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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, January 23, 2018, 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 ten 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 7:08 p.m.

Roll Call: Mrs. Elizabeth Gober-Mangan, President
 Mrs. Deanna Farrell, Vice President
 Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary
 Mrs. Kimberly Yochem, Treasurer
 Mr. Carmen Bolin
 Dr. Estelle Campenni
 Mr. Nicholas DeAngelo
 Mr. Carl Yorina

Absent: Mrs. Toni Valenti

Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, School Solicitor, Thomas Melone, Business Consultant, Jon Pollard, Secondary Center Principal, Cathy Ranieli, Assistant Secondary Center Principal, David Pacchioni, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Joseph Long, Elementary Principal of Intermediate Center, Vito Quaglia, Elementary Principal of Primary Center/Kindergarten Center, Camilla Granteed, School Psychologist, Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Jeremy Harman, Student Representative, Mr. Shannon Klein of CM3 Building Solutions, Inc.

Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

1. The Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 submitting the minutes from regular meeting of November 22, 2017.
2. Rita Mauriello, Carol Tabit, Carolyn Flickinger and Linda McDermott, requesting permission to attend the 2018 Pennsylvania/Title I Improving Schools Performance Conference in Pittsburgh.
3. Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum, requesting permission to attend the 2018 Pennsylvania/Title I Improving Schools Performance Conference in Pittsburgh.
4. Juel Ann Klepadlo, Key Club Advisor, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center multipurpose room for a blood drive.
5. William Anzalone, Esq., Anzalone Law Offices, requesting permission to use the stadium for UNICO All-Star Charitable Football Game.
6. Shea Riley, Band Teacher, requesting permission to attend the PMEA District 9 Orchestra, along with one student to be held at Western Wayne High School.
7. Rosella Fedor, Chairperson for 2018 Scholarship Celebration, requesting permission to use the Secondary cafeteria and gym for the Scholarship Celebration.

8. Charles Yarmey, Drama Advisor, requesting permission for the Wyoming Area Drama Club to hold a cabaret fundraiser in the Secondary Center cafeteria.
9. Carla DePrimo, Special Education Aide, requesting permission to take an unpaid leave of absence.
10. Ron Gitkos, American Legion Post 542, 1st Lt. Jeffrey F. DePrimo, of West Pittston, along with the American Legion, Post 833, Adam Kalmanowicz, of Exeter, inviting the school board to participate in the annual Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 28, 2018.
11. Andrea Horton, Learning Support Aide, submitting a letter of resignation.
12. Jennifer Woss requesting permission to rent the Secondary Center auditorium for the Emerald Isle Step Dancers Show.

Summary of Applications Received

Special Education 18
Cafeteria – 1
Paraprofessional - 1

Approval of Minutes

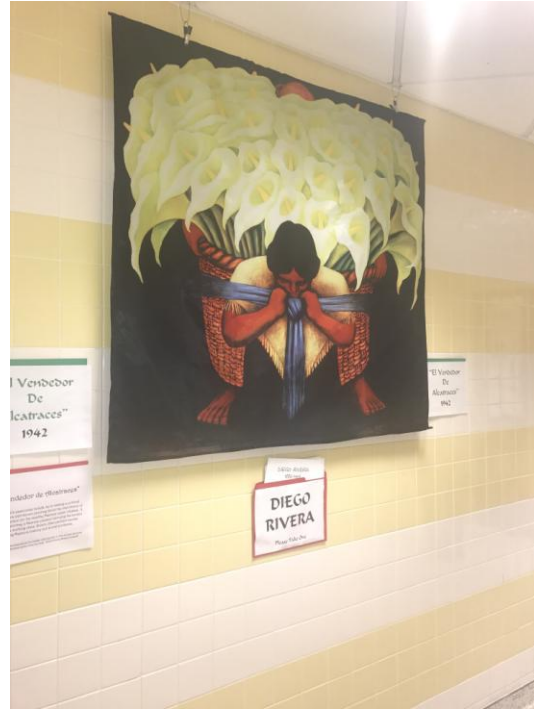
Mrs. Gober-Mangan asked for approval of minutes of regular meeting of December 12, 2017. All board members voted aye.

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 Wyoming Area Spanish III Class sponsored a Traveling Art Exhibit showcasing muralist, Diego Rivera. Considered the greatest Mexican painter of the 20th century, Rivera was one of the most charismatic, controversial and creative artists to emerge from that time. Three satin paneled-reproductions of Rivera's work was displayed in the Foreign Language Hallway of the Secondary Center.





