

WYOMISSING AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

630 Evans Avenue
Wyomissing, PA 19610

Our Mission

The Wyomissing Area School District, in partnership with parents and community, is committed to:

- educate all students to their fullest potential*
- provide all students with the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills to be successful in the 21st century*
- encourage all students to be productive, responsible citizens and lifelong learners.*

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Mr. David H. Robbins, Acting Superintendent

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Monday, March 23, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.

Community Board Room

OPENING

- I. Call to Order – Mr. John A. Larkin, Board President, Presiding
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Announcement of Recording by the Public
- IV. Roll Call by Secretary
- V. Welcome to Visitors

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETINGS

- April 14, 2009 – Personnel/Policy Committee – 5:00 p.m.
- April 14, 2009 – Finance/Facilities Committee – Following Personnel/Policy Meeting
- April 27, 2009 – Curriculum/Technology Committee – 5:00 p.m.
- April 27, 2009 – School Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

All listed meetings will be held in the Community Board Room at the Jr./Sr. High School.

PRESENTATION

- I. Recognition of Winter Sports Champions – Jennifer Motze

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS/AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

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MINUTES & CORRESPONDENCE

- I. Approve Board Meeting Minutes –
 - February 23, 2009 Board Meeting

BOARD MOTION

Move that the Board of School Directors approve the board meeting minutes as noted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS

Finance/Facilities

- I. Approve Financial Reports – February 2009 that are included in the official minute book and provided to Board members.
- II. Approve payment of properly approved vendor invoices for the General Fund, Athletic Fund, Food Service Fund, Capital Reserve Fund and Capital Project Fund.
- III. Approve General Fund Budget Transfers in the amount of \$114,307.
- IV. Approve Athletic Fund Budget Transfers in the amount of \$2,195.
- V. Approve Berks Career & Technology Center 2009-10 Budget.

Background Information: The proposed maximum share amount for the Wyomissing Area School District for 2009-10 is \$226,216 which is an increase of 9% from 2008-09. The individual school district's contribution to the budget is determined by a proportionate share calculation that looks at audited enrollment figures from the three previous years (see blue booklet).

BOARD MOTION

Move that the Board of School Directors approve the Finance/Facilities items as noted.

Curriculum/Technology

- I. Approve Secondary English Department Summer Reading List.
- II. Approve Human Development Materials for Grade 6.

Background: Part of the approved health/science curriculum for grade 6 is a unit about human development. The recommendation is to replace the out-dated videotape resource about puberty and the changes associated with this period of human development with a DVD produced by Procter and Gamble entitled "Always Changing." There is a version for grade 6 girls and another for grade 6 boys. The video can be viewed on-line by going to www.pgschoolprograms.com and clicking "puberty."

BOARD MOTION

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Move that the Board of School Directors approve the Curriculum/Technology items as noted.

Personnel/Policy

I. Approve Professional Retirements:

- a. **Rosemary A. Shannon**, Elementary Teacher at WHEC, retirement effective the end of the 2008-09 school year.
- b. **Rita Tomashitis**, Elementary Teacher at WREC, retirement effective June 12, 2009.

II. Approve Professional Employee Status - **Jennifer Lengel**, Elementary Spanish Teacher, WHEC.

Background Information: As a temporary professional employee Ms. Lengel has completed three years of satisfactory service to the Wyomissing Area School District and therefore is entitled to become a professional employee subject to the provision of the "Public School Code of 1949."

III. Approve New Professional Position - Speech and Language Pathologist, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

IV. Ratify Administrative Appointment - **David H. Robbins**, Acting Superintendent, effective February 2, 2009 for no longer than one year.

V. Approve Extension to Child Rearing Leave - **Maria Gernert**, Secondary Spanish Teacher at the JSBS, from on or about May 11, 2009 to the beginning of the 2009-10 school year.

