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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, July 23, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

A combined work session/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 five people in attendance. A non-public executive session preceded the meeting. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Deanna Farrell, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

Roll Call: Mrs. Deanna Farrell, President
 Mrs. Kimberly Yochem, Vice President
 Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary
 Mr. Carmen Bolin, Treasurer
 Dr. Estelle Campenni
 Mr. Nicholas DeAngelo
 Mr. Gerald Stofko
 Mrs. Toni Valenti

Absent: Mrs. Elizabeth Gober-Mangan

Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, Thomas Melone, Business Consultant, Joe Long, Building Principal of Intermediate Center, Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum, Dave Pacchioni, Building Principal of Primary Center, Jo Ann Pepsin, Assistant Director of Special Education and Building Principal of Kindergarten Center, Camilla Granteed, School Psychologist, Melissa Collevecchio, Food Service Director, Frank Pugliese, Facilities Director.

Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit submitting their minutes of regular meeting of May 22, 2019.
2. Charles Thomas, Secretary, Valley Lodge #499, requesting permission to sponsor a car show at the Intermediate Center parking lot.
3. Anthony Macario, requesting permission to hold a boys elementary basketball camp in the Secondary Center gym.
4. Nicole Gashi, Wyoming Area Football Parents Association, requesting permission to have a Player Dinner in the Secondary Center gym lobby.
5. Colleen Matthey requesting permission, on behalf of the Class of 1969, to tour the Intermediate Center for their 50th reunion,
6. Jennifer Vacula, Guidance Counselor, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for a College Fair.
7. Pittston Tomato Festival Committee requesting the district's participation in the Tomato Festival parade Saturday, August 17, 2019, 10:30 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Farrell asked for approval of the minutes of June 25, 2019. All board members present voted aye.

Solicitor's Report

Attorney Ferentino reported personnel issues, litigation for special education were discussed. A negotiation meeting was held at 5:00 p.m.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Bolin read the Treasurer's Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	4,247,081.87
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,732.86
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	54,932.23
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	115,299.35
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	2,726.44
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
First National Government Investment Trust	Earned Income Tax Revenue	322,146.60
First National	Series 2018 GON Account	174,418.65

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

Finance Report

Mr. Bolin read the Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

Berkheimer Tax Administrator

Earned Income Tax	55,287.86
Local Service Tax	917.21
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>1,702.82</u>
Total:	57,907.89

State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Retirement	638,998.24
Title I — Improving Basic Programs	41,295.57
Title II — Improving Teacher Quality	6,402.82
Section 1305 & 1306	52,389.69
IU Inst Children's Program 2017-18	(929.60)
School District Transportation	77,208.33
Non Public Transportation	<u>34,650.00</u>
Total:	850,015.05

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Local Realty Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	13,929.69
Wyoming County	<u>583.10</u>
	Total: 14,512.79

2. Approve the July payment of \$101,008.42 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract for special education services and other related services for the 2019-2020 school year.
3. Approve the July payment of \$52,153.30 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2019-2020 school year.
4. Approve the August 15, 2019 payment to Wilmington Trust in the amount of \$202,750.00 for the general obligation bond series 2012 (energy performance loan) of the Wyoming Area School District.
5. Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for contracted services between the Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 and Wyoming Area School District for the 2019-2020 school year at a total cost of \$1,212,100.98.
6. Approve the payment of \$37, 931.75 to Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 for ESL instructional hours for March through June:

March (total of 19.75 hours utilizing option 1 at \$71.00) =	1,402.25
March (total of 117 hours utilizing option 2 at \$86.00) =	10,062.00
April (total of 25.5 hours utilizing option 1 at \$71.00) =	1,810.50
April (total of 89.75 hours utilizing option 2 at \$86.00)=	7,718.50
May/June (total of 37.5 hours utilizing option 1 at \$71.00)=	2,662.50
May/June (total of 166 hours utilizing option 2 at \$86.00)=	<u>14,276.00</u>
Total:	37,931.75

7. Approve the payment of \$16,846.50 (app#8) to CM3 Building Solutions, Inc., for general construction.
8. Ratify approval to adopt the attached resolution amending property tax collection dates and installment dates as required for Luzerne County. It should be noted that property tax collection dates and installment dates as approved in June will remain the same for Wyoming County.

