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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, December 20, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

The 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 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 7:15 p.m.

Roll Call:

- Mrs. Gober-Mangan, President
- Mrs. Deanna Farrell, Vice President
- Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary
- Mrs. Kimberly A. Yochem, Treasurer
- Mr. Carmen Bolin
- Dr. Estelle Campenni
- Mr. Gerald A. Stofko
- Mrs. Toni Valenti
- Mr. Carl Yorina

All board members were present.

Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, School Solicitor, Vito Quaglia, Secondary Center Building Principal, Jon Pollard, Elementary Principal of the Primary Center and JFK Kindergarten Center, Joseph Long, Elementary Principal of the Intermediate Center, Vanessa Nee, Special Education Director, David Pacchioni, Assistant Principal of Discipline, Christine Rosenkrans, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Melissa Collevchio, Food Service Director, Camilla Granteed, School Psychologist, Frank Pugliese, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds.

#### Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit's regular meeting minutes of October 26, 2016.
2. Deborah Sims, Cafeteria Worker, requesting to extend her leave without pay.
3. Marilyn Fitzgerald, Part-time Cleaner, submitting her letter of intent to retire.
4. Lisa Day requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria and classrooms for History Bowl Regional Competition.
5. Lisa Nardell, Wyoming Area Boys Basketball Parents Association, requesting permission to hold a pizza fundraiser at Januzzi's Pizza in Exeter.
6. Christine Marianacci, Spanish Teacher, requesting permission to take a medical leave of absence.
7. Rhonda Pizano, Cheerleading Advisor, requesting financial assistance from the district for the cheerleaders to compete at the Pennsylvania PIAA State Competitive Spirit Championships.

- Jennifer Judge, Elementary Teacher, requesting permission to take a sabbatical leave of absence.

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- Narda Sperrazza, Chorus Teacher, requesting permission to attend the PMEA District 9, along with five students at Marywood University.
- Dave Pizano, Science Teacher, requesting permission to attend Little Tiger Invitational Science Olympiad (middle school) along with fifteen students and coaches at Northwestern Lehigh High School.
- Dave Pizano, Science Teacher, requesting permission to attend the Science Olympiad Tournament along with fifteen students and coaches at Northwestern Lehigh High School.
- Molly Pratzman, Field Hockey Parents Association, requesting permission to hold a bingo fundraiser in the Secondary Center cafeteria.
- Barbara Bullions, Drama Advisor, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for Thespian Inductions.
- Monsignor Sempa, Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish, requesting permission to use three risers for their 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass.

#### Summary of Applications Received

Music – 1

Spanish - 1

#### Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Gober-Mangan asked for approval for the minutes of November 15, 2016 and Reorganization Meeting of December 6, 2016.

All board members voted aye.

#### Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

- Congratulations to the Christmas Card Contest Winners: Shari Liddick, 12<sup>th</sup> grade student at the Secondary Center and Madison Ratchford, 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at the Intermediate Center.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences were held on November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Percentage of report card pickup:

Kindergarten Center	89%
Primary Center	94%
Intermediate Center	86%
Secondary Center	72%
- Student Council at the Intermediate Center rang the Salvation Army Bell at the Price Chopper on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Two students, Alyssa Stepanski and Trinity Campbell organized a Toys for Tots Collection at the Intermediate Center.

5. Primary Center held its Olweus Bullying Prevention Program Training and roll out on November 30<sup>th</sup>. A Committee of teachers facilitated the training for their fellow staff members. A huge thank you to the Committee members for their hard work in putting this training together for the students and faculty/staff at the Primary Center.
6. The Kindergarten Center held the annual Gingerbread House Activity last week. Students and families come together with their classmates to construct a Gingerbread house to take home. Thank you to the Faculty and Staff at the Kindergarten Center for making this a wonderful time for the students.
7. The Wyoming Area Middle School recently held its fifth annual National Geography Bee competition. Students from 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade competed by answering questions about world and US geography. After 35 rounds, Justin Steransky edged 2015 winner Tyler Harden to win the Bee. Justin will not take a written test to compete in the state level of the competition. Congratulations Justin! The teachers that organize and work with the students are Michelle Harden, Ashley Aritz and Chris Hizynski.
8. As you entered the building this evening you heard Christmas Carolers (Cassie Button, Lea Getz, and Ben Klapproth). They were accompanied by Marching Band Staff members Kevin Davenport and Josh Delanuez.

#### Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Treasurer's Report.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	10,068,278.43
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	396,261.49
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	59,855.86
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	138,860.58
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	15,744.96
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	Earned Income Tax Revenue	311,316.16

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

#### Finance Report

Mrs. Yochem read the Finance Report.

