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Wyoming Area School District
Combined Work Session/Regular Meeting of the
Wyoming Area Board of Education
20 Memorial Street, Pennsylvania, 18643
Tuesday, January 26, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

The combined work session/regular meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education was held this evening at the Secondary Center auditorium, 20 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, with approximately fifty people in attendance. A non-public personnel meeting preceded the regular meeting. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. John Bolin, President of the Board called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

- Mr. John Bolin, President**
- Mr. John Marianacci, Vice President**
- Mrs. Toni Valenti, Secretary**
- Dr. Frank Casarella, Treasurer**
- Mr. David Alberigi**
- Mr. Samuel Aritz**
- Dr. Estelle Campenni**
- Mr. Nicholas DeAngelo**
- Mr. Gilbert Dominick**

Also in attendance were: Raymond J. Bernardi, Superintendent, Tom Melone, Business Consultant, Attorney Raymond A. Hassey, School Solicitor, Janet Serino, District Principal of Curriculum, Cathy Ranieli, Assistant Secondary Principal, Margaret Grimes, Elementary Principal of Tenth St./JFK, Robert Kaluzavich, Elementary Principal of Montgomery Ave./SJD, Deb Popson, Special Education Supervisor, Camilla Granteed, School Psychologist, Officer Chris Alberigi, Dave Amico, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, Janet Boyer, Foodservice Manager, Jillian Balberchak and Joseph Marrone, Student Representatives.

Communications Report

Mrs. Valenti read the communications report.

- 1. Meeting minutes from the Luzerne Intermediate Unit's regular meeting of November 18, 2009.**
- 2. John Kaschak, CPA, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, informing the Superintendent the single audit report for Wyoming Area School District for year ended June 30, 2009 contains the required elements of a single audit report package as required by OMB Circular A-133 and commonwealth policy.**
- 3. Ronald Musto, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center auditorium for a Baseball Seminar.**
- 4. Narda Sperrazza, Music Teacher, requesting permission to accompany three students to District Chorus 9 at the Wallenpaupack/Honesdale high school.**
- 5. Randy Spencer, Head Football Coach, requesting permission to attend the NIKE Coach of the Year Clinic, along with three assistant coaches, in Atlantic City, NJ.**
- 6. Janet Serino, District Principal of Curriculum, requesting permission to attend the Pennsylvania Federal Program Coordinators conference in Hershey, PA.**

7. **Barbara Anzalone, Northeast Pennsylvania Academy of Dancing, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center auditorium for a dance performance.**
8. **Bill Petrucci, Player Agent of Wyoming/West Wyoming Little League, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center gym for Little League try-outs.**
9. **Deb Popson, Special Education Supervisor, requesting permission to attend the Pennsylvania Department of Education/Bureau of Special Education Conference in Hershey, PA.**
10. **Right To Know Request from Ann Biros, Biros Utilities, Inc., for portal toilet rental agreements, contracts and disbursements from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008.**
11. **Lisa Barrett, President of the Wyoming Area Education Association, notifying the Superintendent she is unwilling to sign the Memorandum of Understanding to secure monies for the "Race to the Top" initiative.**
12. **Gerald Stofko, Parade Committee Chairman, inviting the school board, Wyoming Area Marching Band and the Color Guards to participate in the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.**
13. **Ree Ree DeLuca, Vice President of Publicity, West Pittston Rams, notifying the Board, in honor of the district's support of their organization, the Board of Directors of the West Pittston Rams would like to donate their services to reconstruct the room at the left of the Bell Tower at the stadium (the old field house).**
14. **Drew Nat, Wyoming Area Softball Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for their annual ziti dinner/craft show.**
15. **Drew Nat, Wyoming Area Softball Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors".**
16. **Dana Kuhns, District Director of Boys Scouts of America, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center gym for District Derby Day.**
17. **Correspondence from Rebecca McLaughlin of Ohio Casualty regarding file #703890580.**
18. **Correspondence from Attorney James T. Rague, Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board, regarding Case# PERA-C-09-477-E.**
19. **Jack Wagner, Auditor General, notifying the district to avoid using swaps, a contract between a bond issuer in which the parties bet on which way interest rates will move and other unpredictable factors.**
20. **Catherine Hague, Administrative Professional, requesting permission to take a medical leave.**
21. **Acknowledge receipt of the Auditor General's Performance Audit Report for fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005.**