Whereas, Act 1 of the Special Session of 2006 requires school districts no later than June 30, 2019 to adopt a resolution for calendar year 2019 and each year thereafter authorizing the collection and payment of school real property taxes in installments, excluding any interim or delinquent school real property taxes.

Now, therefore be it resolved, that taxpayers approved pursuant to Section 341 of Act 1 of the Special Session of 2006 shall be eligible for participation in the installment payment of school property taxes.

The following are excluded from real estate installments payments: interim school property taxes, delinquent school property taxpayers, and all other taxpayers except eligible homestead/farmstead property owners and small business owner property as mandated by 53 P.S. §6926.1502 and that qualifies as small business owner property.

And be it further resolved, that the tax duplicates shall provide for payment of school real property taxes in a single payment or installments at the option of eligible taxpayers as follows:

a. Full Payment- Full payment of the real estate tax shall be due and payable by the close of business on December 2, 2019 with a two percent (2%) discount provided for full payment prior to October 2, 2019. All taxpayers, except as indicated below, who fail to make payment of the tax in full by December 31, 2019 by the close of business shall be charged a penalty of ten percent (10%), which penalty shall be added to the tax by the tax collector and collected by the tax collector. The school real property taxes shall become due and payable and be collected as provided in the act of May 25, 1945 (PL. 1050 No. 394), known as the Local Tax Collection Law, subject to the discounts and penalties provided by that act unless

b. Installment Payments — Installment payment of taxes shall be due in three (3) equal payments on the following due dates: September 4, 2019, October 30, 2019, and December 2, 2019. The payment of the first installment by a taxpayer eligible for installment payments shall conclusively evidence an intention to pay school real property taxes in installments.

Those eligible taxpayers electing to pay in installment payments must pay the face amount of the school real property tax bill. No discount shall be offered for installment payments. If an installment payment is made after installment date, then a ten percent (10%) penalty shall be assessed on the amount of the installment payment due. Two or more late payments of ten days, or more will render the taxpayer ineligible to participate in installment payments for the following school fiscal year.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that in the event that a taxpayer fails to evidence an intention to pay school real property taxes in installments, those taxes shall become due and payable and be collected as provided by the Local Tax Collection Law (P.L. 1050, No. 394) and subject to the discounts and penalties provided in that act and the Taxpayer Relief Act of 2006.

- Tax bills not paid in full by December 31, 2019, will be turned over to Luzerne County Tax Claim Bureau for residents of Luzerne County and Wyoming County Tax Claim Bureau for residents of Wyoming County on or before the date established by the county in which the school district is located for the turnover of delinquent taxes pursuant to the act of July 7, 1947 (PL. 1368, No. 542), known as the Real Estate Tax Sale Law.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that the Board hereby directs the collection of installment payment of real estate taxes to be made to Wyoming Area Tax Collector in accordance with rules and regulations that the Board may now or hereafter implement who shall set forth on all notices regarding the payment of school real property taxes in installments and the dates on which such payments are due be set property owners forth on the tax notice sent to approved homestead and farmstead.

9. Approve the agreement between the Luzerne Intermediate Unit and Wyoming Area School District for summer speech & language pathologist at an hourly rate of \$57.74. This agreement is for the 2019 summer.

10. Approve the general ledger account:

Bill Listing: July 2019	704,594.63	
Prepays: June 2019	<u>43,757.82</u>	748,352.45
Cafeteria Account:	42,641.12	
Athletic Account:	<u>111.00</u>	<u>42,752.12</u>
	Total:	791,104.57

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

On the question: George Race topics discussed: negotiations, retirement, Luzerne Intermediate Unit, general construction of CM3 Building Solutions.