3. On February 5th, Christine Jensen from PA Career Link will be in the secondary center to do presentations on High Priority Occupations in NEPA. Ms. Jensen will present several times throughout the day to allow parents and students to attend at their convenience. In addition, Lackawanna College has committed to be on site that day as well to discuss their educational opportunities for students. Other local colleges/universities have been invited as well.
4. Miss Sperrazza, music teacher at the Primary Center, was recently notified that she received a \$500.00 grant from Luzerne Foundation to be used for the third grade students' trip to the Northeastern PA Philharmonic's Young People's Concert, scheduled in May of 2018. Miss Sperrazza has applied for this grant the last two years to help defray the cost of this educational field trip. The grant is given in memory of 1st Lt. Jeffrey F. DePrimo.
5. Thank you to Pride Mobility Products for recently making a \$1000 donation toward our tennis courts.

Mrs. Serino stated that a grant has been submitted for the tennis courts and she was waiting to hear back.

6. One of our senior students, Amber Rought was recently featured in a local magazine, "Happenings". The article is about her photography business and her future endeavors. Here is a hyperlink to the website:
https://issuu.com/HappeningsMagazinePA/docs/jan_18_issuu
 Congratulations Amber!!

Mrs. Serino acknowledged Carlee Foersch of West Side Career & Technology Center, as "Titan of the Month". Miss Foersch is a 12th grade cosmetology student. Miss Foersch also volunteers throughout the school and is a senior class officer.

Student Representative's Report

Jeremy Harman read his report.

A Blood Drive of the Key Club will be held on January 25th. Students 16+ that meet the criteria are welcome to participate.

A Spring Fling will be held on February 10th that will benefit the junior/senior prom, cap and gown fitting TBD, Drama Club hosting “Cabaret for Kicks” on February 17th. Proceeds to go towards footwear for their show, Drama Club will present “The Little Mermaid” April 27, 28th and 29th, Spring sports are starting and the Journalism Club is looking to have an informative trip on April 20th.

Treasurer’s Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Treasurer’s Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	11,298,989.97
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,382.91
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	(10,720.55)
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	150,230.78
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	10,306.19
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	Earned Income Tax Revenue	313,499.03

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

At this time, Mr. Tom Melone gave a presentation on the budget.

Dr. Campenni stated that Senators should be invited to the board meetings and the board should have a town meeting. Mr. Yorina stated that even if the index is raised, we are still in the hole. It’s all about re-election. If we shut the lights off we will see how quick we get our money.

Finance Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

<u>Berkheimer</u>	
Earned Income Tax	31,540.77
Per Capita Tax	1,129.00
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>4,166.71</u>
Total:	36,836.48

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State & Federal Subsidy Payments

Retirement	519,711.00
Title I – Improving Basic Programs	42,327.36
Title II – Improving Teacher Quality	6,467.21
Title IV- Student Support & Academic Enrichment	956.43
PlanCon Bond Projects	63,305.47
Basic Education Funding	1,159,210.00
IU Contributions 17-18	(41,877.24)
School District Transportation	287,353.00
Non Public Transportation	<u>33,110.00</u>
Total:	2,070,563.23

2017 Real Estate Taxes

Paul Konopka – Wyoming Borough	75,487.34
George Miller – West Pittston Borough	92,004.29
Wayman Smith – Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	84,056.16
Robert Connors - West Wyoming Borough	67,195.48
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough (supplemental)	160.81
Ann Marie Farley – Exeter Twp., Wyoming County	35,514.15
Thomas Pizano – Exeter Borough	<u>151,771.65</u>
Total:	506,189.88

Local Realty Transfer Tax

Luzerne County	15,664.37
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2. Approve the January payment of \$133,754.15 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract for programs and services for the 2017-2018 school year.
3. Approve the January payment of \$47,049.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2017-2018 school year.
4. Approve the refunds for paid property taxes for the year 2017:

66-E10SE1-018-010-000	795.78
16-E11NW1-01A-020-000	78.08
16-E11NW1-01A-021-000	78.08
66-E10SE1-015-038-000	87.59

5. Approve the 2018-2019 General Operating Budget of the Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18.
6. 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, 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years.
7. 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, 2018 through December 31, 2018. The cost quoted is the same as services provided for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 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

8. 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, 2018 through December 31, 2018. The cost quoted is the same as services provided for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 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

9. Approve 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 2018-2019 by more than its index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

10. Approve the February 15, 2018 payment to Wilmington Trust in the amount of \$4,212.50 for the General Obligation Bond Series of 2012 (energy performance loan) of the Wyoming Area School District.

11. Approve the general ledger sheet:

Bill Listing: January 2018	921,909.03	
Prepays: December 2017	<u>40,119.95</u>	962,028.98
Cafeteria Account:	75,355.18	
Athletic Account:	<u>3,812.00</u>	<u>79,167.18</u>
	Total: 1,041,196.16	

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

On the Question: George Race of Exeter asked the amount of the grant submitted for the tennis grant. Mrs. Serino responded \$200,000.00. If we don't get the grant, we won't be doing the tennis courts. Mr. Race questioned under the state & federal subsidy payments a minus \$41,877.24. Mr. Melone responded the negative amount represents the amount reduced from our subsidy payment that is due to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit.

