

WELLSBORO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2019

- I. Call to Order by President, LaRue Reese at 6:36 pm in the Old Music Room, Administration Office, 227 Nichols Street, Wellsboro, PA.
- II. President Reese led the Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call of Members: LaRue Reese, Susan Judlin, John Hoover, Wayne Hackett, Matthew Feil, David Messineo.
Absent--Kacy Hagan, Chris Gastrock and Tracy Doughtie

Present were the following: Dr. Brenda Freeman, Superintendent, Bonnie Thompson, Business Manager/Board Secretary, Steve Adams, Elementary Principal, Robert Kreger, Middle School Principal, Mike Pietropola, Curriculum Director, Emily Ostrom Graham, High School Principal, Daren Bryant, Director of Building and Grounds.

Visitors Present: Ariana Carleton, High School Student Representative, Lauren Kosek, Elementary Student Representative, Natalie Kennedy, Wellsboro Gazette, Heather Callahan, Krista Falk, Brandon Falk, Falk Triplets, Chad Boyce, Dennis & Diana Mack, Anne Andergg, Jolen Andergg, Annette Nuss, MJ Freeman, Jessica Gay, Lee Stocks

- IV. Announcement of any Executive Sessions – Tuesday, March 5, 2019, 6:00 PM, Conference Room, for the purpose of student matters and personnel matter; Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 6:00 PM, Conference Room, for the purpose of personnel matter;
- V. Concerned Resident Issues - None
- VI. Approval of Agenda – A motion was made by Sue Judlin, seconded by Matt Feil to approve agenda. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- VII. Board Minutes/Financials – A motion was made by Matt Feil, seconded by Wayne Hackett to approve the Board Minutes/Financials as presented:
 - A. Minutes of Previous Meeting (Policy #006.9)
Regular Board Meeting of February 18, 2019;
 - B. Financial Reports (Policy #006.5)
Board Summary Report (YTD 2/28/2019)
Student Activity Fund Summary
 - C. Approval of Bills (Policy 006.5)
February 2019 General Fund Invoices
February 2019 School Lunch Fund Invoices
Capital Reserve Fund InvoicesThe motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- VIII. Public Comment on Title I and other Federal Programs - None
- IX. A. Reports (Policy #006.5)
 1. Student Representatives

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2. Superintendent:
 - a. Student of the Month Award Certificates
 - b. Presentation by Wellsboro Police Officer Boyce, who is also 1st Asst Chief for Wellsboro Fire Department to Owen Falk as honorary junior firefighter.
 - c. Would like support for Senate Bill 34 and House Bill 526 which are Cyber Charter bills that if a school district has a cyber program, students must elect to take that program or it becomes the expense of the parent to send them to another cyber school. Cyber Schools are not free.
 - d. Kudos to Elementary PTO who raise just shy of \$12,000 in book fair and \$17,000 in candy sales.
3. Business Office - working on Act 5 PSERS changes that take effect July 1st.
4. Administrators
5. Board Members
 - Dave Messineo stated the US Dept of Education released their 19-20 budget summary.
 - LaRue Reese attended the Skills banquet and recognized their achievements.

X. **CONSENT ITEMS**

A motion was made by Matthew Feil, seconded by Sue Judlin, to approve the Consent Items as follows:

1. **ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION**

- A. **Private Parent Transportation Contracts**
Consideration of approval for a private parent transportation contract for Tracey Bowen (AM/PM) for the school year 2018-19, IRS mileage set at \$.58 per mile.
- B. **Second Reading and Final Adoption of revised WASD Board Policy #217**
Consideration of approval for the second reading and final adoption of revised WASD Board Policy #217 – Section: PUPILS; Title: GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
- C. **Budgetary Transfers for School Year 2018-19**
Consideration of approval for the budgetary transfers for school year 2018-19 as presented.
- D. **Memorandum of Understanding with Bradford-Tioga Head Start, Inc.**
Consideration of approval for the Memorandum of Understanding between Bradford-Tioga Head Start, Inc. and Wellsboro Area School District, as presented.
- E. **WASD School Calendar for School Year 2019-2020**
Consideration of approval for the Wellsboro Area School District 2019-2020 School Calendar as presented.

