Wyoming Area School District Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Area Board of Education 20 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18644 Tuesday, June 28, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was held this evening at the Wyoming Area Secondary Center auditorium, 20 Memorial Street, Exeter, Pennsylvania, 18643, with approximately 100 + people in attendance. A non-public executive session preceded the meeting. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Gober-Mangan, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call:	Mrs. Elizabeth Gober-Mangan, President
	Mrs. Deanna Farrell, Vice President
	Mr. John Marianacci, Secretary
	Mr. Carmen Bolin
	Dr. Estelle Campenni
	Mr. Gerald A. Stofko
	Mrs. Toni Valenti
	Mr. Carl Yorina

Absent:	Mrs. Kimberly A. Yochem, Treasurer
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Also present were: Janet Serino, Superintendent, Attorney Jarrett J. Ferentino, School Solicitor, Sherri Petrokonis, Albert B. Melone Company, (in the absence of Thomas Melone), Vito Quaglia, Secondary Center Principal, Cathy Ranieli, Assistant Secondary Center Principal, Jon Pollard, Elementary Building Principal of Tenth St./JFK, Joseph Long, Elementary Building Principal of Montgomery Ave./SJD, Vanessa Nee, Special Education Director, Camilla Granteed, School Psychologist, Frank Pugliese, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds.

Communications Report

Mr. Marianacci read the Communications Report.

- 1. Luzerne Intermediate Unit's minutes of regular meeting of April 27, 2016.
- 2. Christina Donati, Special Education Teacher at Montgomery Avenue, requesting permission to take a maternity leave of absence.
- 3. Patti Drendall, Personal Care Aide at Tenth Street, requesting for the board to rescind her her request to take a medical leave scheduled to begin on May 24, 2016.
- 4. Mary Rose Lukesh, Kindergarten Teacher at Tenth Street, submitting her letter of intent to retire.
- 5. Barbara Moore, 2nd Grade Teacher at Tenth Street, submitting her letter of intent to retire.
- 6. Phyllis Smiles, Language Enrichment/Reading Teacher at Secondary Center, submitting her letter of intent to retire.
- 7. Ed DeLucca, Technical Education Teacher, submitting his letter of intent to retire.
- 8. Stanley Wycoski, President of the Wyoming Area Football Parents Association, requesting permission to hold various fundraisers and activities for the 2016 football season.
- 9. Wyoming Area Ice Hockey Association requesting a monetary donation from the district for the 2016-2017 season.

- 10. Thomas Campenni, Wyoming Area Football Alumni Association, requesting permission to hold various fundraisers and activities for the 2016 football season.
- 11. Beth Connor, Perfect Harmony Center for the Arts, requesting permission to rent the auditorium and lobby at \$100.00 for a recital.
- 12. Michelle Klaproth, President of the Wyoming Area Drama Club Parents Association, requesting permission to hold various fundraisers and activities for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 13. Melissa Collevechio, Foodservice Director, requesting permission to attend the School Nutrition Association of Pennsylvania Conference in Hershey, PA.
- 14. Richard Dushok, Custodian at Montgomery Avenue, requesting permission to extend his unpaid medical leave until further notice.
- 15. Darla Dickson, Part-time Cleaner, submitting her letter of resignation.
- 16. Lisa Minnelli, President of the Wyoming Area Tennis Booster Club, requesting permission to hold a tennis picnic.
- 17. Erin Viglione, Physical Education Teacher, requesting permission to take a maternity leave.
- 18. Antoinette Jones submitting her letter of intent to return to work for the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.
- 19. Juel Anne Klepadlo, on behalf of the Kiwanis and Key Club, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria and parking lot for a community yard sale.
- 20. Rick Branco submitting his letter of resignation as Head Boys Varsity Soccer Coach.
- 21. Nancy Bronsburg, Wyoming Area Boys Soccer Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors" and hold a car wash fundraiser.
- 22. Lisa Nardell, Wyoming Area Boys Basketball Parents Association, requesting permission to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors", use of the gym for a boys elementary basketball program and hold fundraisers.
- 23. Lisa Minnelli, President of the Wyoming Area Tennis Booster Club, requesting permission to hold a "Save our Courts" Kick Ball Tournament fundraiser.

Summary of Applications Received Special Education – 3 Elementary – 3 English - 1 Social Studies – 3 Custodian – 12 Summer Help – 32 School Counselor – 1

Administrative Position – 1 Clerical – 1 Music – 1 School Nurse - 2

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Gober-Mangan asked for approval of minutes dated May 17, 2016. All board members voted aye. Motion passed.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Serino read her report.

- 1. Elementary Science Academy will be held in July. We are running two classes with 45 students total. Students from grades 3 6 will attend.
- Our students competed in the Trig-Star competition held by the Pennsylvania Society of Land Surveyors. The Trig- Star is an annual high school mathematics competition based on the practical application of trigonometry. The following students placed:
 - 1. 1st Place Evan Esposito
 - 2. 2nd Place Nikolas Athmann
 - 3. 3rd Place Chris Chipolis

Congratulations to Mrs. Deanna Mennig and our students.

