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Wyoming Area School District  
Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education  
252 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643  
Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 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. Mr. Gerald Stofko, President of the Board, asked everyone to remain standing in memory of deceased members of Wyoming Area Warriors. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Roll Call:                    Mr. Gerald Stofko, President  
                                 Mrs. Kimberly Yochem, Vice President  
                                 Mr. Carman Bolin, Treasurer  
                                 Ms. Lara Best  
                                 Mr. Philip Campenni  
                                 Mr. Nicholas DeAngelo  
                                 Mr. Leonard Pribula  
                                 Mrs. Toni Valenti

Absent:                        Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary

Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, Thomas Melone, Business Consultant, Cathy Ranieli, Secondary Center Assistant Principal, Shaun Rohland, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Dave Pacchioni, Building Principal of Primary Center, Vanessa Nee, Director of Special Education, Jo Ann Pepsin, Assistant Director of Special Education and Building Principal of Kindergarten Center, Brian Strazdus, Intermediate Center Principal, Jason Jones, Network Engineer, Frank Pugliese, Facilities Director, Melissa Collevchio, Food Service Director, Krysti Naylor, School Psychologist, Angelo Falzone, Director of Transportation/Attendance.

At this time, Shane Pagnotti of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association presented Mrs. Valenti with a plaque in honor of 24 years on the board.

Communications Report

Mrs. Best read the Communications Report in the absence of Mr. Marianacci.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 submitting minutes from regular meeting of December 18, 2019.
2. Ballots received from Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 to nominate officers to the LIU Board.
3. Attorney Bill Anzalone requesting permission to use the stadium for the UNICO Charitable All-Star Football Game.
4. Jenny Kranson, on behalf of the Wyoming Area Girls Soccer Parents Association and Wyoming Area Boys Soccer Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Primary Center soccer field to host an elementary soccer camp and to hold sign-ups at the Primary Center parking lot.
5. Right to Know Request submitted for information regarding refuse bids.
6. Jennifer Hallman requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for Wyoming Area Baseball Meet the Warriors.

7. Candice Gad, Personal Care Aide, submitting her letter of resignation.
8. Lisa Nicole Sitkowski, Head Girls Varsity Soccer Coach, submitting her letter of resignation.
9. Theresa Alba, Health Tech, requesting to extend her medical leave.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Stofko asked for approval of the minutes of January 28, 2020. All board members present voted aye.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

1. **Music teacher Narda Sperrazza recently received notification from the Luzerne Foundation that the Primary Center was awarded The 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Jeffery F. DePrimo Memorial Fund, a \$500.00 grant, to be used for the Music Program. Miss Sperrazza applied for the grant to help defray the costs of taking the Third Grade students to the Northeast PA. Philharmonic Young People's Concert in May. Congratulations!**
2. **Students at the Intermediate Center cash in their punch cards for rewards at the School Wide Positive Behavior Store. The School Wide Positive Program promotes positive behavior throughout all elementary programs in the district.**



3. **Students at the Intermediate Center practice coding, computer science, and practical math skills while programing robots to bowl.**



4. Thank you to the Social Concerns' Committee at St. Barbara's Church for donating \$200 towards Rachel's Challenge Clothes Closet.
5. Wyoming Area Secondary Center's FoR Club (Friends of Rachel) made over 1,100 valentines and hung them on students' lockers because the FoR Club believes EVERYONE should receive a valentine on Valentine's Day, and everyone should feel valued and loved. Everyone in the building received a handmade valentine -- all students, teachers, administrators, counselors, aides, cafeteria workers, maintenance and cleaning personnel and security. Friends of Rachel Club is named for Rachel Joy Scott, the first person killed during the Columbine shooting in 1999. Her uncle came to speak here in January, and the secondary center formed a chapter of the FoR club to help promote kindness and a positive climate in the district.



Solicitor's Report

Attorney Ferentino reported that an executive session was held on February 18<sup>th</sup> and tonight. Topics discussed were litigation issues, special education and on-going negotiations.

Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Bolin read the Treasurer’s Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	9,325,739.66
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	5,819.14
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	61,423.05
First National Community Bank	Student Activities	112,259.07
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	30,502.82
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	General Fund Account	1,128,478.37
First National Community Bank	Series 2018 GON Account	1,278,013.02

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

Finance Report

Mr. Bolin read the Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

<u>Berkheimer Income Tax</u>	
Earned Income Tax	100,904.24
Local Services Tax	507.33
Per Capita Tax	1,058.70
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>2,426.96</u>
Total:	104,897.23
<u>State &amp; Federal Subsidy Payments</u>	
Title I – Improving Basic Programs	83,302.14
Title II- Improving Teacher Quality	15,052.58
Title IV – Student Support & Academic Enrichment	6,186.42
School District Special Education	<u>242,912.00</u>
Total:	347,453.14
<u>Local Realty Transfer Tax</u>	
Luzerne County	13,369.94

2. Approve the February payment of \$123,073.42 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.

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3. Approve the February payment of \$52,153.30 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2019-2020 school year.
4. Approve the February payment of \$6,666.67 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit for Liberty Academy Dual Diagnosis Services for the 2019-2020 school year.
5. Approve the 2020-2021 Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 General Operating Budget.
6. Approve the credit adjustments effective February 1, 2020.

<b>Wyoming Area School District Credit Adjustments Effective February 1, 2020</b>				
<b>Name</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Step</b>	<b>Increase</b>
CONFLETTI, JENNIFER	M	M+12	4	\$ 1,750.00
GLATZ, MARJORIE	M+18	M+24	4	\$ 876.00
HARDEN, MICHELLE	M+42	M+48	14	\$ 2,093.00
HINES, JENNIFER	M+30	M+36	4	\$ 1,487.00
LEMONCELLI, ROBERT	M+06	M+12	4	\$ 876.00
LITWIN, ROSEMARY	M+48	M+54	14	\$ 1,481.00
LOPRESTO, DANIELLE	B+24	M	4	\$ 4,751.00
MANTA, JEANINE	B	B+06	3	\$ 1,582.00
RILEY, SHEA	M+54	M+60	12	\$ 1,482.00
STEVENS, MARIAH	B+12	B+18	4	\$ 1,582.00
TIERNEY, LINDSAY	B+24	M	4	\$ 4,751.00
YEAGER, STACEY	M+36	M+42	6	\$ 2,093.00
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$ 24,804.00</b>

7. Approve the Tuition Reimbursement for February 2020.

**WYOMING AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE FOR TUITION REIMBURSEMENT  
FEBRUARY, 2020**

<b>EMPLOYEE NAME</b>	<b>AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED</b>
BECKER JOYCE	\$300.00
CONFLETTI JENNIFER	\$1,200.00
DEMICHELE-MCCARTHY LISA	\$900.00
DRAGWA KELLY	\$900.00
DUNN BRITTANY	\$300.00
GIGLIO ANN	\$600.00
GLATZ MARJORIE	\$600.00
HARDEN MICHELLE	\$600.00
HINES JENNIFER	\$300.00
HUGHES ALEXANDRA	\$600.00
LEMONCELLI ROBERT	\$600.00
LITWIN ROSEMARY	\$300.00
MANTA JEANINE	\$900.00
MAZZITELLI SARA	\$300.00
MENTA KATHRYN	\$300.00
MOSCATELLI CARLA	\$300.00
PACELLI KELLY	\$300.00
RILEY SHEA	\$300.00
SELTZER MELANIE	\$100.00

STEVENS	MARIAH	\$300.00
TIERNEY	LINDSAY	\$600.00
	BOBBIE	
TONDORA	LYNN	\$900.00
YEAGER	STACEY	\$600.00
		<u>\$12,100.00</u>

8. Approve the refund of paid property taxes for Diamond Manufacturing Company for the following years:

PIN#66-E10SE2-003-007	7,671.54	2017
PIN#66-10SE2-003-001	8,803.85	2017
PIN#66-E10SE2-003-007	7,918.44	2018
PIN#66-10SE2-003-001	9,087.19	2018
PIN#66-E10SE2-003-001	9,368.87	2019
PIN#66-E10SE2-003-007	8,163.90	2019

9. Approve to authorize the School Solicitor to send a letter to the President of Council of West Pittston Borough to endorse a Memorandum of Understanding.

