Promethean boards in their rooms and pick either chocolate or vanilla ice cream. The final results were: Chocolate 71- Vanilla 59.





11. Our younger students were asked to create some patriotic posters or pictures to honor our veterans and celebrate **Veteran's Day**. The students also learned about what a veteran is and why and how we can honor them.



12. The students in First, Second and Third grades at the Primary Center discussed several autumn topics in September and October. As a culminating activity, the students participated in an Apple Celebration on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. The local business, Brace’s Orchard, set up a farmer’s market at the school where students had the opportunity to see and talk to employees, as well purchase apples and various apple products.

Brace’s Orchard made a \$150 donation to the school that will be used to support the School Wide Positive Behavior Program at the Primary Center.

Student Representatives’ Report

Genevieve Federici read the report.

The football team had a great season and we ended with (9-3) standing and we beat our rivals Pittston Area. The Veteran’s Day program happened and it was great. Drama Club just performed their fall show of “Midsummer’s Jersey”, it was a success. The Juniors and Seniors have a fundraiser going on for Gertrude Hawk and it’s going very well. Our first Powder Puff game is going on this Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> and all of the proceeds will benefit our Junior and Senior Prom.

Treasurer’s Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Treasurer’s Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	11,253,858.83
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,200.20
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	25,796.37
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	128,216.75
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	18,109.61
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	Earned Income Tax Revenue	311,242.59

The Treasurer’s Report will be kept on file for audit.

Finance Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Finance Report.

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## 1. Received the following checks:

<u>Berkheimer</u>	
Earned Income Tax	99,580.14
Local Service Tax	524.03
Per Capita Tax	3,702.20
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>6,059.63</u>
Total:	109,866.00

2016 Real Estate Taxes

Paul Konopka – Wyoming Borough	622,814.82
Ann Marie Farley – Exeter Twp., Wyoming County	17,135.16
Tom Polacheck – Exeter Borough	94,323.09
George Miller- West Pittston Borough	95,080.61
Wayman Smith – Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	73,427.79
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough	<u>51,113.13</u>
Total:	953,894.60

Tuition Refund

Quakertown Community School District	53.73
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Luzerne Intermediate Unit

ESL Supplies Reimbursement	765.90
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State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Title I – Improving Basic Programs	52,433.54
Medical Assistance-Access	20,306.30
Basic Education Funding	1,143,764.00
Property Tax Relief Payment	<u>233,677.48</u>
Total:	1,450,181.32

Local Realty Transfer Tax

Wyoming County	592.90
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Miscellaneous

District Court 11-2-01	105.91
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2. Approve the November payment of \$128,799.85 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract for programs and services for the 2016-2017 school year. The payment will be reduced by IDEA Pass Thru Funding of \$24,227.08 from the Luzerne Intermediate Unit resulting in a net payment of \$104,572.77.
3. Approve the November payment of \$43,077.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2016-2017 school year.
4. Approve payment to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for providing Special Education services to the Wyoming Area School District for the 2015-2016 school year in the amount of \$237,966.00.
5. Approve a credit from the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for providing services related to the Alternate Learning Center for the 2015-2016 school year in the amount of \$66,708.00.
6. Approve a credit from the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for Lynnwood Academy Services for the 2015-2016 school year at an annual district charge of \$23,909.40.
7. Approve the payment to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for providing Social Work Services for the 2015-2016 school year to the Wyoming Area School District at a charge of \$87,076.68.

8. Approve the payment to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for providing services related to the Partial Hospitalization Program for the 2015-2016 school year in the amount of \$14,335.76.
9. Approve the payment to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for providing services related to the Service Learning Program for the 2015-2016 school year in the amount of \$464.00.
10. Approve the New Story Tuition Agreements that will provide classroom and related services to eight students at a rate between \$230.00 and \$325.00 per student per day for the 2016-2017 school year. The rate is dependent on the level of service provided to the district.
11. Approve the Final Tax Collector Report of the tax collectors at Wyoming Area School District for the years ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2015 as prepared by the independent auditing firm of Rainey and Rainey, CPA.
12. Approve the request of the Wyoming Area School District Tax Collectors to receive compensation regarding collection of installment payments for the 2016 for real estate taxes in the amount of \$2,460.00.
13. Approve the agreement between The Graham Academy and Wyoming Area School District for the 2016-2017 school year. The Graham Academy will provide classroom and related services for students at a per diem rate of \$155.00 per student. Speech and Occupational and Physical Therapy will be provided through a contract with Encore Therapy Services, Inc. at the rate of \$115.00 per hour. If additional services are requested, the rates are as follows:
  - Crisis Intervention Services \$60.00 per hour
  - Board Certified Behavior Analyst 80.00 per hour
  - Applied Behavior Analysis 40.00 per hour
  - Licensed Professional Counseling Services 85.00 per hour
  - Toilet Training 40.00 per day
  - One-time New Student Enrollment Fee 10.00
  - Extended School Year (ESY) Program 78.00 per day  
(Summer 2017)