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22. Josephine Belza, Elementary Teacher, requesting permission to extend her child bearing/child rearing leave.
23. Rosella Fedor, Special Program Advisor, requesting permission to hold the 6th Annual Career Day at St. Anthony's Center facility.
24. Ellyn Salmon, Elementary Teacher, submitting her letter of intent to retire.
25. Shea Riley, Music Teacher, requesting permission to accompany a student to the PMEA Region Orchestra at Reading High School.
26. Correspondence from Attorney Robin Snyder of Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman & Goggin, regarding Docket #17786-CV-2009.

Summary of Applications Received

Elementary – 2

Guidance – 8

History – 1

Art – 1

Speech - 1

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Valenti motioned to accept the minutes of regular meeting of January 26, 2010, second by Mr. DeAngelo. All Board Members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Bernardi read the superintendent's report.

1. *Congratulations to the 7th and 8th grade **students of the month** for November:*

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| <i>BANAS, Julia DeLUCA, Sally FACCIPONTI, Chaslyn LASHER, Keirstin MELVIN, Courtney ROACH, Joseph SMITH, Emily TROTTINI, Francesca</i> | <i>BEDNARSKI, Drew ELLIOTT, Brandyn GRESH, Cordell MALLOY, Alexa NORWICKI, Kara SCOBLE, Breanna SPAGNUOLO, Gabrielle WISOWATY, Brian</i> |
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2. *The **Guidance Department** reported that they have forwarded in excess of **540** college transcripts during the current college application process as well as in excess of **400** letters of recommendation.*
3. ***Scholarship Information Night** was held on January 14th with over 200 parents and students in attendance. Thanks to the Guidance Department, Administrators and Staff along with Student Council members for their help in making this event such a success. The Wyoming Area website is now active and anyone can access information regarding the majority of scholarships that are offered to our students. A **community outreach and scholarship celebration** is scheduled for May 27th in the Secondary Center Cafeteria to honor the donors and recipients of the various scholarships awarded to Wyoming Area students.*

4. *January in Pennsylvania is “**SCHOOL DIRECTOR RECOGNITION MONTH**”. I would like to recognize our **Board of Education**, for their many years of dedicated service. The Board of Education demonstrates a unique commitment to our community’s future – our children. They represent the community’s beliefs and values when making decisions about the operation of the school(s) and ensure that tax dollars are spent wisely. They give of their time and many talents without compensation. We are all fortunate to have a **Board** committed to quality education and for always keeping the students first. On behalf of the entire **Wyoming Area Staff and Community**, I thank you.*

Student Representative’s Report

Jillian Balberchak read the report.

The Key Club is raising money to benefit the American Cancer Society. The Relay for Life team has been bagging groceries at Gerrity’s in West Pittston and Wyoming and conducted a book fair at Barnes and Noble. There are many other events coming up. Due to the devastating conditions in Haiti, SAVE is conducting a fundraiser around the school by placing containers in each homeroom. The middle school and high school Science Olympiad teams have been chosen. The competition will take place on March 10, 2010 at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus. Junior and Senior students have been given Gertrude Hawk Candy fundraisers to raise money for the prom on June 4, 2010. Jessica Dauber and Jessica Hollister have recently participated in the District Orchestra. After rounds of auditions, their scores qualified them for this prestigious honor. Students recently attended the Regional Leadership Conference for FBLA at Luzerne County Community College. Many Wyoming Area Students received awards, including nine who have advanced to the state level. They are: Olivia Adonizio, Stacey Blanett, Linnae Homza, Maria Kelly, Ronald Klepadlo, Kayla Kross, Jessica Olejnik, Jenna Skrinok and Tia Spagnuolo. The conference is held in Hershey in April. Tenth grade students are being encouraged to pick up an application for the 2010-2011 Junior Leadership Program. The 2009-2010 Junior Leadership students are holding the 9th annual Hoops for Hope on March 14th at the Dallas High School. Joseph Marrone thanked the board and guidance department for Information Night.