Item #9 Mr. Race questioned pensions. Mr. Melone responded the increase in the pension rates from one year to the next did not qualify for an exception application because the amount was less than the index parameters.

Mr. Race questioned increase for healthcare. Mr. Melone responded as of now it's approximately 6.8%. Mr. Race asked when negotiations will take place for teachers. Attorney Ferentino responded within ten to six months before expiration for the preliminary discussions. Mr. Race hoped that the board will keep in mind what they just talked about when it comes time for negotiations. 70% of the pie is what you vote to give away. Mrs. Gober-Mangan stated that the teachers took a freeze the last contract.

Roll Call: Mr. DeAngelo left the meeting early to attend a viewing. Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Yorina voted no on item #9 and yes on remaining report. Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes. Motion passed.

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Education Report

Mr. Yorina read the Education Report.

1. Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirement that the District's Federal Programs (Title I, Title II, and Drugs and Alcohol) have been planned for the 2017-2018 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, Superintendent, at the District's Business Office.
2. Approve the request of Rita Mauriello, Carol Tabit, Carolyn Flickinger and Linda McDermott, to attend the 2018 Pennsylvania/Title I Improving Schools Performance Conference in Pittsburgh, Sunday, January 28th to Wednesday, January 31, 2018. Cost to come out of Title I funds.
3. Approve the request of Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum, to attend the 2018 Pennsylvania/Title I Improving Schools Performance Conference in Pittsburgh, Sunday, January 28th to Wednesday, January 31, 2018. Cost to come out of Title II funds.
4. Approve the appointment of Megan Donaldson as Special Education Teacher.

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

On the Question: Mr. Yorina stated that the teachers in item#2 and item #3 should come to the board meeting and report on the conference. Mr. Race questioned item #2 and item #3. Mrs. Serino responded that the teachers are required to go to this conference and it is approximately \$800 per person.

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

Motion passed.

Activities Report

Mrs. Farrell read the Activities Report.

1. Approve the appointment of the following assistant coaches and volunteers for the 2018 spring sports season:

Boys Lacrosse

Rob Switzer – Volunteer Coach
Connor Flynn – Volunteer Coach

Softball

Dean Carey – Asst. Coach	2,571.00
Ryan Carey – Jr. High Coach	2,286.00
Matthew Carroll – Asst. Jr. High Coach	2,286.00
Frank Parente- Volunteer Coach	
Ted Kross – Volunteer Coach	
Hal Glatz – Volunteer Coach	

Boys Tennis

Aaron Carter - Volunteer Coach
Joe Skrip – Volunteer Coach

2. Approve the request of Shea Riley, Band Teacher, to attend the PMEA District 9 Orchestra, along with one student to be held at Western Wayne High School, Thursday, February 8th to Saturday, February 10, 2018, at a cost of \$148.00 for registration. Transportation may be needed.
3. Approve the appointment of Sheri Slusser as a volunteer coach for the 2017-2018 elementary basketball sports season.

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

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

Building Report

Mr. Yorina read the Building Report.

1. Approve the request of Juel Ann Klepadlo, Key Club Advisor, to use the Secondary Center multipurpose room for a blood drive on Thursday, January 25, 2018, 7:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
2. Approve the revised support personnel substitute list for the 2017-2018 school year.
3. Approve William Anzalone, Esq., Anzalone Law Offices, requesting permission to use the stadium for UNICO All-Star Charitable Football Game on Friday, June 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class C)
4. Approve the request of Rosella Fedor, Chairperson for 2018 Scholarship Celebration, to use the Secondary cafeteria and gym for the Scholarship Celebration on Thursday, May 24, 2018, at 5:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
5. Approve the request of Carla DePrimo, Special Education Aide, to take an unpaid leave of absence beginning Wednesday, February 14th through Wednesday, February 28, 2018.
6. Approve the request of Charles Yarmey, Drama Advisor, for the Wyoming Area Drama Club to hold a cabaret fundraiser in the Secondary Center cafeteria on Saturday, February 17, 2018, 5:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director. (Class A)
7. Accept, with regret, Andrea Horton's letter of resignation as Learning Support Aide at the Primary Center effective February 1, 2018.
8. Approve the request of Jennifer Woss to rent the Secondary Center auditorium at \$100.00 for the Emerald Isle Step Dancers Show on Saturday, April 21, 2018, at 5:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal. (Class C)

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

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

Policy Report

Mr. Bolin read the Policy Report.

1. Approve the first reading of revised policy manual section #600 Finances.
2. Approve the first reading of addendum to policy #815 Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources.

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

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

Motion passed.

