

October 3, 2022

The work session of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order at 6:00 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, Brigandi, Bukeavich, Cramer, Engel, Hitesman, and Rupert.

Others Present: Michele Loomis – Central Elementary, Dwight Woodley – Director of Innovative Learning/IT, Bill Reifsnnyder – Director of Buildings & Grounds, Eric Briggs – Superintendent, Tom Burkhart – Solicitor, and Jamie Mowrey – Business Manager.

Visitors: Brenda Trimble, Ty Gatling, and Grace Phillips.

There was an executive session prior to the meeting regarding safety and security. No action to follow.

ACTION ITEMS

EMPLOYMENT – COACHES

A motion to approve Dean Kriebel as Head Girls Varsity Basketball Coach a for the 2022-2023 season at a rate of \$4,756 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Cramer. Roll Call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Cramer-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, and Rupert-yes.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADA ACCESSIBLE RAMP AT CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

Dr. Briggs informed the school board that there is currently one quote for \$138,000 for the ADA Accessible Ramp at Central Elementary. Dr. Briggs met with South Williamsport Borough to discuss potential funding source for some of the cost of the ramp. The District is also waiting to hear back on a quote from a chair lift company.

SCOREBOARD PROJECT AT THE BALL FIELDS

Dr. Briggs discussed Phase I of the Scoreboard project which is to get electricity to the property. A permit was obtained to be able to run electricity. Wires will run from an existing pole on E Mountain Avenue to a new above ground pole in the vicinity of the bike rack. Then, the remainder will be run underground to a junction box which is approximately 740 away from the new pole. The estimated cost is \$9,580.

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY RENOVATION PROJECT.

Dr. Briggs presented a historical timeline of the Central Elementary project. A Feasibility Study was performed in 2018-2019. In Summer 2019, a matrix of options was presented. Option 2b was modified, refined and selected as the final option for design which arranged Central Elementary as K-6, High School as 7-12, and a new stadium built between the schools. Design work began; however, everything was put on hold due to COVID-19. In Fall of 2021, the Feasibility Study was revisited and the Central Elementary would become K-5 and the High School would become 6-12. Since January 2022, the Central Elementary project was reduced to a maintenance project to upgrade mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems.

After discussions regarding grade level configurations, timing of construction, and layouts, there was consensus from the board to gather more information from McKissick Associates. Specifically, there are 4 scenarios with projected cost amounts that are requested.

- Grades K-5 at Central Elementary; additional classrooms on the West end, multi-purpose room/cafeteria on the East end
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- Grades K-6 at Central Elementary; additional classrooms on the West end, multi-purpose room/cafeateria on the East end
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Dr. Briggs will request these scenarios be prepared and ready to be discussed at the Building Committee meeting on Wednesday, October 26, 2022.

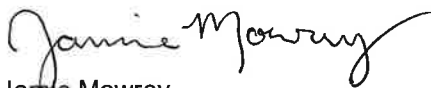
COURTESY TO THE FLOOR

The following individuals spoke on the following topics:

- Ty Gatling – student threats

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

Attest



Jamie Mowrey
Board Secretary