Treasurer’s Report

Dr. Casarella read the treasurer’s report.

| <u>Bank</u> | <u>Account</u> | <u>Checking Account</u> | <u>Money Market Account</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Landmark Bank | General Fund | 7,737,578.55 | |
| First National Community Bank | General Fund | 91,294.36 | |
| Fidelity Bank | General Fund | | 275,243.67 |
| Wachovia Bank | General Fund | 83,975.33 | |
| Landmark Bank | Delinquent Tax Fund | 109,804.65 | |
| PNC Bank | Payroll Acct. | 2,655.13 | |

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| Fidelity Bank | Payroll Acct. | 921.46 |
| Landmark Bank | Cafeteria Acct. | 186,442.58 |
| Landmark Bank | Student Activities Acct. | 105,003.63 |
| Landmark Bank | Athletic Fund Acct. | 15,690.11 |
| PNC Bank | Capital Projects Fund Bank Investment Acct. | 1,093,082.56 |
| PNC Bank | Capital Projects Fund Bank Construction Acct. | 6,305.39 |
| PNC Bank | Energy Performance Proceeds Fund | 30,603.58 |

The treasurer's report will be kept on file for audit.

Finance Report

Mr. DeAngelo read the finance report.

1. Received the following checks:

Don Wilkinson Agency (Dec.)

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| Earned Income Tax | 218,447.84 |
| Local State Tax | 2,370.83 |
| Per Capita Tax | <u>1,884.10</u> |
| Total: | 222,702.77 |

Local Realty Transfer Tax

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| James Red O'Brien (Nov.) Luzerne County | 7,571.18 |
| James Red O'Brien (Dec.) Luzerne County | <u>7,914.83</u> |
| Total: | 15,486.01 |

2009 Real Estate Taxes

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| George Miller West Pittston Borough | 70,133.16 |
| Carol Bardzel Exeter Twp., Wyoming County | 30,198.33 |
| Robert Connors West Wyoming Borough | 145,559.49 |
| Paul Konopka Wyoming Borough | 87,993.47 |
| Wayman Smith Exeter Twp., Luzerne County | 182,138.37 |
| Tom Polacheck Exeter Borough | <u>166,234.43</u> |
| Total: | 682,257.25 |

Tuition

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| Wilkes-Barre Area School District 2008-09 school year | 2,302.26 |
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Luzerne Intermediate Unit

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| IDEA B Pass Thru Funds for 08-09 | 237,876.00 |
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Refund

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| Shamokin Area School District 06-07 | 239.80 |
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State & Federal Subsidy Payments

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| Social Security | 45,128.00 |
| Retirement | 76,879.36 |
| Title I-Improving Basic Programs | 32,162.27 |
| ARRA – Title I Part A | 15,934.76 |
| Title II-Improving Teacher Quality | 8,623.13 |
| Drug Free Schools | 596.64 |
| Basic Education Funding | 892,905.78 |
| School District Special Education | 325.79 |
| School District Transportation | 230,671.00 |
| Non Public Transportation | 38,885.00 |
| Reimbursement of Charter Schools | <u>6,353.00</u> |
| Total: | 1,348,464.73 |

Miscellaneous

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| District Court 11-2-01 | 48.70 |
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Payment for Use of Facilities

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| Scranton Public Theatre Partial payment for use of auditorium | 250.00 |
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2. Approve the January payment of \$72,362.69 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract agreement for programs and services for the 2009-2010 school year.
3. Approve the January payment of \$40,906.00 to the West Side Career and Technology Center for the 2009-2010 school year.
4. Ratify the approval of the UGI Energy Services Master Natural Gas Sales Agreement. The agreement is for the period January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.
5. Approve to authorize the district to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) to provide for Electric Capacity (Generation) and Transmission for various district electric accounts.