10. Approve the general ledger sheet:

Bill Listing: February 2020	809,875.68	
Prepays: January 2020	<u>92,217.39</u>	902,093.07
Cafeteria Account:	80,004.47	
Athletic Account:	<u>12,886.40</u>	<u>92,890.87</u>
	Total:	994,983.94

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

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes.

Motion passed.

Education Report

Mr. Campenni 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 2019-2020 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, Superintendent, at the District’s Business Office.
2. Approve the Lackawanna College Proposal for Dual Enrollment Agreement with the Wyoming Area School District. Student is responsible for \$100 per credit hour.
3. Approve the resolution for the Pennsylvania School Boards Association- Principals for Governance and Leadership.
4. Approve the revised guest teacher/professional substitute list.

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5. Approve the appointment of Anthony Huntington as music teacher.
6. Approve Phil Campenni as Trust Alternate for the NEPA Health Trust.
7. Approve the school calendar for 2020-2021 school year.
8. Approve to appoint a Board Disciplinary Committee as per board policy #233 Suspension and Expulsion:

Carmen Bolin  
 Len Pribula  
 Toni Valenti

9. Approve the motion to accept, with regret, the resignation of Melissa Collevchio, Food Service Director, effective immediately. THIS ITEM WAS ADDED FROM THE FLOOR.

Motion by Mr. Campenni, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the education report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes Mr. Campenni abstained on item #6 and voted yes on remaining report.  
 Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes.

Motion passed.

#### Activities Report

Mr. DeAngelo read the Activities Report.

1. Approve the appointments of the following assistant coaches and volunteer coaches for the 2019-2020 spring sports season:

#### Track & Field

Mike Fanti	Asst. Varsity Coach	2,701.00
Ron D'Eliseo	Asst. Varsity Coach	2,701.00
Kristen Lombardo	Asst. Varsity Coach	2,701.00
Joe DeMark	Jr. High Coach	2,401.00
Sarah Loughnane	Jr. High Coach	2,401.00
Jason Speece	Jr. High Coach	2,401.00
Randy Spencer	Volunteer Coach	
Ken Stackhouse	Volunteer Coach	

#### Boys Tennis

Joe Skrip	Volunteer Coach	
Steve Pizzano	Volunteer Coach	

#### Baseball

Sam Parente	Asst. Coach	2,701.00
Joseph DeLuca	Jr. High Coach	2,401.00
Robert Lemoncelli, Sr.	Volunteer Coach	
Cody Patton	Volunteer Coach	
Aaron Lee	7/8 Grade Coach	2,401.00
Justin Martinelli	Volunteer Coach	

#### Girls Lacrosse

Rob Switzer	Volunteer Coach	
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Softball

Dean Carey	Asst. Coach	2,701.00
Nicole Turner	Jr. High Coach	2,401.00
Kayla Taddai	Asst. Jr. High coach	2,401.00
Ted Kross	Volunteer Coach	

2. Approve the appointment of Angelo Bufalino as instructor for the Indoor Winds Program at a salary not to exceed \$4,000.00 for the 2019-2020 school year.
3. Approve the 2020 Wyoming Area Indoor Winds rehearsal/events schedule.
4. Accept, with regret, Lisa Nicole Sitkowski's letter of resignation as Head Girls Varsity Soccer Coach.

Motion by Mr. DeAngelo, second by Mr. Pribula, to accept the activities report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes.

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

1. Approve the request of Attorney Bill Anzalone to use the stadium for the UNICO Charitable All-Star Football Game on Friday, May 29, 2020, 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., pending approval by administration and athletic director.
2. Approve the request of Jenny Kranson, on behalf of the Wyoming Area Girls Soccer Parents Association and the Wyoming Area Boys Soccer Parents Association to host an elementary soccer camp at the Primary Center soccer field during the week of June 22, 2020, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. (In the event of inclement weather, the Primary Center gym is requested). The parents association are also requesting permission to hold sign-ups for the camp on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 and Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at the Primary Center parking lot from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal. (Class A) THIS ITEM WAS TABLED.
3. Approve the appointment of Margaret Robbins as Kindergarten Aide.
4. Approve the request of Jennifer Hallman to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for Wyoming Area Baseball Meet the Warriors on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and foodservice director. (Class A)
5. Accept, with regret, Candice Gad's letter of resignation as Personal Care Aide effective March 6, 2020.
6. Approve the request of Theresa Alba, Health Tech, to extend her medical leave for the next eight weeks.