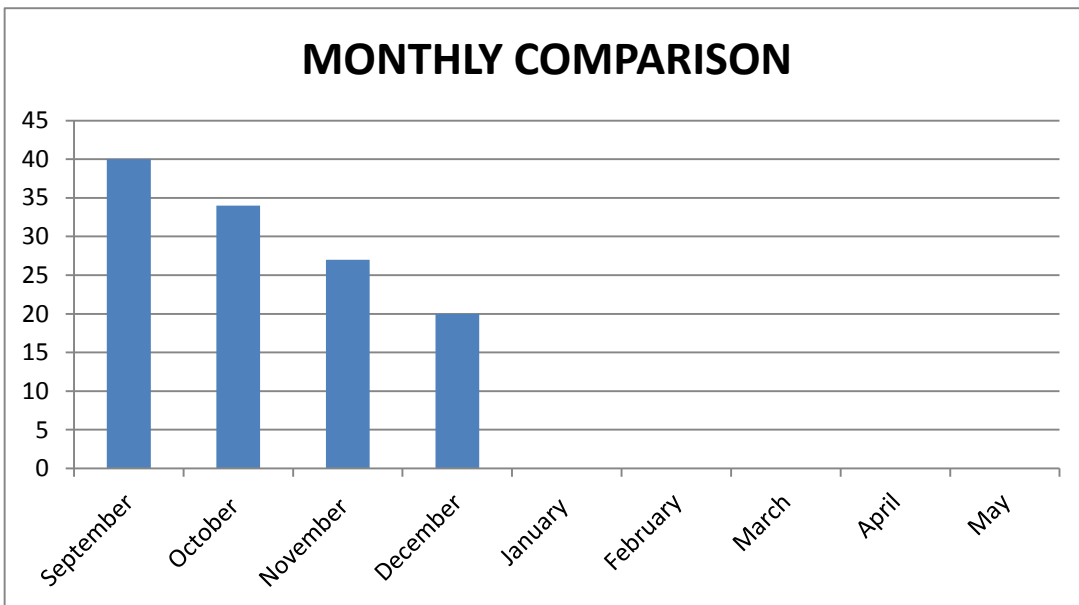
Police Report

**Wyoming Area Police Department
Monthly Report for December, 2017
Total Calls for Service**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
2400 Disorderly Conduct	2
2450 Harassment	2
2601 Use of Tobacco in Schools	1
2690 All Other Offenses - Reports	3
2910 Lost/Missing Property	1
3000 Found/Recovered Property	1
3100 Motor Vehicle Accidents	1
3610 Disturbances – Juvenile	2
3870 Medical Emergency	1
4090 Non-Criminal – Reports	3
7504 Assist Other Agencies – Other Police	2
TRUA Compulsory School Attendance	1
Total	20

Monthly Comparison

<u>November Calls for Service</u> 27	<u>December Calls for Service</u> 20	<u>Plus/Minus Comparison</u> -7
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Mr. Yorina asked Officer Alberigi about police officers at the Primary Center. Officer Alberigi responded that the police officers were at the building doing training exercises.

At this time, Attorney Ferentino motioned to approve an addendum to the finance report.

Motion to approve a performance contract agreement between the Wyoming Area School District and CM3 Building Solutions, Inc. of a total cost of \$1,645,764.00.

Attorney Ferentino stated it is a performance guarantee contract that will include lighting improvements and HVAC to Montgomery Avenue.

Roll call to amend the finance report: Dr. Campenni voted yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Yorina voted no, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Attorney Ferentino explained that the concept behind these performance contracts are the district makes certain upgrades, environmentally friendly upgrades, economically sound upgrades. In this instance it is our lighting system which will be replaced and the energy savings will pay for improvements over time. In this particular contract it calls for the replacement of the air conditioning system in the Montgomery Avenue school. Shannon Klein of CM3 talked about the contract.

Mr. Yorina stated he wasn't against it but the way it was being presented. You don't have a 1.7 million dollar addendum..... Mrs. Gober-Mangan stated this was talked about, it didn't appear on the agenda, it was an oversight and we need to move now.

Roll call to vote on CM3 contract: Dr. Campenni voted yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Yorina voted no, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Open Discussion: Mr. Yorina spoke about academic competitions and cutting comp time. Mr. Yorina also stated that he was disappointed that no student government attended the meeting tonight. George Race asked the amount of the bid awarded for the SJD building. Attorney Ferentino responded \$105,000.00, subject to zoning and other issues. The building was going to be used for physical rehabilitation or something along those lines. Mr. Yorina spoke about the Facebook videos regarding Stephanie Jallen and asked everyone to watch it. Mr. Yorina acknowledged Robert Galella, Director of Curriculum, stating his ideas were enlightening.

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Marianacci, second by Dr. Campenni.

Elizabeth Gober-Mangan, President

John Marianacci, Secretary