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Wyoming Area School District
Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643
Thursday, January 26, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education was held this evening at the Wyoming Area Secondary Center auditorium, 252 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. Mrs. Gober-Mangan, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Roll Call:

Mrs. Gober-Mangan, President
Mrs. Deanna Farrell, Vice President (via phone)
Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary
Mrs. Kimberly A. Yochem, Treasurer
Mr. Carmen Bolin
Mr. Gerald A. Stofko
Mrs. Toni Valenti
Mr. Carl Yorina

Absent: Dr. Estelle Campenni

Also present were: Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, School Solicitor, Thomas Melone, Business Consultant, Vito Quaglia, Elementary Principal of Primary Center/Kindergarten Center, Jon Pollard, Secondary Center Building Principal, Cathy Ranieli, Secondary Center Assistant Principal, David Pacchioni, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Christine Rosenkrans, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Angelo Falzone, Director of Transportation/Attendance, Emily Uritz and Genevieve Federici, Student Representatives.

Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit's regular meeting minutes of November 16, 2016.
2. Jennifer Vogel, Intermediate Center PTO, requesting permission for use of the football stadium for Fun Day.
3. Robert Ostrowski, Custodian at Primary Center, requesting permission to take a medical leave of absence with intent to retire April 15, 2017.
4. Michelle Klapproth, Presidents of the Wyoming Area Drama Parents Association, to hold a food/beer pairing dinner and raffle fundraiser.
5. Shea Riley, Band Teacher, requesting permission to attend the PMEA District 9 Band at Valley View High School along with eight students.
6. Lisa Woodruff, President of the Intermediate Center PTO, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center gym for a Harlem Wizards Basketball Game.
7. Paul and Lisa Minnelli and Jerry and Sandy Walkowiak, Parents, thanking the board for funding the 2016 International Thespian Festival and requesting financial assistance once again for two students to participate in the 2017 International Thespian Festival at University of Nebraska in Lincoln, Nebraska.

8. Katie Vanness, Elementary Teacher, requesting permission to take a maternity leave of absence.
9. Juel Anne Klepadlo and Lisa Day, FBLA Advisors, requesting permission to attend the FBLA Leadership Conference along with twelve students.
10. Jeanne Wisnewski, Intermediate Center PTO, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center auditorium for a Talent Show.
11. The Wyoming Area Drama Club Thespian Officers thanking the school board for the monetary contribution to attend the Pennsylvania State Thespian Conference.
12. Juel Anne Klepadlo, Key Club Advisor, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center auditorium for talent show/art show.
13. Juel Anne Klepadlo, Key Club Advisor, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for Doctor Seuss Night.
14. Narda Sperrazza, Choral Teacher, requesting permission to attend the Region Chorus, along with a student to Hughesville High School.
15. Rita Mauriello, Carol Tabit, Carolyn Flickinger and Linda McDermott, requesting permission to attend the 2017 Pennsylvania /Title I Improving Schools Performance Conference in Pittsburgh.

Summary of Applications Received

Special Education Aide – 6
History – 1
Special Education PK-8 – 1
Elementary – 1
Cleaners - 5

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Gober-Mangan asked for approval of the minutes of regular meeting December 20, 2016.

All board members voted aye.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

1. January is School Director Recognition Month honoring those who volunteer their time and talents for the betterment of public education in our community.
2. The Board of Directors recently approved a \$500 grant from the 1st Lt. Jeffrey F. DePrimo Memorial Fund of the Luzerne Foundation to WA School District designated for the 3rd grade class trip to the 2016 Northeast Philharmonic's Young People's Concert.

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- Vanessa Nee, Special Education Director, initiated the Achieve3000 program this year with much success. From all the classes in our school who completed Achieve3000 lessons over the contest period, the class in our school that won the Read to Success contest is grade 8 class named Hulme Reading 8. Achieve3000 has awarded the teacher with a gift card to use for a celebration of our students' choice. Congratulations to Mrs. Hulme and her Hulme Reading 8 class!

Student Representative's Report

Emily Uritz read her report.

The swim season is in full swing. Indoor Percussion is practicing away. Girls basketball beat Dallas last night. They currently have a winning record. Boys basketball was 12-2. History Bowl is this weekend, Key Club talent show is February 18th. LEAP Keeping up with paper recycling. They are currently waiting to hear back from maintenance on plastic and are starting a bat box project and plan to involve the elementary schools. The Drama Club is in rehearsal for their spring musical, The Addams Family.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Treasurer's Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	10,841,638.29
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,226.38
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	56,547.03
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	133,619.17
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	15,336.67
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	Earned Income Tax Revenue	311,401.45

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

Finance Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Finance Report.