14. Approve the General Ledger Sheet:

Bill Listing: November 2016	825,185.88	
Prepays: October 2016	<u>233,032.37</u>	1,058,218.25
Cafeteria Account:	85,299.53	
Athletic Account:	<u>9,725.45</u>	<u>95,024.98</u>
	Total: 1,153,243.23	

Motion by Mrs. Yochem, second by Mr. Stofko, to accept the finance report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

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Education Report

Mr. Yorina read the Education Report.

1. Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirement that the District’s Federal Programs (Title I, Title II, and Drugs and Alcohol) have been planned for the 2016-2017 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, Superintendent, at the District’s Business Office.
2. Approve the revised professional substitute list for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion by Mr. Yorina, second by Mrs. Farrell, to accept the education report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Activities Report

Mrs. Farrell read the Activities Report.

1. Approve the appointment of Randy McDermott as 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys basketball coach at a salary of \$1,677.00 for the 2016-2017 winter sports season.
2. Approve the appointment of Kelly Pullen as a volunteer junior high/elementary wrestling coach for the 2016-2017 winter sports season.
3. Approve the appointment of Larry Koretz as a volunteer girls basketball coach for the 2016-2017 winter sports season.
4. Approve the appointment of the following head coaches for the 2017 spring season:

Softball Coach	John McNeil	4,598.00
Girls Lacrosse	Carl DeLuca	2,105.00
Boys Lacrosse	Shaun Rohland	2,105.00
Boys Tennis	William Roberts	1,554.00
Track & Field	Joe Pizano	4,598.00
Baseball	Ron Musto	4,598.00

Motion by Mrs. Farrell, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the activities report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, voted no on item #4 Baseball and yes on the remaining report. Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem, abstained on item #4 and voted yes on the remaining report, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

1. Approve the request of Michele Wroblewski, President of the Wyoming Area Wrestling Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center gym, concession stand and gym hallway for wrestling meets on Sunday, November 20th, Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 4, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. for set-up until the end of the meet at approximately 5:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
2. Approve the request of Shea Riley, Marching Band Director, to use the stadium and all athletic fields for a Drum Corps Show on Saturday, June 24, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
3. Approve the request of Nancy Alberigi and Nick Guska, Senior Parents, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria/kitchen for a bingo fundraiser on Sunday, March 26, 2017, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged if a custodian or cafeteria worker's services are needed. (Class A)
4. Accept, with regret, the retirement letter of Carol Reilly, Part-time Cleaner, retroactive to October 6, 2016.
5. Approve the appointment of Karen Drost as Library Aide at the Secondary Center.
6. Approve the request of Cathy White, President of the Wyoming Area Swim Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors" on Thursday, December 1, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged if a custodian or cafeteria worker's services are needed. (Class A)
7. Accept, with regret, Dawn Fasciana's letter of resignation as Level I Secretary effective November 18, 2016.
8. Accept, with regret, Carrie Jackson's letter of resignation as Special Education Aide effective November 23, 2016.
9. Approve the request of Joanne Lavelle, Kindergarten Aide, to take a consecutive twelve week unpaid leave starting in January 2017.
10. Approve the request of Victoria Webb, Senior, to have Powder Puff Football at the stadium on Saturday, November 19, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. and Carmen Latona, Senior Class Advisor, to have an after party in the cafeteria from 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director. A \$25.00 per hour fee may be charged to the organization if a custodian or cafeteria worker's services are needed. (Class A)

Motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mr. Marianacci, to accept the building report.

