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Wyoming Area School District
Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education
20 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643
Tuesday, October 27, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education was held this evening at the Wyoming Area Secondary Center, 20 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643, with approximately twenty people in attendance. A non-public executive session preceded the meeting. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Estelle Campenni, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Roll Call:

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

Also in attendance were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, School Solicitor, Tom Melone, Business Consultant, Vito Quaglia, Secondary Center Building Principal, Cathy Ranieli, Assistant Secondary Center Building Principal, Jon Pollard, Elementary Building Principal of Tenth St./JFK, Joseph Long, Elementary Building Principal of Montgomery Ave./SJD, Camilla Granteed, School Psychologist, Melissa Collevecchio, Food Service Director, Christine Rosenkrans, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Frank Pugliese, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, Grace Gober and Emily Uritz, Student Representatives.

Communications Report

Mrs. Farrell read the Communications Report.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit minutes of their regular meeting of August 12, 2015.
2. Gladys Lincoln, Clerical Aide at SJD Elementary School, requesting permission to take a leave of absence without pay.
3. Jenny Kranson, Wyoming Area Girls Soccer Parents Association, requesting permission to have a fundraiser bagging groceries at Gerrity's Supermarket.
4. Carmen Marranca, Wyoming/West Wyoming Panthers, requesting permission to rent the cafeteria at \$50.00 for the Panthers Banquet.
5. Leandra Hosey, President of the Wyoming Area 2016 Senior Class Parent's Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for a Pasta Dinner and Craft Fair fundraiser.
6. Bob Trusavage submitting a Right to Know Request for SAT scores for the last five years, VIN numbers for machinery used at Wyoming Area and bills for Montgomery Avenue School.
7. Trisha Mays submitting a Right to Know Request for contract awarded for boiler replacement at SJD Elementary School.
8. Joe Farns submitting a Right to Know Request for information of all district employees: salaries/wages, e-mail addresses and family relation between employees, and/or family relation between employees and school board members.

9. Trisha Frassetto, Signature Information Solutions, submitting a Right to Know Request for detailed real estate tax collector's report for September.
10. Correspondence from Cosmas C. Curry, Superintendent of Bloomsburg Area School District, and son of Coach George Curry, acknowledging the great sportsmanship of Coach Spencer, our football team and staff at the football game on October 9, 2015.
11. Correspondence from The Berwick 12th Man Booster Club regarding the kindness shown to Coach George Curry on his 450th win from our coaches and football team at the game on October 9, 2015.
12. Ryan Murray, Senior District Executive, The Northeastern Pennsylvania Council Boy Scouts, requesting permission to rent the Secondary Center gym at \$150.00 for the Cub Scout Pinewood District Derby.
13. Nancy Alberigi, Wyoming Area Ice Hockey Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors."
14. Kellie Romanowski submitting her letter of resignation as kindergarten aide at JFK Elementary School.

Summary of Applications Received

Special Education – 2
English – 2
Teacher Aides – 2
Speech-Language - 1

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Campenni asked for approval of minutes of regular meeting August 25, 2015. All board members present voted aye.

Dr. Campenni asked for approval of minutes of regular meeting September 22, 2015. All board member present vote aye.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

1. The new principal for Montgomery Avenue and Sarah J. Dymond has arrived. Mr. Joseph Long started on October 19, 2015. Welcome Mr. Long.
2. We hired a new Special Education Director, Vanessa Nee, she will begin at Wyoming Area shortly after Thanksgiving.
3. The Wyoming Area Athletic Department would like to acknowledge the Abington Heights Field Hockey team for their contribution to the Gober Family fundraiser, held Monday, October 19, 2015, at the field hockey senior night game. The Abington Heights team held a coin drop at their school and donated the proceeds to the Annie's Angels fund.

