

May 24, 2021

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order at 7:00 PM in the auditorium of the High School by the President, Nathan Miller.

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

Board Members Present: Bowman, Cramer, Engel, Fiorini, Miller, Rupert and Shope.

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

Visitors: Kyle Essick, Brenda Trimble, Ann Neely, Tara McGlensey, Becky Swinehart and Pat Crossley – Williamsport SunGazette.

APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$943,212.70 as funds become available was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE FOOD SERVICE FUND BILLS

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the Food Service Fund in the amount of \$13,667.36 as funds become available was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND BILLS

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$14,830.00 as funds become available was moved by Miller, seconded by Rupert. Roll call: Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

Mrs. Bingham arrived at 7:04 PM.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of May 3, 2021 and May 19, 2021, as written was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

Mrs. Bachman arrived at 7:07 PM.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET FOR 2021-2022

A motion to approve the 2021-2022 proposed final budget was moved by Miller, seconded by Fiorini. Budgeted revenues are \$20,396,114 and budgeted expenditures are \$20,353,938. The taxes to support the budget numbers are real estate millage of 17.48 mills, earned income rate of 1.1%, and real estate transfer tax of 0.5%. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-no, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT – HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH POSITIONS

A motion to approve hiring Brooke Rowles beginning with the 2021-2022 school year at a salary of \$62,281 based on step M-8 of the South Williamsport Area Education Association (SWAEA) Agreement and the hiring of Kyle Essick beginning with the 2021-2022 school year at a salary of \$49,072 based on step M-1 of the SWAEA Agreement was moved by Bachman, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT – HIGH SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES POSITION

A motion to approve hiring Eric Gerber beginning with the 2021-2022 school year at a salary of \$66,055 based on step M-10 of the SWAEA Agreement was moved by Miller, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT –SCHOOL COUNSELOR POSITION

A motion to approve hiring Alyson Stoner for the 200-day school counselor position beginning with the 2021-2022 school year at a salary of \$53,926 based on step M-1 of the SWAEA Agreement was moved by Bachman, seconded by Bingham. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT – EMPLOYEE TRANSFER

A motion to approve the voluntary transfer of Cheryl Loudenslager from Special Education K-2 to Elementary Second Grade effective with the 2021-2022 school year was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

A motion to consider assuming the hiring and oversight of school crossing guards pursuant to Title 8 PCS 1127(b) was moved by Bingham. Motion not seconded; motion failed.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMPENSATION PLAN

A motion to approve the Act 93 Administrative Compensation Plan was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

PROMETHEAN INTERACTIVE PANEL PURCHASE

A motion to approve the purchase of 90 Promethean Interactive Panels at a total cost of \$303,000 was moved by Miller, seconded by Fiorini. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

AGREEMENT WITH LEVIN LEGAL GROUP

A motion to approve the agreement with Levin Legal Group to provide services on labor and employment matters on an as-needed basis was moved by Bachman, seconded by Fiorini. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

DISTRICT COPY MACHINES

A motion to approve the Copier and Maintenance Service Agreement with Golden Business Machines to provide Canon copiers throughout the District was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

APPOINT BOARD SECRETARY

Per Board Policy #005, the school directors shall annually, during the month of May in every fourth year, elect a Secretary who shall serve a term of four years beginning the first day in July following such election, and shall not be a member of the Board. A motion to appoint Jamie Mowrey as board secretary was moved by Miller, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

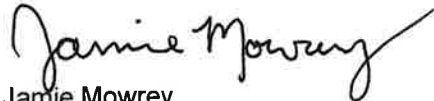
APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY

A motion to approve an agreement with Nutrition, Inc. to oversee the District's food service program for the 2021-2022 school year with a guaranteed loss of no more than \$12,926.95 and, with waivers from USDA, operate under the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) for the entire school year, was moved by Bachman, seconded by Miller. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bingham-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes, and Shope-yes, motion carried.

There will be an executive session following the board meeting for personnel matters, no action to follow.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Fiorini, seconded by Engel. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Attest



Jamie Mowrey
Board Secretary