- Received the following checks:

<u>Berkheimer</u>	
Earned Income Tax	30,315.43
Local Service Tax	294.69
Per Capita Tax	1,290.40
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>828.09</u>
Total:	32,728.61

State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Retirement	472,220.78
Title I-Improving Basic Programs	155,657.68
Title II – Improving Teacher Quality	15,437.84
Basic Education Funding	1,102,195.15
Ready to Learn Block Grant	357,527.00
School District Transportation	494,971.00
Non Public Transportation	<u>33,110.00</u>
Total:	2,631,119.45

Delinquent Real Estate Tax

Wyoming County	4,831.60
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2016 Real Estate Taxes

Ann Marie Farley – Exeter Twp., Wyoming County	35,861.07
George Miller – West Pittston Borough	104,277.51
Paul Konopka – Wyoming Borough	57,213.99
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough	67,332.89
Thomas Polacheck – Exeter Borough	87,241.06
Wayman Smith – Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	<u>74,283.97</u>
Total:	426,210.49

Luzerne Intermediate Unit

Reimbursement for Race to the Top	13,035.17
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Miscellaneous

District Court 11-2-01	70.22
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Local Realty Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	22,514.33
Wyoming County	<u>1,063.30</u>
Total:	23,577.63

In Lieu of Taxes

Luzerne County Housing Authority	10,383.60
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2. Approve the January 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 January payment of \$43,077.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2016-2017 school year.
4. Approve the refund of paid property taxes for the 2016 year to #67-E10SE3-006-036-000 in the amount of \$86.25.
5. Approve the appointment of Dehey McAndrew to provide continued professional services including consulting and support services for benefit plan entitled IRC Section 125, at a cost of \$5,250.00 for the 2017-2018 year. Services include all administration, plan documentation and IRS filings. The cost quoted is the same as services provided for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years.

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6. Approve the appointment of Dehey McAndrew to provide continued professional services related to the administration common remitted and compliance aspects of the district’s 403(b) Salary Reduction Agreement Plan. These services will help ensure compliance with the Internal Revenue Service and the United States Department of Labor regulation and are for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. The cost quoted is the same as services provided for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years.

The fee for these services are as follows:

Professional Fixed Annual Fee 4,175.00
 Monthly fee of \$1.59 per contributor per payroll period

7. Approve the appointment of Dehey McAndrew to provide continued professional services related to the administration of IRC 403(b) Post Severance Plan. These services will help ensure compliance with the Internal Revenue Service and the United States Department of Labor regulation and are for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. The cost quoted is the same as services provided for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years.

The fee for these services are as follows:

Professional Fixed Annual Fee 2,475.00
 Variable fee of \$9.75 per associated retiree per year

8. Approve the 2017-2018 General Operating Budget of the Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18.
9. Approve the refund of paid property taxes for the 2016 year for #16-E10-00A-05B in the amount of \$88.01.
10. Approve to ratify the agreement between the Wyoming Area School District and UGI Energy Services LLC (“UGIES”) for the 36 month period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019 for securing the purchase of electricity.
11. Approve to ratify the agreement between the Wyoming Area School District and UGI Energy Services LLC (“UGIES”) for the 36 month period of February 2017 to January 2020 for securing the purchase of natural gas.
12. Approve the Title I Programs-Interdistrict Agreement with Wilkes-Barre Area School District for the 2016-2017 school year.

13. Approve the General Ledger Sheet:

Bill Listing: January 2017	642,699.98	
Prepays: December 2016	<u>127,730.61</u>	770,430.59
Cafeteria Account:	94,871.23	
Athletic Account:	<u>3,271.05</u>	<u>98,142.28</u>
		Total: 868,572.87

Added Item from the floor:

14. Recommend approval to adopt a resolution indicating that the Board of School Directors will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of public schools for the fiscal year 2017-2018 by more than its index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

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

Mr. Thomas Melone spoke about the index.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted 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.