Roll Call: Mr. DeAngelo voted yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Education Report

Mrs. Farrell read the Education Report in the absence of Mrs. Gober-Mangan.

1. Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirement that the District's Federal Programs (Title I, Title II, and Drugs and Alcohol) are currently being planned for the 2019-2020 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, Superintendent, at the District's Business Office.
2. Approve the appointment of Rita Mauriello as Title I Coordinator at a stipend of \$6,000.00 for the 2019-2020 school year.
3. Approve the appointment of Ira Barth as special education teacher.
4. Approve the appointment of Ashley Evans as special education teacher.
5. Approve the appointment of Jeanine Manta as special education teacher.
6. Approve the appointment of Breanne Finagan as social worker.
7. Approve the appointment of Shaun Rohland as assistant principal of discipline.
8. Approve the transfer of Molly McKenna from 5th grade elementary teacher to 4th grade elementary teacher. (This item revised to read 6th to 4th grade)
9. Approve the transfer of Sarah Loughnane from special education teacher to math teacher at the Secondary Center.
10. Approve the appointment of Danielle Rozelle as special education teacher.

Motion by Mrs. Farrell, second by Dr. Campenni, to accept the education report.

At this time, Dr. Campenni motioned to amend #8 to read: Approve the transfer of Molly McKenna from 6th grade elementary teacher to 4th grade elementary teacher. Second by Mrs. Valenti.

Roll Call: Mr. DeAngelo voted yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed to amend item #8.

Roll Call for Finance Report: Mr. DeAngelo voted yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin abstained on item #2 and voted yes on the remaining report. Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed to accept the finance report.

Activities Report

Mr. DeAngelo read the Activities Report.

1. Approve the appointment of John Bonin as assistant girls volleyball coach at a salary of \$1,474.00 for the 2019-2020 Fall sports season.
2. Approve the appointment of Stephen Pizzano as volunteer coach for girls tennis for the 2019-2020 Fall sports season.

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

Roll Call: Mr. DeAngelo voted yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

1. Approve the request of Nicole Gashi, Wyoming Area Football Parents Association, to hold a Player Dinner in the Secondary Center gym lobby on Thursday, August 29, 2019, 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
2. Approve the request of Anthony Macario to use the Secondary Center gym for an Elementary Basketball Camp on Monday, September 16th to Thursday, September 19, 2019, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
3. Approve the request of Jennifer Ciampi, Guidance Counselor, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for a College Fair on Wednesday, October 23, 2019, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director. (Class A)
4. Approve the request of Colleen Matthey, on behalf of the Wyoming Area Class of 1969, to tour the Intermediate Center gym, library and cafeteria for their 50th reunion on Saturday, August 31, 2019, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal. (Class E)

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5. Approve the request of Charles Thomas, Secretary, Valley Lodge #499 F&AM in West Pittston, to use the Intermediate Center parking lot for a car show to fundraise for various programs as well as a scholarship award to a Wyoming Area 2020 graduate, Saturday, September 7, 2019, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., (rain date Saturday, September 14th) pending approval by the building principal. (Class C)
6. Approve the appointment of Jessica Sands as hall monitor.
7. Approve the appointment of Angelo Bufalino as paraprofessional aide.
8. Approve the appointment of Nicole Frisia as paraprofessional aide.
9. Approve the appointment of Linda Kapsick as paraprofessional aide.
10. Approve the appointment of Anna Newton as paraprofessional aide.
11. Approve the appointment of Melanie Seltzer as school nurse.
12. Approve the appointment of Sam Scarantino of Quad 3 Group, Inc. for roofing of the Secondary Center and Primary Center at \$28,500.00, upon final approval by the school solicitor.

Motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the Building Report.

Roll Call: Mr. DeAngelo voted yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

There was no open discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Farrell, second by Mr. Marianacci.

Deanna Farrell, President

John Marianacci, Secretary