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4. On October 23 our schools participated in the Great NorthEast ShakeOut. It is an annual multi-state earthquake drill. The students and faculty practiced "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" Major earthquakes may happen anywhere you live, work, or travel. The ShakeOut is our chance to practice how to protect ourselves, and for everyone to become prepared. The goal is to prevent a major earthquake from becoming a catastrophe. Millions of people worldwide have participated in Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill since 2008.
5. Mrs. Przybyla and Mrs. Coolbaugh from 10th Street Elementary will be hosting a Special Program conducted by Dr. Bill Lewis (Board of Directors- Luzerne County Historical Society) with Ms. Mae Thomas (Whose brother and mother were survivors of the sinking of the Titanic) on the final voyage of the Titanic and connections to Luzerne County. The program is scheduled for Nov 2 at 11:00 in Mrs. Przybyla's classroom. Ms. Thomas and Dr. Lewis have presented this topic several times for the 4th grade students at Tenth Street. This program adds historical and first context to the stories from the Reading Series.
6. Montgomery Avenue PTO conducted a Coat Drive from October 13th through October 23rd. Coats will be donated to the Kid's Closet at St. John the Evangelist Church, Pittston.
7. The Montgomery Avenue PTO will be sponsoring a canned food drive beginning November 2nd through Christmas. The food will be donated to the food bank at the West Pittston United Methodist Church.
8. Sarah J. Dymond PTO in conjunction with PPL Electric Utilities will be providing a forum, Community in Action, on Wednesday, November 4 at 6:00 PM. The presentation will provide a fundraising opportunity to help schools, households and communities save money and energy. The school can earn up to \$1000 for hosting an energy forum. Each family will receive a kit with energy efficiency products. Attendees will learn how to save money on utility bills.
9. Spirit Week will be celebrated in the elementary schools the week of November 2nd. On November 5th several football players and cheerleaders from the secondary center will visit the elementary schools and a Pep Rally will be held.

Mrs. Serino acknowledged our coach, Mr. Spencer and our football team. After a recent football game against Berwick, Mr. Spencer and the football team thanked Coach George Curry, for his years of service and for having the opportunity to play with his team. Coach Curry is currently having some health issues.

Student Representative's Report

Grace Gober read the report.

Grace welcomed Emily Uritz as student representative. The senior class will have a Halloween parade and senior class Halloween party. Fall sports are slowly coming to an end: Football so far 2-6, Field Hockey, 13-2, Girls Soccer 5-7-2, Boys Soccer 3-10-2, Tennis finished 10-3, Golf 5-7 with 4 kids going to districts, Cross Country did well. Key Club is happening, Seniors finished their Gertrude Hawk fundraiser and A.P. finished their Krispy Kreme fundraiser for their English trip, Jr. Class is currently in the middle of their Gertrude Hawk sale, Drama Clubs "The Curious Savage" will be performed on November 20th, 21, and 22. Football plays Pittston Area November 6th, Claudia Waltz was the 2015 Homecoming Queen. Have a nice Holiday and don't eat too much candy this weekend.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Treasurer's Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	3,758,426.29
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,059.93
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	51,831.20
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	103,608.28
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	16,604.82
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	Earned Income Tax Revenue	310,475.52

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

Finance Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

Local Realty Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	29,363.87
Wyoming County	<u>319.23</u>
Total:	29,683.10

Delinquent Real Estate Tax

Wyoming County	34,217.00
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2015 Real Estate Taxes

Ann Marie Farley – Exeter Twp., Wyoming County	356,150.76
Paul Konopka – Wyoming Borough	1,149,011.00
Thomas Polacheck – Exeter Borough	2,238,865.67
George Miller – West Pittston Borough	1,838,841.00
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough	1,307,389.54
Wayman Smith- Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	<u>1,377,277.20</u>
Total:	8,267,535.17

Department of Revenue

Public Utility Realty Tax (PURTA)	18,869.86
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In Lieu of Taxes

State Game Lands 78.40

Miscellaneous

Right to Know Request Payments 188.20

District Court 11-2-01 16.60

Total: 204.80

Landmark Community Bank

Credit Card Rewards 50.14

Commonwealth of PA.

Medicaid Admin Claims 2,495.77

2. Approve the October payment of \$114,383.99 to Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract agreement for programs and services for the 2015-2016 school year.
3. Approve the October payment of \$41,685.00 to the West Side Career and Technology Center for the 2015-2016 school year.
4. Approve the agreement with Berkheimer One Source to assist in the printing and mailing of the annual Homestead/Farmstead invitation letters to eligible residents that reside within Luzerne County of the District.
5. Approve the Resolution of the Board of School Directors of the Wyoming Area School District and the Redevelopment Authority of Luzerne County authorizing the sale of 2016 tax claims and anticipated 2017 and anticipated 2018 tax claims.
6. Approve the appointment of Conrad Siegal Actuaries to provide services regarding compliance with Section 6055 and 6056 Employer Reporting Mandate under The Affordable Care Act (ACA). The estimated fee range for the proposed consulting service is \$5,500.00 to \$6,100.00.
7. Approve the amended Service Agreement with The Gregory Center for Applied Behavior Analysis. Consultation services will be billed monthly at \$55.00 per hour for Behavior Technician Services one on one for training and monitoring of implementation of plan.
8. Approve payment of \$850.00 to the Internal Revenue Service for a filing fee to apply for 501(c) 3 status for the Wyoming Area Foundation.
9. Approve to authorize the secretary of the board to advertise for refuse bids for a two year contract January 2016 to December 2017.
10. Approve the General Ledger Sheet:

Prepays: September 2015	84,747.04	84,747.04
Cafeteria Account:	62,805.74	
Athletic Account:	<u>5,750.00</u>	<u>68,555.74</u>
		Total: 153,302.78

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

Roll Call: Mr. Bolin voted yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Degnan abstained on item #5 and voted yes on the remaining report. Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes. Motion passed.

Education Report

Mrs. Gober-Mangan 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 2015-2016 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, Superintendent, at the District’s Business Office.
2. Approve the step placement for Kristina Anderson, Temporary Professional Employee, at Master’s + 60, Step 1, \$58,307.00, pro-rated according to her start date of September 24, 2015.
3. Approve the revised professional substitute list for the 2015-2016 school year.
4. Approve the appointment of Emily Uritz as Student Representative to serve on the Wyoming Area School Board.
5. Approve to ratify the appointment of Shea Riley as marching band director for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
6. Approve the appointment of Paula Cecil as SAT math instructor for the 2015-2016 school year.
7. Approve to accept the letter of resignation from Kelly Carroll, a professional employee of the district, effective 90 days from October 27, 2015 or sooner at the discretion of the Superintendent. (This item was added from the floor)

Motion by Mrs. Gober-Mangan, second by Mrs. Farrell, to accept the education report.

Roll Call: Mr. Bolin voted yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Degnan voted no on item #2 and yes on the remaining report. Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes.

Motion passed.

Activities Report

Mrs. Farrell read the Activities Report.

1. Approve the request of Jenny Kranson, Co-President of the Wyoming Area Girls Soccer Parents Association, to have a fundraiser bagging groceries at Gerrity’s Supermarket in West Pittston and Wyoming.
2. Approve the appointment of the following assistant coaches for the 2015-2016 winter sports season:

Boys Basketball

Rich Musinski	9 th Grade Coach	1,677.00
Joseph Bitzer	8 th Grade Coach	1,677.00
Matthew Gonzalez	7 th Grade Coach	1,677.00
Jared Carlo	Volunteer	

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Winter Track

Ken Stackhouse	Volunteer
Michael Fanti	Volunteer

Wrestling

Cody Roccograndi	Assistant	3,377.00
Pat Heck	Junior High Coach	3,377.00
Anthony Heck	Asst. Junior High Coach	2,508.00
Jeff Pepe	Volunteer Elementary Coach	
Mark Poccheschi	Volunteer Elementary Coach	
Chris Stone	Volunteer Elementary Coach	
Patrick Hall	Volunteer Elementary Coach	

Swimming

Ken Bryden	Dive Coach	2,508.00
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Motion by Mrs. Farrell, second by Mrs. Gober-Mangan, to accept the activities report.

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

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Yorina read the Building Report.

1. Approve to ratify the request of Gladys Lincoln, Clerical Aide at SJD Elementary School, to take a leave of absence, without pay, retroactive to October 1, 2015 to January 4, 2016.
2. Approve the revised support personnel substitute list for the 2015-2016 school year.
3. Approve the request of Carmen Marranca, Wyoming/West Wyoming Panthers, to rent the Secondary Center cafeteria (kitchen not needed) at \$50.00 for their Panthers Banquet on Saturday, November 21, 2015, from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., (the actual banquet is 5 p.m. to 9 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's services are needed. (Class B)
4. Approve the request of Leandra Hosey, President of the Wyoming Area 2016 Senior Class Parent's Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria/kitchen for a Pasta Dinner and Craft Fair fundraiser, on Sunday, December 13, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with set up on Saturday, December 12, 2015 at 4:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization for the services of a cafeteria employee and/or custodian. (Class A)
5. Approve the request of Ryan Murray, Senior District Executive, The Northeastern Pennsylvania Council Boy Scouts, to rent the Secondary Center gym at \$150.00 for the Cub Scout Pinewood District Derby on Saturday, April 30, 2016, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., set-up is requested Friday, April 29, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if the services of a custodian are needed. (Class B)
6. Approve the request of Nancy Alberigi, Wyoming Area Ice Hockey Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria (kitchen not needed) for "Meet the Warriors" on Thursday, November 5, 2015, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. which includes set up. Pending approval by the building principal and food service director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if the services of a custodian are needed. (Class A)

7. Accept, with regret, the resignation of Kellie Romanowski as kindergarten aide at JFK Elementary School effective October 30, 2015.
8. Approve the appointment of Alexandria Briggs as a long term substitute family and Consumer Science teacher for Antoinette Jones effective approximately November 11, 2015 to the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.
9. Approve the appointment of Theresa Alba as a nurse technician effective October 28, 2015.
10. Approve the appointment of Quinn Gillespie as a paraprofessional aide at the Secondary Center.