1. Received the following checks:

<u>Berkheimer</u>	
Earned Income Tax	360,940.88
Local Service Tax	5,328.10
Per Capita Tax	3,496.80
Delinquent Per Capita	<u>2,270.80</u>
Total:	372,036.58

<u>Local Realty Transfer Tax</u>	
Luzerne County 11-4-16	13,823.12
Luzerne County 12-5-16	14,057.48
Wyoming County	<u>942.05</u>
Total:	28,822.65

<u>Luzerne Intermediate Unit</u>	
2015-2016 IDEA Pass-through Funds	277,820.00

<u>Walmart</u>	
Grant	2,500.00

<u>State &amp; Federal Subsidy Payments</u>	
Social Security	123,352.08
Title I – Improving Basic Programs	52,433.54
Rental Subsidy	225,534.28
School District Special Education	<u>221,836.00</u>
Total:	623,155.90

<u>2016 Real Estate Taxes</u>	
Paul Konopka- Wyoming Borough	149,953.18
Thomas Polacheck – Exeter Borough	362,820.10
Ann Marie Farley – Exeter Twp., Wyoming County	74,633.69
Wayman Smith-Exeter Twp., Luzerne County	212,970.47
George Miller – West Pittston Borough	238,616.57
Robert Connors – West Wyoming Borough	<u>232,324.02</u>
Total:	1,271,318.03

<u>Miscellaneous</u>	
District Court 11-2-01	14.80

2. Approve the December 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 December payment of \$43,077.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2016-2017 school year.

4. Approve the following refunds of paid property taxes for the 2016 year:

#66-E10S3-001-012-001	86.25
#65-D11SE4-008-005-000	61.17
#66-E10SE1-004-017-000	43.12
#66-E10SE2-004-015-000	54.38
#66-E10NE4-003-019-000	67.97
#66-E10NE4-003-03A-000	104.47

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#65-E11NE1-017-016-000	135.98
#65-D11SW3-001-008-000	925.90
#65-D11SW3-001-009-000	56.14
#65-D11SW3-001-018-000	140.98
#65-D11SW3-001-017-000	<u>140.98</u>

Total: 1,817.34

5. Approve the General Ledger Sheet:

Bill Listing: December 2016	617,394.77	
Prepays: November 2016	<u>92,713.47</u>	710,108.24

Cafeteria Account:	74,814.23	
Athletic Account:	<u>2,836.00</u>	<u>77,650.23</u>
	Total:	787,758.47

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

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, 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 request of Christine Marianacci, Spanish Teacher, to take a medical leave of absence beginning Monday, February 6, 2017 until further notice.
3. Approve the request of Jennifer Judge, Elementary Teacher, to take a sabbatical leave of absence beginning January 9, 2017 until January 9, 2018.
4. Approve the revised professional substitute list for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion by Mr. Yorina, seconded by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the education report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, 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. Farrell read the Activities Report.

1. Approve to rescind the appointment of Randy McDermott as 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys basketball coach retroactive to November 25, 2016.

2. Approve the appointment of Julian Campenni as 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys basketball coach at a salary of \$1,677.00 retroactive to November 26, 2016.
3. Approve to rescind the appointment of Robert Jesse as assistant wrestling coach retroactive to November 29, 2016.
5. Approve to rescind the appointment of Jason Speece as assistant junior high wrestling coach and approve Mr. Speece's appointment as assistant wrestling coach at a salary of \$3,377.00 for the 2016-2017 winter sports season.
6. Approve to rescind the appointment of Kelly (Alex) Pullen as a volunteer elementary wrestling coach and approve Mr. Pullen's appointment as assistant junior high wrestling coach at a salary of \$2,508.00 for the 2016-2017 winter sports season.
7. Approve the request of Lisa Nardell, Wyoming Area Boys Basketball Parents Association, to hold a pizza fundraiser, one night during the week of Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup> at Januzzi's in Exeter. Anyone mentioning the boys basketball program will get a discount and amounts collected will be donated by Januzzi's to the parents organization.
8. Approve the request of Narda Sperrazza, Chorus Teacher, to attend the PMEA District 9, along with five students at Marywood University from Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday, January 13, 2017, with a total cost of \$811.44. Transportation is also requested for one way only.
9. Approve the 2016-2017 Wyoming Area Indoor Percussion Schedule with expenditures not to exceed \$4,000.00. The band trailer and Pace buses are also requested for competitions as in the past.
10. Approve the 2016-2017 winter sports schedule submitted by the athletic director.
11. Approve the request of Dave Pizano, Science Teacher, to attend the Science Olympiad Tournament along with fifteen students at Northwestern Lehigh High School with coaches: Mrs. Kearns, Mrs. Roman and Mr. Williams on Saturday, February 11, 2017. Mr. Pizano is asking the district to cover the cost of transportation of a Martz mini bus at \$1,105.00.
12. Approve the request of Dave Pizano, Science Teacher, to attend Little Tiger Invitational Science Olympiad (middle school) along with fifteen students at Northwestern Lehigh High School with coaches: Mr. Grivensky, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Wall and/or Mrs. Roman, on Saturday, February 18, 2017. Mr. Pizano is asking the district to cover the cost of transportation of a Martz mini bus at \$1,105.00.
13. Approve the request of Rhonda Pizano, Cheerleading Advisor, for financial assistance from the district for the cheerleaders competing at the Pennsylvania PIAA State Competitive Spirit Championships in Hershey on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, January 21, 2017.

Motion by Mrs. Farrell, seconded by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the activities report.

