

August 9, 2021

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

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

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

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

Visitors: Brenda Trimble, Tom Henderson, Elizabeth Kymble, Elyse Schopfer, Joe Simon, Patrick McCormick, Aubrey Quimby, Danielle Bradley, James Bradley and Micah Labarre.

#### **SCHOOL DIRECTOR RESIGNATION – AIRNEEZER PAGE BINGHAM**

A motion to approve the letter of resignation from Airneezzer Page Bingham from her position of school director of Region I was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

#### **APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORT**

A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report for June 2021 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

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

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$1,161,864.58 as funds become available was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, 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 \$4,767.70 as funds become available was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes, Rupert-yes and Shope-yes; motion carried.

#### **APPROVE MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2021, as written was moved by Cramer, seconded by Fiorini. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AND SWASD**

A motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Education Association and the South Williamsport Area School District for the increase of Long-Term Substitute Rates was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Rupert. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

##### **EMPLOYMENT – RESIGNATIONS**

Dr. Stamm, Superintendent, presented a list of resignations that have been accepted.

- Dawn Storms from her 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Grade Paraprofessional position effective July 23, 2021
- Griffin Molino from his Varsity Boys Soccer Assistant Coach position effective August 2, 2021

### **EMPLOYMENT – DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES/ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL**

A motion to approve hiring Maria Pierce for the Director of Student Services/Elementary Principal position effective immediately; she will be a 240 day employee under the Act 93 Agreement with a starting salary of \$90,000 prorated from her first day of employment was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Rupert-yes; motion carried.

### **EMPLOYMENT – ELEMENTARY ART TEACHER**

A motion to approve hiring Kendra Billman for the Elementary Art Teacher position beginning with the 2021-2022 school year at a salary of \$45,772 based on step B-1 of the South Williamsport Area Education Association Agreement was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

### **EMPLOYMENT – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE READING TEACHER**

A motion to approve hiring Lisa Samar for the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading Teacher position beginning with the 2021-2022 school year at a salary of \$73,603 based on step M-14 of the South Williamsport Area Education Association Agreement was moved by Cramer, seconded by Fiorini. Roll call: Bachman-no, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

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

A motion to approve hiring Lindsay Bauer as a long-term substitute for the 2021-2022 school year to cover daily absences for elementary teachers at a rate of \$175 per day plus benefits as listed under the South Williamsport Area Education Association Agreement was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

### **EMPLOYMENT**

A motion to approve the hiring of the following individuals was moved by Miller, seconded by Rupert.

- Full time custodian – 3<sup>rd</sup> Shift – Melissa Hiller at \$11.50 per hour based on the AFSCME agreement
- Instructional paraprofessionals
  - Selena Lopez at the High School for 6 hours per day at a rate of \$13.24 per hour in accordance with the Education Support Professionals Association
  - Melissa Smith at Central Elementary for 6.5 hours per day at a rate of \$13.24 per hour in accordance with the Education Support Professionals Association
- Lunch monitor – Gina Stoetzel for 3 hours per day at a rate of \$11.54 per hour in accordance with the Education Support Professionals Association
- Substitutes
  - Certified Substitutes: Suzanne Bastian, Jean Cohick, Yvonne Lentz, Phyllis McKernan, Sharon O'Malley, Ann Schopfer and Marjorie Wonderlich
  - Classified Substitutes: Mae Allvord, Christine Bickel, Connie Bilby, Samantha Carey, Cody Conser, Chris Gottschall, Skye McNamee, Ken Mundorff, Connie Sciacca, and Louise Waldman
- Event Security Staff – Dean Kriebel and Amy Kriebel
- Athletic Coaches
  - Football – Shane Miller-Volunteer; Bill Giles-Volunteer; and Rich Schonewolf-Volunteer
  - Head Boys' Basketball Coach – Joe Simon at \$4,906
- Fall Game Workers – Stacie Bieber, Nancy Bieber, Steve Bieber, Karen Geise, Terry Kopp, Jaimee Kopp, Christy Pinkerton, Fran Kropp, Doug Betz, Mike Clark, and Aaron Green

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

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

A motion to approve the following child bearing/child rearing leave requests was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer

- Employee #1281 from September 20, 2021 through December 13, 2021
- Employee #489 from October 18, 2021 through December 23, 2021

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

### **JUSTICE WORKS YOUTHCARE BEHAVIORAL ANALYST AGREEMENT**

A motion to approve the Behavioral Analyst Agreement with Justice Works YouthCare for the 2021-2022 school year was moved by Bachman, seconded by Miller. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

### **JUSTICE WORKS YOUTHCARE ACT 48 PROGRAM PLACEMENT AGREEMENT**

A motion to approve the Act 48 Program Placement Agreement with Justice Works YouthCare for the 2021-2022 school year at a cost of \$80 per seat per school day for regular education and \$88 per seat per school day for special education was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN UPDATE**

Dr. Mark Stamm, Superintendent, provided an information update about the Health and Safety Plan.

### **FACILITY USE**

A motion to allow Groups A & B to use District facilities as determined by the Superintendent was moved by Miller, seconded by Rupert. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

### **APPROVE POLICIES – SECOND READING**

A motion to approve the following policies for second reading was moved by Miller, seconded by Bachman.

- Policy No. 236.1 – Threat Assessment
- Policy No. 218.1 – Weapons
- Policy No. 218.2 – Terroristic Threats
- Policy No. 247 – Hazing
- Policy No. 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying
- Policy No. 805 – Emergency Response
- Policy No. 805.2 – Security Personnel

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Rupert-yes; motion carried.

### **TRANSPORTATION DRIVERS FOR 2021-2022**

A motion to approve the following transportation drivers for 2021-2022 was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer.

- Assigned Drivers: Lee Bernstein, Wesley Robey, Rob Fritz, Jeff Dugan, Nancy Bieber, Nubia Garrido, Charlie Brooks, Christine Shifflet, and Paul Biblehimer
- Substitute Drivers: Keith Doverspike, Shane Hanley, Rich Hawk, Shane Heydrich, Matthew Horn, Keith Jordan, Cam Kephart, Becky Nettleton, Brandon Nettleton, Kristopher Runner, Rex Schrum, Doug Wirth, and Bob Smith.

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Fiorini-yes, Miller-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

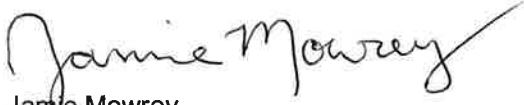
### **COURTESY TO THE FLOOR**

The following individuals spoke about the following topics:

- Joe Simon – Boys' Basketball
- Tom Henderson – school board discussion

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Engel, seconded by Rupert. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Attest

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jamie Mowrey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping flourish at the end.

Jamie Mowrey  
Board Secretary