

June 20, 2022

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order at 6:09 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, Brigandi, Bukeavich, Cramer, Engel, Hitesman, and Rupert.

Others Present: Maria Pierce – Director of Student Services/Rommelt Principal, Bill Reifsnyder – Director of Buildings & Grounds, Mark Stamm – Superintendent, Tom Burkhart – Solicitor, and Jamie Mowrey – Business Manager.

Visitors: Hilarie German, Melissa Stahl, Amanda White, Lisa Arp, Elyse Shopfer, and Pat Crossley – Williamsport SunGazette.

There was an executive session prior to the meeting regarding student discipline.

APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$1,653,148.60 as funds become available was moved by Bachman, seconded by Brigandi. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-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 \$78,919.03 as funds become available was moved by Bukeavich, seconded by Rupert. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-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 \$2,922.30 as funds become available was moved by Cramer, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of May 23, 2022 and June 6, 2022, as written was moved by Hitesman, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

STUDENT SERVICES PRESENTATION

Mrs. Maria Pierce, Director of Student Services, presented information to the Board regarding student services such as the "Healthy Me, Health Us" Comprehensive School Based Mental Health Program, the "Second Step" Social and Emotional Learning Program, the District's Bullying Prevention Program, the District's Positive Behavior Programs, and the Multi-Tiered System of Supports.

ADJUDICATION OF STUDENT DISCIPLINE

A motion to adopt adjudication for the student discipline hearing held prior to the board meeting was moved by Brigandi, seconded by Hitesman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

ADA ACCESSIBLE RAMP – ENGINEERING DESIGN PROPOSAL

A motion to approve the engineering proposal from Larson Design Group for \$4,000 for feasibility study and concept design, cost options, final design, and construction documents for bid for an ADA Ramp at Central Elementary was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

FINAL BUDGET FOR 2022-2023

A motion to approve the 2022-2023 final budget with budgeted revenues of \$20,399,816 and budgeted expenses of \$20,399,816 with 1.0 mill real estate tax increase was moved by Rupert, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-no, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

ADOPTION OF THE 2022-2023 TAX LEVY RESOLUTION

A motion to approve the Tax Levy Resolution to support the 2022-2023 General Fund Budget with real estate taxes at 18.35 mills, earned income tax rate at 1.1% and realty transfer tax rate at 0.5% was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bukeavich. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-no, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

2022 HOMESTEAD/FARMSTEAD EXCLUSION RESOLUTION

A motion to approve the 2022 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution at an assessed value of \$16,211 which calculates to a \$297.47 tax credit was moved by Bachman, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

COMMITTED FUND BALANCE

A motion to remove the remaining \$50,000 of Committed Fund Balance for PSERS increases was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

2022-2023 CAPITAL RESERVE BUDGET

A motion to approve the 2022-2023 Capital Reserve Budget not to exceed \$76,191 was moved by Cramer, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

BANK LOAN RESOLUTION

A motion to approve the Bank Loan Resolution for the financing of the school district's capital projects was moved by Rupert, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 2022-2023 AGREEMENTS

A motion to approve the following 2022-2023 agreements was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman.

- 2022-2023 IDEA Agreement with Blast IU 17
- 2022-2023 Special Education Services Agreement with Blast IU 17
- 2022-2025 Technology Services Agreement for Data Hosting with Blast IU 17
- 2022-2023 Technology Services Agreement for Network Engineer/Other Technology Services with Blast IU 17
- 2022-2023 DaRTS Software Agreement with Blast IU 17
- 2022-2023 Service Agreement with MCIU for Report Card Creator PowerSchool Plug-In
- 2022-2023 Contract for Pediatric Therapy Services with UPMCW Williamsport d/b/a UPMC Pediatric Rehabilitation

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

A motion to approve the Health and Safety Plan for the 2022-2023 school year was moved by Brigandi, seconded by Cramer. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT – INFORMATIONAL

Dr. Stamm, Superintendent, accepted letters of resignation from the following employees:

- Laura Miller's resignation from her Paraprofessional position at Rommelt Elementary effective June 3, 2022
- Scott Shaffer's resignation from his Crossing/Security Guard position effective June 3, 2022
- Johanna Hazel's resignation from her Food Service position at the High School effective June 6, 2022
- Ryan Carper's resignation from his High School Social Studies Teacher and Social Studies Department Chair positions at the High School effective August 13, 2022

EMPLOYMENT – ATHLETIC COACHES

A motion to approve the following coaches and their stipends/rates of pay for the 2022-2023 season moved by Bachman, seconded by Brigandi.

- Football – Chris Lusk as 1st Assistant at \$4,759; Chris Engler as 2nd Assistant at \$3,003; Randy Boone as 3rd Assistant at \$2,854; Connor Rutan as 4th Assistant at \$2,854; Ryan Barnes as a volunteer; Gideon Green as a volunteer; Rich Schonewolf as a volunteer; Tyler Schonewolf as a volunteer; Scott White as Junior High Assistant at \$2,764; Matt Bartholomew as a JH volunteer; Bill Giles as a JH volunteer; and Shane Miller as a JH volunteer.
- Marching Band – Jessica Kaledas as Director at \$5,326; Robyn Rummings as Assistant Director at \$3,265; Tina Pulver as Band Front Instructor at \$3,265; Ellen Benfer as Percussion Director at \$1,037; and Marcus Loner as Percussion Director at \$1,037.
- Girls Soccer – Jane House as Assistant at \$2,856; Tracy Knoebel as a volunteer.
- Cross Country – Kerry Taylor as a volunteer.
- Junior High Cross Country – Julie Pentico as Head Coach at \$2,027 and Tracy Knoebel as a volunteer.
- Cheerleading – Christine Miller as Head Coach at \$3,681; Mackenzie Miller as Assistant at \$2,856; Aubrey Quimby as JH Head Coach as \$2,500; and Monica Boone as JH Assistant at \$2,074.
- Junior High Softball – Tom O'Malley as Head Coach at \$2,500; Adam Lorson as Assistant at \$2,142; Cory Goodman as a volunteer; Scott Lowery as a volunteer; and Chris Schuler as a volunteer.
- Girls Tennis – Kent Young as Assistant at \$2,475
- Boys Soccer – Michael Gonzalez as Assistant at \$2,856.

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

MINI VAN DISPOSAL

A motion to dispose of the district's mini-van was moved by Bachman, seconded by Hitesman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

BASEBALL FIELD USE BY LYCOMING COLLEGE

A motion to approve the use of the baseball field by Lycoming College for 16 dates between September 5 and October 1, 2022 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bukeavich. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Bowman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes; motion carried.

COURTESY TO THE FLOOR

The following individuals spoke about the following topics:

- Lisa Arp – 5th classroom for Grade 3

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rupert, seconded by Cramer. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Attest
Jamie Mowrey
Board Secretary