Ree Ree DeLuca, a parent, stated she received a bill for a library book. She asked if they charge. Mrs. Serino responded it would be looked into. Maybe he didn't return it?

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

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Policy Report

Mr. Bolin read the Policy Report.

- 1. Approve the second reading and adoption of policy #626 Federal Fiscal Compliance and attachments.
- 2. Approve the second reading and adoption of policy #626.1 Travel Reimbursement – Federal Programs.

Motion by Mr. Bolin, second by Mr. Stofko, to accept the policy report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

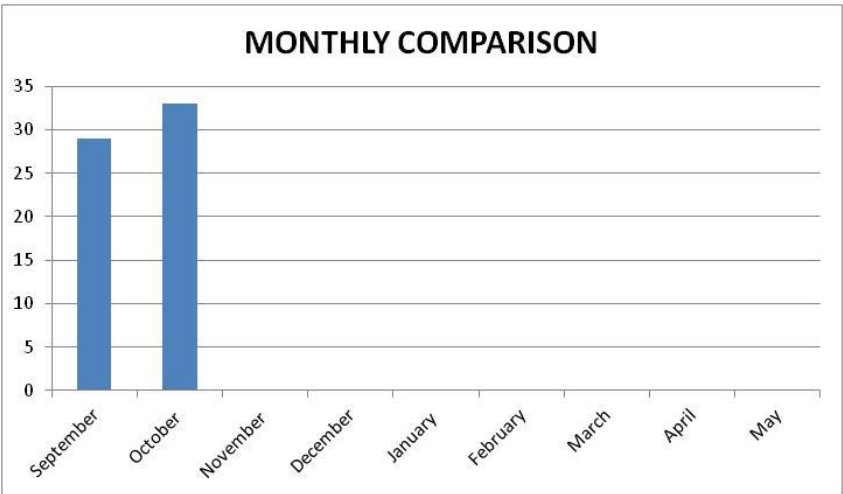
Motion passed.

Police Report

**Wyoming Area Police Department  
Monthly Report for October, 2016  
Total Calls for Service 33**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
0000 – Parent Conference	2
0690 – Theft-Reports	1
1890 – Narcotics-Reports	1
2410 – Harassment by Communication	1
2450 - Harassment	2
2664 – All Other Offenses-All Other (Misc.)	4
2690 – All Other Offenses-Reports	6
3900 – Traffic & Parking Problems	2
4010 – Traffic Offenses	2
4090 – Non-Criminal-Reports	8
TRUA - Compulsory School Attendance	4
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<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>
<b><u>Monthly Comparison</u></b>	

<u>October Calls for Service</u>	<u>September Calls for Service</u>	<u>Plus/Minus Comparison</u>
33	29	+4



Open Discussion from Board:

- Mr. Stofko praised the football team for the excellent job. He also acknowledged the board, superintendent, administration, Mrs. Collevecchio, the support staff, and Maureen Pikas for the tremendous job they did with the Veteran's Day program. The veterans really appreciate it. Some came from the VA Hospital.
- Mr. Yorina also acknowledged Mrs. Collevecchio and the staff for the great job they did and stated it is a great deal. There is a great deal of respect.
- Mrs. Gober-Mangan stated the kids are a part of it and they want to be there.

Audience:

- Ree Ree DeLuca letter to board asking for a donation for the boys and girls lacrosse team and three football players thrown out of football game. What is the protocol?
- Goal post fixed by Joe Pizano, Athletic Director.
- John Pegg questioning item #6 under finance. Is that a credit? Mr. Melone responded it was. The LIU gives us advanced money over a twelve month period. At the end of year they see how many children had services. Asked what social work services were. Mrs. Serino stated there are students that need different services. We have more students coming in from other areas with the need for their services. Some students need to be placed in other facilities. Some students that aren't special ed need help. Dr. Campenni stated there is also a rise in opiate addiction. Mr. Pegg questioned #12 tax collectors compensation. Is it based on number of tax collectors? Mr. Melone responded yes. It is done in installments and it requires two additional visits and supplemental rates.

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mr. Marianacci.

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Elizabeth Gober-Mangan, President

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John Marianacci, Secretary