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6. Approve to authorize the Secretary of the Board to advertise the following bids for the 2010-2011 school year: General Supplies, Band Supplies/Equipment, Music Supplies, Marching Band, Art Supplies, Physical Education, Athletic Medical, Nursing, Janitorial Supplies, Industrial Arts, Science Supplies, Electrical/Maintenance Supplies, Award Jackets, Fuel Oil.
7. Approve to appoint the law firm of Elliott Greenleaf and Dean, specifically Attorney Jack Dean as Head Labor Negotiator for the Professional Staff Contract.
8. Approve the attached 2009-2010 Property Tax Abatements as requested by the applicable tax collectors. The original property tax bill was paid and reported at the higher assessed value creating a refund due to the property owner.
9. Approve the February 15, 2010 Note payment to PNC Bank in the amount of \$102,280.22 associated with the Energy Performance Contract of the Wyoming Area School District.
10. Approve the attached resolution relative to Act I – Taxpayer Relief Act which states the Board of Education certifies that it will not increase any school district tax for the 2010-2011 school year at a rate that exceeds the index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
11. Approve the attached list of invoices for January submitted for payment from the Capital Project Account.
12. Approve the General Ledger Sheet:

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| Bill Listing: | 1-26-10 | 515,334.45 | |
| Prepays: | 12-10-09 | <u>40,559.47</u> | 555,893.92 |
| Cafeteria Account: | | 91,408.09 | |
| Athletic Account: | | <u>3,291.00</u> | <u>94,699.09</u> |
| | | Total: | 650,593.01 |

Motion by Mrs. Valenti, second by Mr. Aritz to accept the Finance Report.

On the Question: Mr. Dominick questioned item #9. Mr. Melone responded that back in 2006 a contract went out to borrow approximately 2.3 million to reduce energy savings throughout the district. The plan was designed with savings that were generated from those projects then would be utilized until 2020. Mr. Dominick then asked what was the advantage of having five banks. (referring to treasurer’s report) Mr. Melone responded prior to this board, the prior board elected to utilize five banks. PNC was utilized for the construction fund. Landmark and others were utilized for other accounts. All of the banks provide interest bearing accounts. The banks provide different rates and some provide courier service. Mr. Dominick stated the district should shop around. George Race questioned item #7, the cost. Attorney Hassey responded he believes the hourly rate is 190. Mr. Race asked when this will take place. Attorney Hassey responded it is mandated by law to meet a week before February 24th. Mr. Race stated this is the perfect time to change the direction we were going. We complain about the tax rates and then it’s too late. Let them know we can’t roll over for the teachers anymore.

Roll Call: All board members present voted yes. Motion passed.

Education Report

Dr. Campenni read the education report.

1. Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirements that the District's Federal Programs, (Title I, Title II and Drugs and Alcohol) have been planned for the 2009-2010 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, District Principal of Curriculum, at the District's Business Office.
2. Ratify the approval of the Memo of Understanding between Wyoming Area Education Association and Wyoming Area School District to allow any member of the professional staff to voluntarily donate one sick leave day during the 2009-2010 school year to professional employee Kim Marchesini.
3. Ratify the approval of Diane Dennis, Health/Physical Education Teacher, to take a sick leave for six weeks starting January 18, 2010 until Monday, March 1, 2010.
4. Approve the revised teacher substitute list for the 2009-2010 school year.
5. Approve the Planned Course revisions for the 2010-2011 school year.
6. Approve Janet Serino, District Principal of Curriculum, to attend the Pennsylvania Federal Program Coordinators Annual Conference in Hershey, PA., Sunday, March 21st through Wednesday, March 24, 2010. Registration cost of \$360.00, lodging cost of \$594.51, and mileage reimbursement to be funded by Title II funds.
7. Approve Deb Popson, Special Education Supervisor, to attend the Pennsylvania Department of Education/Bureau of Special Education Conference on "Making a Difference: Educational Practices that Work" in Hershey, PA., on Tuesday, April 6th through Friday, April 9, 2010. Registration cost of \$125.00 to be provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Lodging cost of \$452.88 and mileage reimbursement to be funded within the Special Education budget of the General Fund.
8. Approve Jennifer Hines for tenure having completed three years of satisfactory service as a temporary professional employee, recommended by the Superintendent of schools.
9. Approve to rescind the posting for Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT) Coach.
10. Approve the proposal to provide a Credit Union Student Run Branch and Educational Resources to High School Students submitted by John Hayduk, President of the UFCW Federal Credit Union.
11. Approve the request of Josephine Belza, Elementary Teacher, to extend her child bearing/child rearing leave until April 30, 2010.
12. Approve the request of Rosella Fedor, Special Program Advisor, to hold the 6th Annual Career Day at St. Anthony's Center facility on Thursday, May 20, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

