

January 11, 2021

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order at 7:00 PM on the online Zoom platform by the President, Nathan Miller.

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

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

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

Visitors: Brenda Trimble, Connie McLaughlin, Danelle Saxe, Jessica Kaledas, Lesa Hennigan, Mary Geise, Micah LaBarre, Robyn Rummings, Tara McGlensey, Manny Tsikitas, Emily Wagner, Kevin Eck, Matt Krach, Steve Rupert, Brock Weaver, Melissa Stahl, Tara Stryker, Elizabeth Steppe, Holly Strouse, Landyn Gephart, Sam Persun, Sara Engel, Shana Ertel, Stephanie Fortin, Darrel Miller, Tina Pulver, Lisa Arp, Adrienne Wertz, Carlie Gerber, Linda Miller, Heather Smith-Rupert, Korrie Lucas, Tammy Miller, and Michael Reuther – SunGazette.

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

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for November 2020 was moved by Bachman, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-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 \$1,945,966.26 as funds become available was moved by Bingham, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-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 \$55,519.29 as funds become available was moved by Bingham, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-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 December 7, 2020 and December 14, 2020, as written was moved by Cramer, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### **COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL BASED MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

Dr. Stamm gave an update on the development of the District's Comprehensive School Based Mental Health Program.

### **APPROVAL OF SPECIAL SICK LEAVE**

A motion to approve Special Sick Leave for PSERS purposes for the following employees and dates was moved by Miller, seconded by Cramer.

- Employee # 758 for November 23-24, 2020
- Employee #1139 for November 23-24, 2020
- Employee #1024 for December 1-14, 2020
- Employee #1104 for December 2-4, 2020
- Employee #1254 for December 7-16, 2020
- Employee #1102 for December 7-16, 2020
- Employee #1142 for December 7-16, 2020
- Employee #1096 for December 8-14, 2020
- Employee #180 for December 8-15, 2020
- Employee #276 for December 8-15, 2020
- Employee #1062 for December 9-11, 2020
- Employee #357 for December 16, 2020
- Employee #1069 for December 14-22, 2020
- Employee #974 for November 13-17 & December 14-22, 2020

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

### **TAX COLLECTOR RATES**

A motion to set tax collector rates for the next four-year period at \$3.75 per bill for bills 1-500; \$3.25 per bill for bills 501-1,000; \$2.75 per bill for bills 1,001-1,500; and, \$2.25 per bill for bills 1,501 and over was moved by Cramer, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **EMPLOYMENT – LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE**

A motion to approve Joelle Harvey as a long-term substitute to support the Elementary component of Mountie Academy at a rate of \$150 per day plus benefits was moved by Bingham, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **EMPLOYMENT – RESIGNATION**

A motion to accept the letter of resignation from Heather Bower from her Junior High Head Cheer Coach position for the winter season was moved by Cramer, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **EMPLOYMENT – WINTER COACH**

A motion to approve Mackenzie Miller as the Junior High Head Cheer Coach for the winter season at a rate of pay of \$1,170 was moved by Cramer, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

### **APPROVE POLICY 913 – SECOND READING**

A motion to approve the second reading of Policy No. 913: Financial Gifts was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-no, Bowman-no, Cramer-no, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-no, motion carried.

### **ESTABLISH ATHLETIC COMPENSATION PLAN COMMITTEE**

A motion to establish a committee to review the Athletic Coaches Compensation Plan was moved by Bingham, seconded by Fiorini. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-yes, motion carried.

**RETENTION POLICY SUSPENSION**

A motion to suspend Policy No. 215: Promotion and Retention for the explicit purpose of allowing parents/guardians to request that their child be retained in their current grade as a result of the pandemic was moved by Cramer, seconded by Bingham.

A motion to table Policy No. 215 was moved by Bachman, seconded by Miller. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-no, Cramer-yes, Engel-no, Fiorini-yes, McGinn-yes, Miller-yes, and Molino-no, motion carried.

**COURTESY TO THE FLOOR**

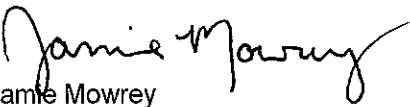
The following topics were discussed by the following individuals:

- Tammy Miller – Athletic Compensation Committee
- Korrie Lucas – Return to school with rising counts in Lycoming County

An executive session will be held after the meeting. No action to follow.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cramer, seconded by Bingham. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Attest



Jamie Mowrey  
Board Secretary