

November 18, 2024

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order at 6:00 PM in the High School Auditorium by the Vice President, Steve Rupert.

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

Board Members Present: Bachman, Brigandi, Bukeavich, Hitesman, Lewis, Rupert, and Young.

Others Present: Kimberly Bollinger – High School Assistant Principal, Maria Pierce – Rommelt Principal/Director of Student Services, Dyan Frame – Central Elementary Principal, Kristin Bastian – Director of Special Education/School Psychologist, Dwight Woodley – Director of Innovative Learning/IT, Bill Reifsnnyder – Director of Buildings and Grounds, Eric Briggs – Superintendent, Jamie Mowrey – Business Manager, and Fred Holland – Solicitor.

Visitors: Matt Krach, Charles Haefner, Jess Watson, Matt Courter – SunGazette, and Damion Spahr – SitelogIQ.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the treasurer's report from October 2024 was moved by Young, seconded by Brigandi. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Hitesman-yes, Lewis-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

APPROVE BILLS

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$1,659,565.94, Food Service Fund in the amount of \$43,675.41, Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$9,094.25, GO Note 2022 in the amount of \$793.75, and GO Bond 2023 in the amount of \$31,109.88 as funds become available was moved by Bachman, seconded by Young. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Hitesman-yes, Lewis-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of October 22, 2024 and November 4, 2024 as written was moved by Hitesman, seconded by Brigandi. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Hitesman-yes, Lewis-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

A motion to approve the Health and Safety Plan was moved by Bachman, seconded by Bukeavich. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Hitesman-yes, Lewis-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP

A motion to approve Robyn Rummung's out of state field trip request to take High School Chorus students to New York City, NY on May 21, 2025 to attend the Broadway Show "The Lion King" was moved by Young, seconded by Brigandi. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Hitesman-yes, Lewis-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

EXPULSION WAIVER

A motion to approve the expulsion waiver for a district student until the end of the 2024-2025 school year was moved by Bachman, seconded by Young. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Hitesman-yes, Lewis-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT – INFORMATIONAL

Dr. Briggs accepted the resignation from the following employees:

- Perry Haldeman, for retirement purposes, from his full-time maintenance position effective February 28, 2025.
- Carolyn Dangle from her school nurse position effective December 4, 2024

EMPLOYMENT

A motion to approve the following employment was moved by Bachman, seconded by Young.

- Paraprofessional – Kristin Decker at the Junior Senior High School effective November 19, 2024 for 6 hours per day at a rate of \$15.74 per hour in accordance with the South Williamsport Education Support Professionals Association
- Coaches for the 2024-2025 season
 - Baseball – Adam Hook as JV Baseball Coach at \$2,340
 - Elementary Girls Basketball Volunteers – Nate Booth, Kelsey Barrett, and Brian McLaughlin
 - Wrestling Volunteers – Ben Foote and Kayvan Shams

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Hitesman-yes, Lewis-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2025 BOARD MEETING DATES

The school board reviewed 3 options of meeting dates and discussed that all meetings should be called regular meetings rather than work sessions. A final version of dates will be presented at the December reorganization meeting.

COURTESY TO THE FLOOR

The following individuals spoke about the following topics:

- Charles Haefner – Kooth and mental health services

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Young, seconded by Bukeavich. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 PM.

Attest



Jamie Mowrey
Board Secretary