13. **Accept, with regret, Ellyn Salmon's letter of intent to retire effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year.**
14. **Motion to approve the Agreement between Wyoming Area School District and Therapy Source to provide Speech and Language services through June 30, 2010 at a rate of \$72.00 per hour subject to review of the solicitor.**

At this time, John Hayduk, President and C.E.O. of the UFCW Federal Credit Union, gave a presentation to offer Wyoming Area School District an opportunity to be a forerunner in Wyoming Area for a student loan grant credit union and education in financial literacy in the Secondary Center. Mr. Hayduk stated the purpose of this student run credit union is to assist young people in development of personal financial responsibilities and to establish a partnership for education. The objective is to create an educational environment in which students will have hands on experience in a financial setting, to have a savings program for students which will entice them to save for the prom, tux rentals, class rings and trips. It will also increase knowledge of today's youth. They will establish the importance of real saving goals and life long skills such as organization, human relations and teamwork. It will also give students ownership of their own financial institution at Wyoming Area. The goals are to open a fully functioning student run credit union at Wyoming Area School District, to hire and train students to run the branch, to get real world experience by making deposits, withdrawals, etc. and to open the first run student credit union in Wyoming Valley. Mr. Hayduk continued by stating Wyoming Area's responsibility is to provide any space available to run the program, to provide support between students and faculty with marketing outlets such as newsletters and the web site, to provide staff members to start as key contact people and teachers to give their ideas and the best students for the program. Mr. Hayduk stated money will be locked up and not on the premises when school is out, there will be liability so all accounts are insured, the credit union will incur all costs for equipment, two students will have extensive training. The students will use certain services for savings and be able to obtain loans up to \$100.00. They will have access to automated on-line banking and by phone. If given approval, the credit union will give seminars to teach students how to access accounts, ID theft and scams. The students who are under 18 will need signatures from their parents or guardian for checking accounts, check cards, and loans. The two students hired to run the branch will work approximately 877 hours per year and will receive approximately \$5,400.00 per year. The students can work at the Wyoming or Pittston branches when school is let out or on holidays. Mr. Hayduk stated the UFCW donates \$6,000.00 to sports organizations and fire companies, he has supported Wyoming Area and students and would like to keep supporting Wyoming Area.

Dr. Campenni stated the program is elaborate and complex and she would like to take time to think about it.

Dr. Campenni motioned for the board to accept items #1-9 and items #11-14 and table item #10.

Mr. Hayduk asked Dr. Campenni if she had questions to talk about it now. Dr. Campenni responded it would give the board more time to sit down with the Superintendent, Solicitor and Mr. Hayduk to discuss it and that's why she would like to table it. Mr. Dominick asked Mr. Hayduk if students will be able to borrow up to \$100.00. Mr. Hayduk responded yes. Mr. Dominick stated this was the first time he was hearing about this and cannot vote for it.

Mr. Dominick stated, "I second the motion by the way."

Mr. Bolin asked Mr. Hayduk if it is tabled, is there a major consequence of this. Mr. Hayduk responded there is not a major consequence but he would like to get in and start training. The seniors will be off to college or the workforce and would like to educate them. Also, the cost for equipment may be higher. Mr. Dominick stated two students will be hired, how will they train all the students. Mr. Hayduk responded there will be software the district may use. They may hire three or four students down the road. Dr. Casarella asked Mr. Hayduk how this program will benefit the credit union. Mr. Hayduk responded they will be marketing the parents and family members of the students. Dr. Casarella stated if we do this, other business' may come in to do the same thing and there is the issue of confidentiality. Dr. Campenni stated she is not against it but would like to review it more.

Mr. Bolin asked Dr. Campenni if the motion she made was to table item #10 which read to provide a credit union student run branch and educational resources to high school students submitted by John Hayduk, President of the UFCW Federal Credit Union. Dr. Campenni responded yes, and to approve the other items.

Mr. Bolin stated there was a motion to table item #10 and asked if there were any questions from the board.

Mr. Dominick motioned to second it.

An audience member stated he liked the idea of students having the responsibility of balancing a check book so they know how to do this when they get out of high school.

