

November 1, 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, Todd Engel.

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

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

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

Visitors: Jonathan Thompson, Nate Hicks, A Grace Hicks, Amanda White, Jessica Smith, Ben Brigandi, Elyse Schopfer, Matt Krach, and Mike Reuther – SunGazette.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER FOR REGION I

There were 2 applicants for the vacant Region I position – Ben Brigandi and Jessica Smith. Shope nominated Brigandi. Bowman nominated Smith. There being no additional nominations, Engel closed nominations. Roll call: Bachman: Brigandi, Bowman: Smith, Cramer: Smith, Engel: Brigandi, LaBarre: Smith, Rupert: Brigandi, Shope: Brigandi. Ben Brigandi was appointed to the vacant Region I position.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2021 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-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 \$1,597,093.36 as funds become available was moved by Cramer, seconded by Shope. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-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 \$75,616.73 as funds become available was moved by Rupert, seconded by LaBarre. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-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 \$69,132.00 as funds become available was moved by LaBarre, seconded by Rupert. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-yes, Rupert-yes and Shope-yes; motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of October 4, 2021 and October 18, 2021, as written was moved by Bachman, seconded by LaBarre. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

ADOPTION OF PLANNED INSTRUCTION – BRIDGES TO LEARNING

A motion to approve the creation of the Bridges to Learning Program using a Venture Grant with Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) funds to create a single drop-in center to support students who are participating in cyber learning was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

A motion to approve Eric Gerber's overnight field trip requests to take wrestling participants to Mount Aloysius College on December 17-18, 2021 and to Tunkhannock High School on December 29-30, 2021 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-yes, Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT

A motion to approve employment of the following individuals was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer

- **Event Security Staff** – Frank Zaydell for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Substitutes** – Heather Rogers as a certified substitute for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Guest Teachers** – Michael Board, Eric Fraley, Gerald Hammaker, Cheri Ostrom, Jesse Rocco, Matthew Solomon, and Lindsey Tawny for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Stipends** – Eric Gerber and Brooke Rowles as Freshman Class Advisors at a stipend of \$200 per person.
- **Coaches** – for the 2021-2022 season
 - **Boys Basketball** – JJ Manikowski as a Volunteer
 - **Girls Basketball** – Ryan Brown as JV Coach at \$3,685; Tom Marnon as a Volunteer
 - **Wrestling** – Tyler Watts as Varsity Assistant at \$3,113; Eric Cashera, Nate Jones, & Robert Gardner as Varsity Volunteers; Chris Lusk as Head Jr High Coach at \$2,420; Scott White, Nick Lorson, Paul Gephart, Erick Fortin as Jr High Volunteers

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

PERSONNEL ACTION

A motion to approve to provide a minimum of two paid coaching positions for each sport during their regular season, retroactive to the beginning of the 2021-2022 school term was moved by Bachman, seconded by LaBarre. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

BAYADA CONTRACT

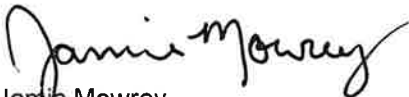
A motion to approve the contract with Bayada for In-School Nursing Services for a specific student for the 2021-2022 school year was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-yes; Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

APPROVE POLICY – FIRST READING

A motion to approve the first reading of revisions to Policy 004 – Local Board Procedures, Policy 005 – Organization and Committees, and Policy 006 – Local Board Procedures was moved by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, LaBarre-yes, Rupert-yes; and Shope-yes; motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bachman, seconded by Cramer. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Attest



Jamie Mowrey
Board Secretary