VI. Approve/Ratify FMLA Leaves:

- a. **Kristy L. Martin**, Secondary Learning Support Teacher at the JSBS, a family and medical leave of absence and child rearing leave, effective August 25, 2009, returning November 19, 2009.
- b. **Jennifer Motze**, Athletic Director, a family and medical leave of absence effective March 30, 2009 for approximately 5 days.
- c. **Dawn Schropp**, Crossing Guard/Cafeteria Monitor at WREC, a family and medical leave of absence effective January 29, 2009 and returning February 4, 2009.
- d. **Louise Werthman-Mitchell**, Secondary Teacher at the JSBS, a family and medical leave of absence effective February 17, 2009 and returning February 25, 2009.

VII. Ratify Unpaid Leave Requests:

- a. **Barbara Brehony**, Full-time Building Secretary at WHEC, unpaid leave March 11-13, 2009.
- b. **Cheryl Davis**, Part-time Teacher's Instructional Aide at WHEC, unpaid leave February 19-20, 2009 and February 23-25, 2009.

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- c. **Teresita Gallegos-Rosa**, Part-time Teacher's Instructional Aide at WHEC, unpaid leave March 18-20, 2009.
- d. **Robert Troxel**, Part-time Van Driver, unpaid leave January 13-March 3, 2009.

VIII. Approve Change in Training Date - CPR and First Aid Training for Support Staff at the Reading Hospital from March 6, 2009 to June 10, 2009.

Background Information: Approval was given for a specified group of support staff members to attend CPR and First Aid training at the February 23, 2009 meeting of the Board of School Directors. Due to a quarantine caused by a norovirus outbreak the Reading Hospital had to cancel the March 6, 2009 date and reschedule for June 10, 2009.

IX. Approve Supplemental Activity Advisor Appointment - **Wayne Settle, Jr.** High Drama Producer, 6 points, \$501, effective March 24, 2009, for the remainder of the 2008-09 school year.

X. Approve Supplemental Activities Advisor Appointment - **Dale Derr**, Assistant to the A.D. for Spring at the JSHS, \$1,410, effective March 24, 2009.

XI. Approve/Ratify Weight Room Supervisor Substitutes:

- a. **Justin Moyer**, \$10.78/hr., effective February 23, 2009.
- b. **Andrew Siggins**, \$13/hr., effective March 17, 2009.
- c. **Christopher Miller**, \$13/hr., effective April 21, 2009.
- d. **Jameson Beates**, \$10.78/hr., effective April 21, 2009.
- e. **Kathryn O'Regan**, \$10.78/hr., effective March 9, 2009.
- f. **Nicholas Kennedy**, \$10.78/hr., effective March 10, 2009.
- g. **William Hartman**, \$13/hr., effective April 21, 2009.
- h. **Danielle Mocerri**, \$13/hr., effective April 21, 2009.
- i. **Timothy Hetrich**, \$13/hr., effective April 21, 2009.

XII. Approve additions to the District Volunteer list.

XIII. Approve additions/deletions to the District Substitute list.

XIV. Approve First Reading of the following revised policies/procedures:

- 324 Personnel Files (K. Garman); 324-AR
- 335 FMLA (K. Garman); 335-AR, 335-AR-2
- 424 Personnel Files (K. Garman); 424-AR; 424-AR-1
- 435 FMLA (K. Garman); 435-AR, 435-AR-2
- 524 Personnel Files (K. Garman); 524-AR
- 535 FMLA (K. Garman); 535-AR, 535-AR-2

BOARD MOTION

Move that the Board of School Directors approve the Personnel/Policy items as noted.

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SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- I. Approve Art Major 4 field trip to NYC (MOMA & galleries) on April 17, 2009.
- II. Information Item – Class of 1979 Reunion Breakfast on July 5th.
- III. Information Item – Budget Update

BOARD MOTION

Move that the Board of School Directors approve the Superintendent’s Report item as noted.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- I. Treasurer’s Report (Informational)

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Recognition of Visitors
*The Board welcomes comments on any school subject.
Speakers are requested to identify themselves by name and address.*

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)