Phil Russo who is President and C.E.O. of the Wyoming Area Credit Union, agreed with tabling this item because he was not given the opportunity to be involved with this program. Mr. Russo stated that in all honesty they (our credit union) cannot compare with the financial options from the UFCW. They can do the educational part of it. If this item is tabled, Mr. Russo asked to be able to sit in on this. Mr. Russo said he heard about this at Christmas time. Mr. DeAngelo, Board Member, asked Mr. Russo if he could provide a student run. Mr. Russo responded it depends on what it is. Mr. Russo stated they may be able to run it in the building, but he wouldn't because the charter does not allow it. He would be able to have the educational programs. They are opposed to running it inside the building. Dr. Casarella stated he would like to review this more fully. He just received this tonight. He stated he would like to see our students have a chance at this. Joe Valenti of Pittston Politics, asked the board how long they had the proposal. Response from board members was tonight. John Bolin stated they received the proposal tonight, but have spoken about it at a prior meeting. Mr. Valenti asked Mr. Bolin when. Mr. Bolin responded it was November member and in communications in December. Mr. Alberigi stated this sounds like a good program, but would like to look it over. Mr. Hayduk responded that is fine, it is up to the school board. Dr. Campenni also stated she is not opposed to it but it undermines and belittles the complexity of the program to have it for twenty minutes and to vote yes. Mr. DeAngelo asked Mr. Russo again if he could provide a student run program at Wyoming Area School District. Mr. Russo responded he didn't know how to answer the question. Could we organize students and have students as members of our credit union, the answer is no. Could we take in their parents, the answer is no. Could we provide the educational program, Mr. Russo stated the board was asking questions and he hasn't seen the proposal which is why Mr. Russo would like to have the motion tabled. Mrs. Valenti asked Mr. Hayduk if we were locked into this. Mr. Hayduk responded, no.

Roll call was taken to table item #10.

Dr. Campenni voted yes. Dr. Casarella voted yes. Mr. Gil Dominick voted yes. Mr. DeAngelo voted no. Mrs. Valenti voted no. Mr. Marianacci voted no. Mr. Aritz voted no. Mr. Alberigi voted yes. Mr. Bolin voted no. Motion failed to table item #10.

Dr. Campenni stated the board is supposed to be educated by the decisions they make.

Roll call was taken for the education report.

Dr. Campenni voted no on item #10 and yes on remaining report. Dr. Casarella voted no on item #10 and yes on the remaining report. Mr. Dominick voted no on item #10 and yes on the remaining report. Mr. DeAngelo voted yes on the entire report. Mrs. Valenti voted yes on the entire report. Mr. Marianacci voted yes on the entire report. Mr. Aritz voted yes on the entire report. Mr. Alberigi abstained on item #10 and yes on the remaining report. Mr. Bolin voted yes on the entire report. Motion passed.

Activities Report

Mr. Alberigi read the activities report.

1. Approve the request of Narda Sperrazza, Music Teacher, to accompany three students to the PMEA District 9 Chorus on Wednesday, January 27th to Friday, January 29, 2010 at Wallenpaupak/Honesdale High School at a total cost of 357.44 for registration and housing for students. In addition, the district will incur lodging costs of \$208.25 and mileage reimbursement for the music teacher.
2. Approve the request of Randy Spencer, Head Football Coach, to attend the NIKE Coach of the Year Clinic, along with Assistant Coaches: Joe Pizano, Mike Fanti and Jason Speece, Thursday, February 4th to Saturday, February 6, 2010 in Atlantic City, NJ. The district will reimburse mileage only.
3. Approve the appointment of the following head spring coaches for the 2010 spring season:

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| Baseball | Charles Andrewscavage | 3,965.00 |
| Softball | Tabled until next meeting | |
| Track & Field | Joe Pizano | 3,965.00 |
| Girls Soccer | Roberto Sosa | 3,965.00 |
| Boys Volleyball | Noah Pickett | 1,815.00 |
| Boys Tennis | Justin DeSanto | 1,340.00 |

4. Approve the request of Shea Riley, Music Teacher, to accompany a student to the PMEA Region Orchestra at Reading High School Wednesday, February 24th to Saturday, February 27, 2010. The district will incur registration cost of \$78.00, hotel cost of \$313.02 and mileage reimbursement.