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

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes.

Motion passed.

Policy Report

Mrs. Valenti read the Policy Report.

1. Approve the first reading of the following revised policies:

- Policy 201 – Admission of Students
- Policy 204 – Attendance
- Policy 208 – Withdrawal from School
- Policy 209 – Health Examinations/Screenings
- Policy 220 – Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials
- Policy 222 – Tobacco/Nicotine (Pupils)
- Policy 233 – Suspension and Expulsion
- Policy 323 – Tobacco/Nicotine (Employees)
- Policy 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance (Procurement Procedure Attachment)
- Policy 707 – Use of School Facilities
- Policy 805- Emergency Preparedness and Response
- Policy 805.1 – Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies
- Policy 805.2 – School Security Personnel
- Policy 810 - Transportation
- Policy 810.1- School Bus Drivers and School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers
- Policy 810.3 – School Vehicle Drivers
- Policy 818- Contracted Services Personnel
- Policy 904- Public Attendance at School Events
- Policy 913 – Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals
- Policy 918 – Title I Parental Involvement

Motion by Mrs. Valenti, second by Mr. DeAngelo, to accept the policy report.

Roll Call: Ms. Best, yes Mr. Campenni, yes, Mr. DeAngelo, yes, Mr. Pribula, yes, Mrs. Valenti, yes, Mr. Bolin, Yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes.

Motion passed.

Police Report

**Wyoming Area Police Department  
Monthly Report for January 2020  
Total Calls for Service**

<u>CODE</u>		<u>COUNT</u>
0000	Parent Conference	1
0002	Transport	11
0690	Theft – Reports	2
1490	Criminal Mischief – Reports	1
2400	Disorderly Conduct	3
2450	Harassment	4
2690	All Other Offenses - Reports	5
3610	Disturbances - Juvenile	8
4028	Non-Criminal – Other Investigations	1
4090	Non-Criminal - Reports	5
7016	Follow Up Information	8

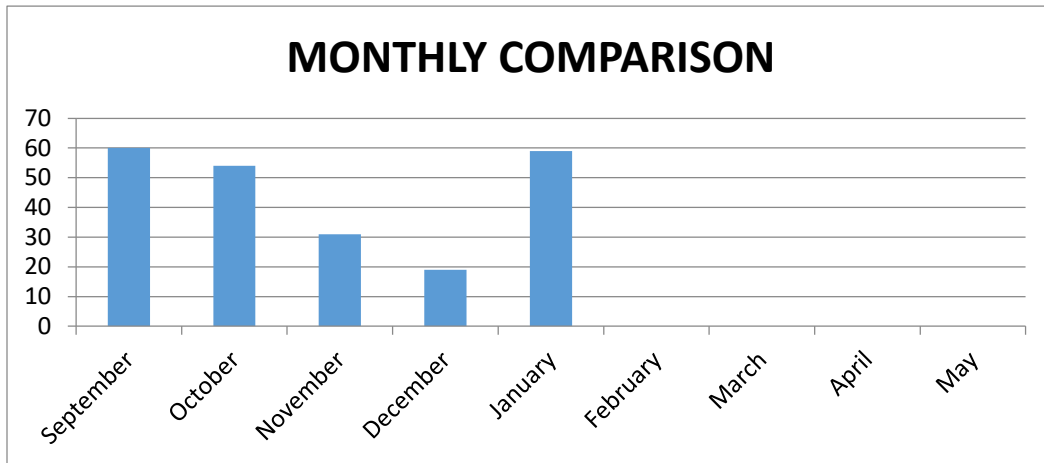
7504	Assist Other Agencies – Other Police	1
TRUA	Compulsory School Attendance	9

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Total 59

Monthly Comparison

<u>December Calls for Service</u>	<u>January Calls for Service</u>	<u>Plus/Minus Comparison</u>
19	59	+40



Open Discussion:

John Pegg, West Wyoming

- Board Disciplinary Committee
- Increase on police report

Joe McCabe, Exeter

- Message board
- Renovations needed at stadium

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m. on a motion by Mr. DeAngelo, second by Mrs. Valenti.

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Gerald Stofko, President

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John Marianacci, Secretary