2. **PERSONNEL**

- A. **Extra-Curricular Volunteer Appointments for School Year 2018-19**
Consideration of approval for the following extra-curricular volunteer appointments for:
 1. Sean Callahan as High School Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach effective March 13 – June 14, 2019.
- B. **Conference Requests**
Consideration of approval for the following conference requests:
 1. Matthew Hildebrand, Don Gill 3rd Grade Teacher, to attend STEM Toolkit Initiative Work-Group on April 30th and May 1st, 2019, in Williamsport, PA (approximate costs of travel: \$120.64 and substitute costs of \$280 to be paid out of Building Budget)
 2. Brandy Swartz, 2nd Grade Teacher, Hannah Miller, 4th Grade Teacher, Kristopher Davis, Charlotte Lappla Learning/Emotional Support Teacher, Irene Appel, 1st Grade Teacher, and Laura Lightner, Kindergarten/1st Grade Teacher, to attend APL Training, Mansfield University, Mansfield, PA on March 8, 2019 (approximate costs of \$715.08 (\$700 for substitutes to be paid from Professional Development Fund) and \$15.08 for mileage from Building Budget)

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C. Support Staff Resignation

Consideration of approval to accept letters of resignation from:

1. Tina Stadler, full-time Charlotte Lappala Elementary Custodian, effective Thursday, March 7, 2019;
2. Andrea Newton, part-time Special Education Learning Support Instructional Aide, effective March 22, 2019;

3. **STUDENT**

A. Request for Homebound Instruction

Consideration of approval for the following Request for Homebound Instruction for the school year 2018-19:

1. For Student #8 HB 2018-2019 as per his family physician for a period of thirty (30) days, commencing February 18, 2019;

B. In Lieu of Expulsion Agreement

Consideration of approval for In Lieu of Expulsion Agreement for Student #3 E-2018-19.

Roll call vote. All votes were affirmative. The motion carried.

XI. **ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION**

- A. Resolution Urging General Assembly to Adequately Invest in Public Schools & Students – A motion was made by Sue Judlin, seconded by Wayne Hackett for approval for the Resolution Urging the General Assembly to Adequately Invest in Public Schools and Students, as presented.

Roll call vote. The motion passed with a negative vote cast by Dave Messineo.

- B. Textbook Adoption – A motion was made by Matt Feil, seconded by Sue Judlin for approval to adopt and purchase the following textbook:

1. *“Foundations of Restaurant Management Culinary Level 1 and 2 (Second Edition)”*; Copyright 2018 by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation; \$98 cost per book; said textbook was approved at Curriculum Council Committee Meeting of February 18, 2019;

Roll call vote. All votes were affirmative. The motion passed.

2. **PERSONNEL**

- A. Extra-Curricular Hires- A motion was made by Sue Judlin, seconded by Matt Feil for approval for the extra-curricular hires for school year 2018-19:

1. Chase Kriner as High School Boys Basketball Head Coach, for a pro-rated stipend of \$3,526.20 effective November 16, 2018 – January 14, 2019; (C. Kriner’s resignation was approved by the Board at the February 18, 2019 Board Meeting)
2. Todd Outman as High School Boys Basketball Assistant Coach, for a pro-rated stipend of \$2,252.60 effective November 16, 2018 – January 14, 2019;
3. Todd Outman as High School Boys Basketball Head Coach, for a pro-rated stipend of \$1,704.64 effective January 15 – February 11, 2019;
4. Dan Marple, High School Boys Basketball Assistant Coach, for a pro-rated stipend of \$914.48 effective January 15 – February 11, 2019;
5. Dr. Howard Iseri as High School Boys Track Head Coach, for a stipend of \$3,518 effective March 13 – May 25, 2019;
6. Tiphonie Stocks as High School Boys Track Assistant Coach, for a stipend of \$2,399 effective March 13 – May 25, 2019;

Roll call vote. All votes were affirmative. The motion passed.

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B. Support Staff Hires – A motion was made by Matt Feil, seconded by Wayne Hackett for approval for the following hires:

1. Alexandra Lundgren, Special Education Instructional Aide 1:1, part-time (5 hrs. per day/9 months) effective March 13, 2019, at a starting rate of \$10.00 per hour during the first 60 working day probationary period. Upon satisfactory completion of the probationary period, starting rate of pay will be \$10.91 per hour. This hire is contingent on satisfactory completion of required coursework at PATTAN.
2. Margaret Sensenig, Special Education Instructional Aide, part-time (5 hrs. per day/9 months), effective March 25, 2019 at a starting rate of \$10.91 (60 working day probationary period waived due to prior employment in 2018.)

Roll call vote. All votes were affirmative. The motion passed.

XII. Public Comment - None

XIII. Adjournment – The motion was made by Matt Feil, seconded by Dave Messineo to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM. All ayes.



Bonnie Thompson, Board Secretary
Wellsboro Area School District
Board of Education