Motion by Mr. Alberigi, second by Mrs. Valenti to accept the Activities Report.

On the Question: Dr. Campenni asked why the softball position was tabled. Mr. Alberigi responded they wanted to discuss it more. An audience member commented to the board that they needed more time to discuss the softball coach but not a credit union in the school. Mr. Bolin stated this was discussed before in another meeting. The audience member asked Mr. Bernardi's opinion on this. Mr. Bernardi stated he had the proposal for awhile and endorsed it. Attorney Hassey reminded the board they were on the activities report.

Roll Call: All board members present voted yes, the motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Dominick read the building report.

1. Approve the request of Bill Petrucci, Player Agent for the Wyoming/West Wyoming Little League, to use the Secondary Center gym for Little League try-outs on Saturday, February 27, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director.
2. Approve the request of Ron Musto, Baseball Coach, to use the Secondary Center auditorium to conduct a Baseball Seminar for players and coaches on Sunday, February 28, 2010 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. All proceeds will benefit the Greater Pittston American Legion Baseball Program.
3. Approve the request of Barbara Anzalone, Northeastern PA. Academy of Dancing, to use the Secondary Center auditorium for a dance performance Friday, June 25, 2010 for rehearsal and Saturday, June 26, 2010 for the dance performance from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal.
4. Approve the request of Drew Nat, Wyoming Area Softball Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria including kitchen facilities for their annual softball ziti/craft show on Sunday, March 21, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Set up is requested for Saturday, March 20, 2010 7:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and cafeteria manager.
5. Approve the request of Drew Nat, Wyoming Area Softball Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors" on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and cafeteria manager.
6. Ratify the approval of the Drama Parents Club to hold a pasta dinner in the Secondary Center cafeteria on Sunday, January 10, 2010.
7. Approve the request of Dana Kuhns, District Director of Boy Scouts of America, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center gym for District Derby Day on Saturday, April 10, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. Access to the gym on Friday night is also requested.

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8. Approve the request of Catherine Hague, Administrative Professional, to take a medical leave effective February 1, 2010 until further notice.

Motion by Mr. Dominick, second by Mr. Aritz, to accept the Building Report.

Roll Call: All board members present voted yes. Motion passed.

Police Report

Mr. Marianacci read the police report.

Police Report for the Month of December 2009

Total Calls for Service: 33

- The SPO is in the process of planning an anti-bullying program with Magistrate Joseph Carmody for the beginning of February with the 7th and 8th grade students in the High School.

Motion by Mr. Marianacci, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the Police Report.

Mr. Marianacci reported on an incident on January 7th at Tenth Street Elementary School and the extra security measures taken over the global connect to inform parents. Mr. Alberigi, Board Member, and audience members, Dan Soke and Carl Yorina, stated they have kids that attend Tenth Street and were very pleased with knowing their kids are protected when they are not with them. Mr. Yorina stated he wasn't worried at all.

Roll Call: With all board members present voting yes, the motion passed.

Policy Report

Mrs. Valenti read the policy report.

1. Approve the first reading of policy #718 Service Animals in Schools.

Motion by Mrs. Valenti, second by Mr. DeAngelo, to accept the Policy Report.

Roll Call: With all board members present voting yes, the motion passed.

Awarding of Bids Report

Mr. Dominick read the awarding of bids report.

Bids for the sale of a 91 GMC Truck with Plow were advertised on the following dates listed:

Times Leader/Citizens Voice

Wednesday, November 25, 2009
Wednesday, December 2, 2009
Wednesday, December 9, 2009

The bids were received and opened on Wednesday, December 16, 2009.

(Successful Bidder)

J&J Contracting \$1,500.00

(Unsuccessful Bidders)

**Charles DeAngelo
Back Mountain Transmission
Joe Dileo
David Veneziano
Ray Hassey**

Bids for the purchase of a Maintenance Dump Truck were advertised on the following dates listed:

Times Leader/Citizens Voice

**Friday, December 11, 2009
Friday, December 18, 2009
Friday, December 25, 2009**

The bids were received and opened on Friday, January 8, 2010.