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

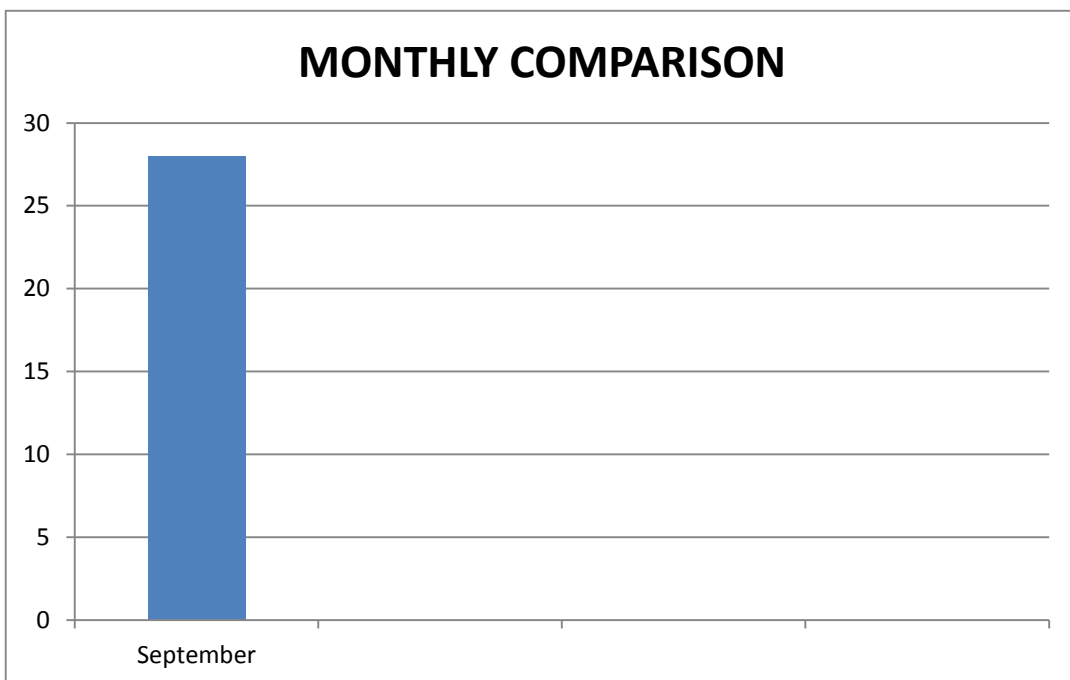
Roll Call: Mr. Bolin voted yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Degnan, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem abstained on item #2 and voted yes on the remaining report. Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes.

Motion passed.

Police Report

<u>CODE</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
0000 - Parent Conference	6
0002 - Transport	2
0619 - Theft – \$200 & over-all other	1
1440 - Criminal Mischief	1
3100 - Motor Vehicle Accidents	2
3610 - Disturbances – Juvenile	1
3800 - Service Call - Miscellaneous	1
3900 - Traffic & Parking Problems	1
4090 - Non-Criminal – Reports	9
6614 - Traffic Related – Other Traffic	1
TRUA– Compulsory School Attendance	<u>3</u>
Total	<u>28</u>

Monthly Comparison



Open discussion:

On behalf of Grace and herself, and the rest of the Gober family, Mrs. Gober-Mangan thanked the field hockey parents, the Kiwanis and the Abington Heights field hockey team for the wonderful support they showed the Gober family last Monday night for everyone that came out and donated. Also, Mrs. Gober stated she attended Roba's Farm with the JFK field trip and had the pleasure of chaperoning three boys and stated the children had a wonderful time.

Mr. John Pegg questioned the Title I funding and asked if we are affected by the state budget. Mr. Melone responded that right now we are using local funds. They are federal funds but they come through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. on a motion by Dr. Campenni, second by Mrs. Gober-Mangan.

Estelle Campenni, Ph.D., President

Deanna Farrell, Secretary