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.
3. Approve the request of Katie Vanness, Elementary Teacher, to take a maternity leave of absence on or about March 3, 2017 with an anticipated return date at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year.
4. Approve the appointment of Julie Matosky as a long term substitute for Jennifer Judge until January 9, 2018.
5. Approve the request of Rita Mauriello, Carol Tabit, Carolyn Flickinger and Linda McDermott, to attend the 2017 Pennsylvania /Title I Improving Schools Performance Conference in Pittsburgh, Monday, January 30, 2017 to Wednesday, February 1, 2017, with a cost not to exceed \$2,260.00. Cost to come out of Title I funds.

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

On the Question: George Race of Exeter questioned item #4. What happens when the teacher comes back. Mrs. Serino responded that she will go back onto the sub list.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted 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. Gober-Mangan read the Activities Report for Mrs. Farrell.

1. Approve the following assistant coaches and volunteers for the 2016-2017 winter and spring sports season:

Winter Track

Ken Stack

Volunteer

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Swimming

Karlie Klocko	Volunteer	
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Baseball

Louis Falzone	Assistant	2,508.00
Jim Manganiello	Jr. High	2,230.00
Chris Murphy	7/8 Grades	2,230.00
Joe Bellino	Volunteer	
Sean Gallagher	Volunteer	
Angelo Falzone	Volunteer	

Boys Tennis

Aaron Carter	Volunteer	
Joseph Skrip	Volunteer	

Track & Field

Mike Fanti	Assistant	2,508.00
Ken Stackhouse	Assistant	2,508.00
Courtney Thomas	Assistant	2,508.00
Victoria Blazick	Assistant Jr. High	2,230.00
Randy Spencer	Assistant Jr. High	2,230.00
Dave Ruggles	Volunteer	
Ashley Aritz	Volunteer	

Softball

Dean Carey	Assistant	2,508.00
Ryan Carey	Jr. High	2,230.00
Frank Parente	Volunteer	
Ted Kross	Volunteer	

Boys Lacrosse

Rob Switzer	Volunteer	
Matthew Rerig	Volunteer	
Connor Flynn	Volunteer	

Girls Lacrosse

Marie (Ree Ree) DeLuca	Volunteer	
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2. Approve the request of Michelle Klapproth, President of the Wyoming Area Drama Parents Association, to hold a food/beer pairing dinner and raffle fundraiser at Gober's Deco Lounge on Saturday, April 29, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (This is for adults only)
3. Approve the request of Shea Riley, Band Teacher, for permission to attend the PMEA District 9 Band at Valley View High School along with eight students from Thursday, February 9th to Saturday, February 11, 2017. Cost of registration is \$1,040.00. The school van is requested for transportation. Mrs. Riley is also requesting comp time and mileage reimbursement.
4. Approve the request of Paul and Lisa Minnelli and Jerry and Sandy Walkowiak, Parents, for financial assistance for two students to participate in the 2017 International Thespian Festival at University of Nebraska in Lincoln, Nebraska, Monday, June 19th to Sunday, June 25, 2017, not to exceed \$3,000.00.
5. Approve the request of Juel Anne Klepadlo and Lisa Day, FBLA Advisors, to attend the FBLA State Leadership Conference, along with twelve students, in Hershey, Monday, April 3rd to Wednesday, April 5, 2017, with a total cost of \$5,984.00 for lodging and registration.

6. Approve the request of Narda Sperrazza, Choral Teacher, to attend the Region Chorus, along with a student to Hughesville High School, Wednesday, February 22nd to Friday, February 24, 2017 at a total cost of \$426.72 for lodging and registration. The school van is requested to transport student. Ms. Sperrazza will use her own vehicle.

Motion by Mrs. Gober-Mangan, second by Jerry Stofko, to accept the activities report.

ON the Question: The board was concerned regarding item #4 with parents asking for financial assistance for their children to attend the Thespian Festival.

At this time, a motion was made to table item #4 until more information was given.

Motion by Mr. Yorina, second by Mrs. Yochem to table item #4.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted 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 to table item #4.

Roll Call for Activities Report:

Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem abstained on item #1 and voted yes on the remaining report. Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan abstained on item #2 and voted yes on remaining report. Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