(Successful Bidder)

Sherwood Chevrolet, Inc. \$39,297.00

(Unsuccessful Bidders)

**Tri-Star Ford McKeesport Inc.
Barber Ford
Hondru Fleet**

Bids for Science Lab Doors were advertised on the following dates listed:

Times Leader/Citizens Voice

**Saturday, December 26, 2009
Saturday, January 2, 2010
Saturday, January 9, 2010**

The bids were received and opened on Tuesday, January 19, 2010.

(Successful Bidder)

Grimm Construction \$11,412.00

(Unsuccessful Bidders)

**H&Q Construction
BBA Consolidated Builders
Kamus Construction**

**Exeter, PA.
January 26, 2010**

Motion by Mr. Dominick, second by Mr. Aritz, to accept the awarding of bids Report.

Roll Call: With all board members present voting yes, the motion passed.

Open Discussion: Joe Valenti asked the board if there is a formal agreement with the UFCW credit union. Mr. Hayduk responded no. Attorney Hassey stated there would have to be some kind of protocol being with this on the premises. Mr. Valenti asked if a formal contract has to be voted on. Mr. Hassey responded he didn't know about a formal contract, but some details would have to be worked out to interact with the district's facilities. Mr. Valenti stated you would think something formal for liability. Mr. Hassey responded he would discuss it with administration and credit union so some protocol is made. Dr. Casarella stated all employees who deal with these students must also have the necessary clearances. This was not discussed.

Mr. Bolin made a motion pending the solicitor's review of the proposal of the UFCW. What Mr. Valenti was asking for.

Attorney Hassey asked Mr. Bolin if he was making the following motion: "Your placing a motion the credit union involvement include the review by me of protocol."

Mr. Bolin stated protocol, procedures, liability.

Mr. Dominick stated this is what he was asking for, he wasn't against it. Mr. Bolin responded to Mr. Dominick that he wasn't doubting him. Mr. Bolin stated he had a motion on the floor. Mr. Bolin asked for a second. Mrs. Valenti second the motion. Mr. Bolin asked for roll call. There were questions regarding what they were motioning. Mr. Bolin stated Mr. Hassey gives his blessing regarding who will pick up the liability, his legal opinion or his legal right on everything proposed to the board prior. He is making sure the legal aspect of it is legal. Mr. Bolin responded to Mr. Valenti, that we could have the same debate and the same people will vote no and the same people will vote yes. Mr. Dominick expressed his anger by stating the he received the proposal five minutes the meeting and he has questions and taxpayers have a right to know. Mr. Dominick wanted to delay it for a month. Mr. Dominick stated he couldn't make a decision that fast and informed Mr. Bolin he won't be quiet from now on.

Roll Call: Dr. Campenni abstained, Dr. Casarella abstained, Mr. Dominick abstained, Mr. DeAngelo voted yes, Mr. Aritz voted yes, Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Mr. Alberigi abstained, Mr. Marianacci voted yes, Mr. Bolin voted yes. Motion passed.

Carl Yorina, Wyoming, stated his daughter received sixty cards by students when she was hurt at school. Mr. Yorina's daughter is a special needs student and he called the people at Tenth Street School "magical" and asked them to keep doing what they're doing.

An audience member questioned the two teachers (also coaches) that attended the Track and Field Seminar. Is it necessary for two to attend. Mrs. Valenti responded that usually at seminars there are four or five different things going on at the same time. Mr. Alberigi stated they (coaches) pay for the registration and hotel. Mr. Bernardi responded he could ask Mr. Parra, Athletic Director, for the backup.

An audience member questioned why a former supervisor (Mr. Yorina) is still working at the SJD school part time. Mr. Bolin responded he is contracted. It's his own business. Mrs. Valenti stated we don't have anyone licensed for that.

Attorney Hassey stated the school board hired him to do that service. Mr. Bernardi responded this is Mr. Yorina's third year as a licensed Sewage Treatment Facility Operator.

An audience member asked Mr. Bernardi if the minutes of the meeting will be posted on the web site. Mr. Bernardi responded these minutes will be on tomorrow. He also asked if the roll call will be listed. Mr. Bernardi responded Ms. Holmes will then transcribe the minutes and we will put them on.

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. on a motion by Mr. DeAngelo.

John Bolin, President

Toni Valenti, Secretary