Mr. Stofko asked Mrs. Serino how much more are the Cheerleaders asked for in item #13. Mrs. Serino stated that this is the first time the cheerleaders will compete at the PA. PIAA State Competitive Spirit Championships. It would be either 3,280.00 or 2,770.00.

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Mr. Stofko stated he would like to amend #13 to: not to exceed 1,640.00. Second by Dr. Campenni.

Mr. Yorina stated that they didn't have a lot of time to raise money but next time they can do fundraising for it. Attorney Ferentino recommended to fund in accordance with the regulations of the PIAA and if the board has a number in mind you don't want to exceed that. Attorney Ferentino recommended the lower of the two. You don't want to expose yourself beyond the requirements. It should read "as required by PIAA." Then we could say they can fundraise better next year. Mrs. Gober-Mangan stated they may have some funds already set aside.

Attorney Ferentino stated item #13 should read:

Approve the request of Rhonda Pizano, Cheerleading Advisor, for financial assistance as required by PIAA from the district for the cheerleaders competing at the Pennsylvania PIAA State Competitive Spirit Championships in Hershey on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, January 21, 2017, funding not to exceed \$3,280.00.

Mr. Race asked if this is required why does it have to be accepted. Attorney Ferentino responded we authorized up to \$3,280.00. We will get more information. That may not be the number. It can be addressed next time they convene. We don't want to eliminate the possibility of them going. Mr. Race asked what the requirement was. Attorney Ferentino responded the requirement may be an inference the district would fund their PIAA organization as it participates in the state championship. Dr. Campenni commented on Title 9: giving as much money to the men and women sports. That's what we don't know off the cuff.

#### Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

1. Approve the request of Deborah Sims, Cafeteria Worker, to extend her leave without pay starting January 3, 2017 until the end of the school year.
2. Accept, with regret, Marilyn Fitzgerald's letter of intent to retire as a part-time cleaner retroactive to December 9, 2016.
3. Approve the request of Lisa Day to use the Secondary Center cafeteria and five classrooms for History Bowl Regional Competition on Saturday, January 28, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and foodservice director. (Class A)
4. Approve the request of Molly Pratzman, Field Hockey Parents Association, to hold a bingo fundraiser in the Secondary Center cafeteria on Saturday, April 29, 2017, from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (includes set-up and clean-up), pending approval by the building principal and food service director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a food worker or custodian's services are needed. (Class A)
5. Approve the request of Barbara Bullions, Drama Advisor, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for Thespian Inductions on Sunday, June 4, 2017, at 2:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and food service director. (Class A)
6. Approve the appointment of Michele Hoeffner as Level I Secretary.
7. Approve the appointment of John Giorgio as part-time cleaner.

8. Approve the request of Monsignor Sempa, Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish, to use three risers for their 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass.

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9. Approve the revised support personnel substitute list for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion by Mr. Stofko, seconded by Mr. Marianacci, to accept the building report.

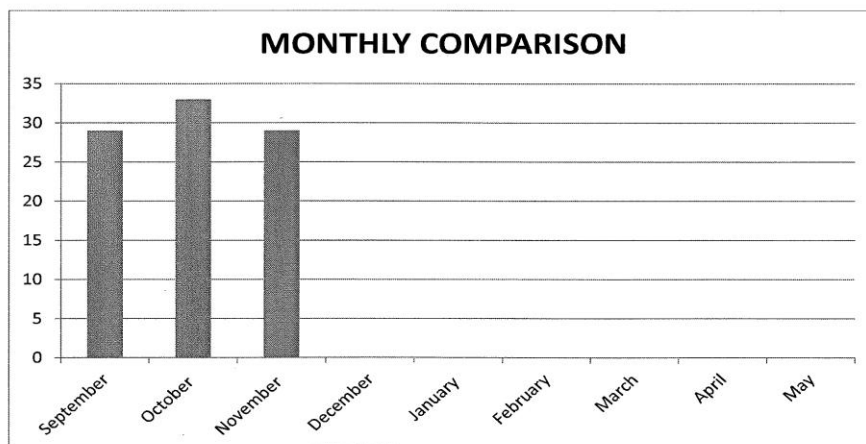
Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, no, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Yochem, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.  
Motion passed.

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

<u>CODE</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
0000 – Parent Conference	1
2601 – Use of Tobacco in Schools	3
2690 – All Other Offenses – Reports	2
3100 – Motor Vehicle Accidents	2
3500 – Suspicious Persons, Autos, Circumstances	3
4090 – Non-Criminal - Reports	5
6690 – Traffic Related Services -Reports	2
7504 – Assist Other Agencies – Other Police	1
TRUA- Compulsory School Attendance	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>

Monthly Comparison

<u>October Calls for Service</u>	<u>November Calls for Service</u>	<u>Plus/Minus Comparison</u>
33	29	-4



Open Discussion: Mr. Yorina acknowledged how professional the teachers were when he picked up his daughter's report card. A food drive for Meals on Wheels was held by the kindergarten through third grades and they collected 1,500 items.

Mrs. Gober-Mangan wished everyone a Merry Christmas.



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With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Gober-Mangan, seconded by Mr. Marianacci.

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Elizabeth Gober-Mangan, President

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John Marianacci, Secretary