1. Approve the request of Jennifer Vogel, Intermediate Center PTO, for use of the football stadium (announcers booth, Key Club stand, Parent Spirit Stand, garage and restrooms) for Fun Day on Friday, June 9, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
2. Approve the revised support personnel substitute list for the 2016-2017 school year.
3. Approve the request of Robert Ostrowski, Full-Time Custodian at Primary Center, to take a medical leave of absence retroactive to January 3, 2017 through April 14, 2017, with the intent to retire on April 15, 2017.
4. Approve the request of Lisa Woodruff, President of the Intermediate Center PTO, to use the Secondary Center gym for a Harlem Wizards Basketball Game on Saturday, April 22, 2017, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
5. Approve the request of Jeanne Wisnewski, Intermediate Center PTO, to use the Secondary Center auditorium, piano and sound system for a Talent Show to be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., with rehearsal on Monday, March 27, 2017, from 4:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal. (Class A)
6. Approve the request of Juel Anne Klepadlo, Key Club Advisor, to use the Secondary Center auditorium for a talent show/art show on Saturday, February 18, 2017, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a snow date on February 19th, pending approval by the building principal. (Class A)

7. Approve the request of Juel Anne Klepadlo, Key Club Advisor, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for Doctor Seuss Night on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and cafeteria director. (Class A)
8. Approve the appointment of Sharon Mazzeo as a special education aide.
9. Approve the appointment of Samantha Vacula as a special education aide.
10. Approve the appointment of Toni Jo Granteed as a special education aide.
11. Approve the appointment of Edward Collins as a part-time cleaner.

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

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted 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.

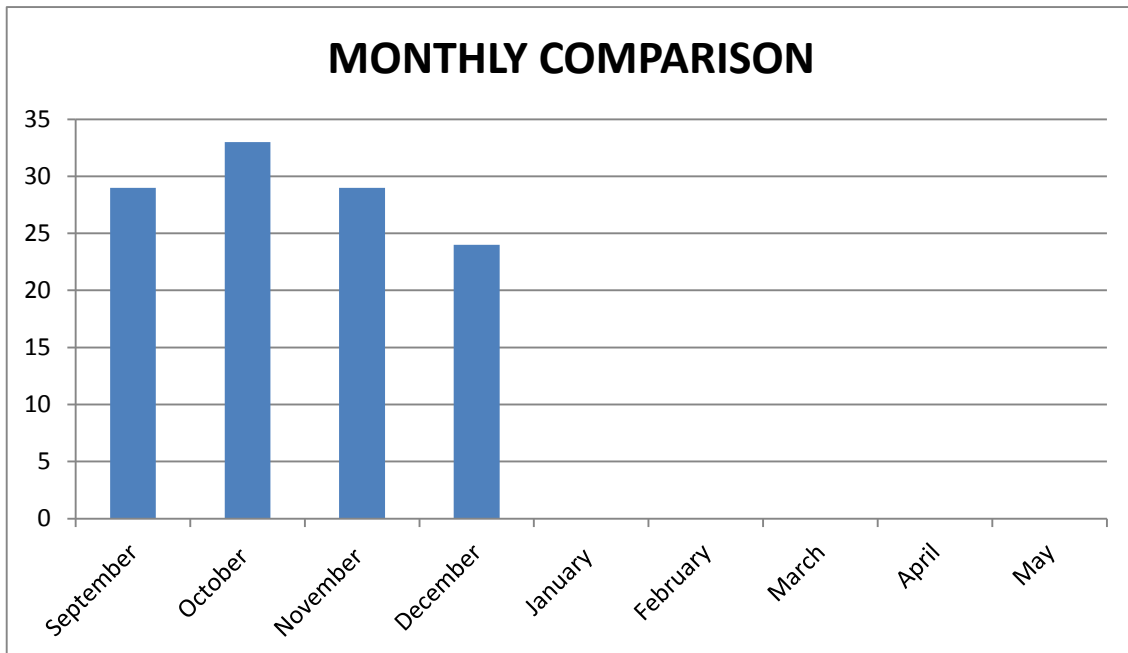
Police Report

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

0002 – Transport	1	
0690 – Theft – Reports	1	
2400 – Disorderly Conduct	2	
2664 – All Other Offenses - All Other (Misc.)	2	
2690 – All Other Offenses - Reports	4	
3610 – Disturbances – Juvenile	1	
3870 – Medical Emergency	1	
4090 – Non-Criminal - Reports	3	
7502 – Assist Other Agencies – Fire Dept.	1	
TRUA- Compulsory School Attendance	7	
JUV - Juvenile Petition Filed	1	
Total	24	

Monthly Comparison

<u>November Calls for Service</u>	<u>December Calls for Service</u>	<u>Plus/Minus Comparison</u>
29	24	-5



Open Discussion:

- Shooter Training
- SJD Property
- Bring back boys volleyball

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mr. Bolin.

Elizabeth Gober-Mangan, President

John Marianacci, Secretary