

July 27, 2020

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order at 7:00 PM as a blended in person at BLaST IU17 on Reach Road/virtual meeting on the Zoom platform by the President, Nathan Miller.

The meeting opened with a Moment of Silence and Pledge to the Flag.

Board Members Present: Bachman, Cramer, Engel, Fiorini, McGinn, Miller, and Molino.

Others Present: Mark Stamm – Superintendent, Fred Holland – Solicitor, and Jamie Mowrey – Business Manager.

Visitors: Adam Dincher, Amanda White, Ann Neely, Ann-Elyse Schopfer, Ashley Zielewicz, Asiyah Smith Rupert, Bill Reifsnyder, Bonnie Lepley, Christine Pinkerton, Cindy Troutman-Myers, Danielle/James Bradley, Elizabeth Steppe, Ellen Koser, Erik Cawley, Heather Smith Rupert, J Bragunier, Jaclyn Miller, Jesse Smith, Jessi Ross, Jessica Kaledas, Jim Girardi, John Kropp, Julie Brenner, Julie Marzzacco, Katrina Gatling, Kendra Lewis, Korrie Lucas, Lee Bernstein, Lesa Hennigan, Lisa Arp, Linda Thompson, Lindsay Huff, Lisa Laidacker, Matt Easley, Melissa Bradley, Michele Loomis, Michelle McGee, Mindy Rodarmel, Molly Colley, Morning Martz, Rich Robbins, Rita Kimble, Rob Houseknecht, Robyn Rummings, Ryan Helminiak, Sara Beth Ireland, Scott Hill, Selena Loiselle, Steve Rupert, Tandra Isenberg, Tammy Miller, Tammy Robbins, Tara McGlensey, Tara Stryker, Tim Confer, Tim Rissel, Tina Pulver, Tonya Martin, Tyler Schonewolf, Tywana Gatling, Zack Thompson, and Mike Reuther-SunGazette.

#### **APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT**

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2020 was moved by Bachman, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

#### **APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS**

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$2,258,682.80 as funds become available was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

#### **APPROVE CAFETERIA FUND BILLS**

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the Cafeteria Fund in the amount of \$33,326.85 as funds become available was moved by Bachman, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

#### **APPROVE MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes of June 15, 2020, as written was moved by Cramer, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### **BOARD RESOLUTION FOR SECTION 520.1 – TEMPORARY EMERGENCY PROVISIONS**

A motion to enact Section 520.1 of the Public School Code of 1949: Temporary Emergency Provisions to authorize instructional time provided in-school and remotely to satisfy the 180 days and the 900/990 hours requirement as it pertains to the global pandemic was moved by McGinn, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

## **RESIGNATION**

A motion to accept the letter of resignation from Jessalee Kline, an Instructional Paraprofessional for Supplemental Learning Support at the High School, effective July 12, 2020, and the letter of resignation from Jacquelyn Shifflet, a Food Service Worker at the High School, effective July 21, 2020, was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

## **EMPLOYMENT – ATHLETIC COACHES & GAME WORKERS**

A motion to approve the following athletic coaches for the 2020-2021 season was moved by Engel, seconded by Bachman.

- Boys' Soccer: Griffin Molino as Assistant Coach at \$2,674.
- Football: Scott White at JH Assistant Coach at \$2,674.
- Cheerleading: Monica Boone as JH Volunteer and Aubrey Quimby as JH Volunteer.
- Fall Game Workers: Ron Hine, Scott Lowery, Dwight Woodley, Doug Betz, Craig Kropp, Eric Ranck, Ned Shaw and Robert Shaw – paid \$25 per game.

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

Board Member Bingham arrived at the meeting at 7:12 PM.

## **EMPLOYMENT – EVENT SECURITY STAFF**

A motion to approve Greg Forsburg, Katie Klingborg, Dick Knecht, Teri Knecht, Ed March, Danny Reaser, Robert Perry, Brenton Pfleegor and Scott Shaffer as event security staff for the 2020-2021 school year was moved by Bachman, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

## **SUBSTITUTES**

A motion to approve the following substitutes for the 2020-2021 school year was moved by Engel, seconded by Bachman.

- Certified Substitutes: Jean Cohick, Jennifer Day, Sharon Gildea-Wilson, Elisha Hertwig, Lexi Holtzman, Yvonne Lentz, Phyllis McKernan, Sharon O'Malley, Alex Peluso, Richelle Sandford, Lauralyn Weisel, and Marjorie Wonderlich.
- Classified Substitutes: Mae Allvord, Morgan Bauder, Christine Bickel, Connie Bilby, Samantha Carey, Marilyn Huff, Holly Lyons, Skye McNamee, Kenneth Mundorff, Crystal Smith, Gina Stoetzel, and Louise Waldman.

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

## **CHILD BEARING/CHILD REARING LEAVE REQUESTS**

A motion to approve EE#489's child bearing/child rearing leave request from the beginning of the school year through September 25, 2020 and EE#1005's child bearing/child rearing leave request from the beginning of the school year through October 23, 2020 was moved by Bingham, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

## **2020-2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR EDIT**

A motion to modify the approved 2020-2021 school calendar by moving the Act 80 full day from January 15, 2021 to September 8, 2020 was moved by Engel, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

## **JUSTICEWORKS YOUTHCARE ACT 48 PROGRAM PLACEMENT AGREEMENT**

A motion to approve the agreement with JusticeWorks YouthCare for the use of alternative education for disruptive youth for the 2020-2021 school year at a cost of \$78 per seat per school day for regular education and \$86 per seat per school day for special education was moved by Bachman, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – BLAST IU17 eQUIP ONLINE LEARNING SERVICES**

A motion to adopt the memorandum of understanding between the South Williamsport Area School District and BLAST IU17 which outlines the services to be provided and the responsibilities of each party related to the eQUIP Online Services, also known as Mountie Academy, for the 2020-2021 school year was moved by Cramer, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – WILLIAMSPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT CTE PROGRAM**

A motion to approve the five-year memorandum of understanding beginning with the 2020-2021 school year through the 2024-2025 school year between the South Williamsport Area School District and the Williamsport Area School District to provide career and technical programming to South Williamsport Area School District's senior high school students was moved by Bachman, seconded by Fiorini. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **BAYADA CONTRACTS**

A motion to approve the contracts with Bayada Home Health Care, Inc. for "In-School" Nursing Services and "Transport" Nursing Services for the 2020-2021 school year was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN FOR RETURNING TO SCHOOL**

A motion to approve the Health and Safety Plan for Returning to School was moved by Bachman, seconded by Engel.

The Health and Safety Plan for Returning to School was developed in consultation with a team of parents, students, staff, employee association representatives, and administrators in July. Preliminary surveys from parents, students and staff collected in late June were also utilized as part of the plan development. The plan is intended to contain enough flexibility to respond to ongoing changes as they occur.

Dr. Stamm gave the board a top level summary of information contained in the Health and Safety Plan which included Cleaning and Sanitation, Personal Protective Equipment, Transportation to School, Arrival and Dismissal from School, The School Day, and High-Risk Students.

Dr. Stamm then gave an update of changes to the Health and Safety Plan since it was posted. Due to regulations, although Lycoming County is in Green (as defined by the PA Department of Health), the state-wide mitigation efforts of 6 feet physical distance and face coverings is requiring the District to respond as if in Yellow. The District will reopen in September 2020 under Phase I which is an In-Person Blended (Hybrid) Instruction. This will reduce the school's daily population by 50%, allowing for students to move and learn more freely without face coverings. Students will attend school on an A/B rotation, with A attending on Monday and Thursday and B attending on Tuesday and Friday. All students will work remotely on Wednesdays with teacher contact/support. Students with IEPs who need daily intensive instruction will be educated in school every day. Transition to Phase II will be re-evaluated at each academic quarter. Phase II is In-Person Full Time Instruction. Factors to consider to transition to Phase II include rate of community spread, changes to state targeted mitigation requirements, and the availability of a COVID-19 vaccine.

A motion to approve the amended Health and Safety Plan for Returning to School under Phase I – In-Person Blended (Hybrid) Instruction was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-absent, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-no, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

**FLEXIBLE INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS**

A motion to approve the District's application to use Flexible Instructional Days due to unexpected school closures due to mechanical issues, weather issues, epidemics, or other unanticipated school disruptions for the 2020-21, 2021-22, and 2022-23 school years, which allows the District to provide daily instruction while school is closed to meet the minimum 180 day requirement was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

There was an executive session prior to the board meeting for legal advice. No action to follow.

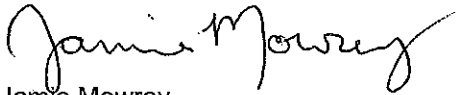
**COURTESY TO THE FLOOR**

The following topics were discussed by the following individuals:

Molly Colley, Korrie Lucas, Melissa Bradley, and other anonymous individuals asked questions regarding the Health and Safety Plan.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bingham, seconded by Fiorini. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Attest



Jamie Mowrey  
Board Secretary