3. 2016-2016 SPRING SPORTS UPDATE

BOYS TENNIS

It was a teaching season; part for teaching tennis itself (lines, scoring, rules, etc.) and part for technique/strategy. Coach Bill Roberts found a lot of good in the final results. The team did not win a scheduled match, however, but as they learned and melded as a team, you could see the obvious improvement. All have committed to returning.

<u>SOFTBALL</u>

The Girls Softball team finished the season with 12 wins and seven (7) losses. The team advanced to the playoffs again this year, but lost to Tunkhannock Area.

JH SOFTBALL

The 2016 Junior High softball team, under new head coach, Dean Carey and 4th year assistant coach Ryan Carey, had a very successful season. Made up of only 7th and 8th graders, the girls managed an impressive 15-2 record. As a result of their efforts, the team won the Wyoming Valley Conference.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Second season of the girls Lacrosse team finished 4-11 on the season, 3-10 in the division with a 7th seed in the playoffs. **Jordan Kelly** finished with 48 goals on the season, followed by **Caitlin Butchko** with 29 goals.

BOYS LACROSSE

Boys Lacrosse finished 6-8 in the regular season. We lost our only playoff game vs. Dallas 7-3. After only one win last year in conference play, the team finished conference play 5-5 this year securing the 5th seed out of 9 teams in the playoffs. We had 13 varsity lettermen and three players named to all-conference teams. **Justin Joseph**, second team face-offs, **Sam Greenfield**, Honorable mention midfield and **Conor McCormick**, honorable mention defense.

TRACK & FIELD

The Wyoming Area boys and girls track and field team had another successful season. The boys went 5-2 overall and the girls were 6-1. The girls finished third in the district meet out of all the school from Wyoming Valley conference and Lackawanna League.

District medalists:

Girls:

The Girls 4x100 relay team gold medalists consisted of: Jalen Rhodes, Jill Spak, Vanessa Shedlock and Bree Bednarski.

Boy's individual medalist:

Sam Giordano, Ryan Murphy, Michael Murphy, Brian Miles.

BASEBALL

The boys' varsity baseball team repeated as the Wyoming Valley Conference AAA Champs. The team finished with a 10-3 regular season record. The boys were the #2 seed in the District Playoffs and lost 2-1 in the semifinals to the eventual District Champions North Pocono.

Tyler Dougherty and **Corey Lescavage** were chosen to participate in the Senior All-Star game that was played at PNC field, Moosic, on June 6th.

At the annual banquet, **Josh Kopcza** and **Corey Lescavage** were chosen co-MVP's by the coaching staff.

A special thank you to the WA School Board, the Borzell Family, the Diamond Club and community volunteers for the purchase and erection of a state of the art scoreboard. The scoreboard was dedicated in honor of former WA student John "Beno" Borzell.

Coach Musto would like to publically thank AD Secretary Paula Denisco for her efforts and flexibility during the season. She is an outstanding individual committed to the entire sports programs at WA.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Gober-Mangan read the Treasurer's Report in the absence of Mrs. Yochem.

First National Community Bank	General Fund	3,528,886.95
First National Community Bank	Payroll Account	380,172.33
First National Community Bank	Cafeteria Account	99,772.17
First National Community Bank	Student Activities Account	120,291.42
First National Community Bank	Athletic Fund Account	6,262.68
First National Community Bank	Purchasing Account	500.00
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust	Earned Income Tax Revenue	310,852.58

The Treasurer's Report will be kept on file for audit.

Finance Report

Mrs. Gober-Mangan read the Treasurer's Report in the absence of Mrs. Yochem.

1. Received the following checks:

<u>Berkheimer</u>	
Earned Income Tax	364,154.19
Local Service Tax	4,592.00
Per Capita Tax	56.20
Delinquent Per Capita	975.94
	369,778.33

<u>State & Federal Subsidy Payments</u> Social Security Title I – Improving Basic Programs Title II – Improving Teacher Quality	20,864.28 104,867.08 <u>15,800.00</u> Total: 141,531.36
Local Realty Transfer Tax	
Luzerne County	13,822.31
Wyoming County	568.40
	Total: 14,390.71
<u>Refund</u>	
Liquid Fuels Tax	2,013.41
<u>In Lieu of Taxes</u> Pilot Agreement- Garden Village Apts. Pilot Agreement –Midtowne Apts.	10,936.85 <u>8,202.64</u> Total: 19,139.49
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	
District Court 11-2-01	75.22

- Approve the June payment of \$114,383.99 to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit in accordance with the terms of the approved contract agreement for programs and services for the 2015-2016 school year.
- 3. Approve the June payment of \$41,685.00 to the West Side Career & Technology Center for the 2015-2016 school year.
- 4. Approve the request of the Wyoming Area Ice Hockey Association for a monetary donation for the 2016-2017 season. The district has contributed \$4,000.00 in past years.
- 5. Approve the meal prices for the 2016-2017 school year:

Elementary Breakfast:	\$1.40	Elementary Lunch:	\$2.25
Secondary Breakfast:	\$1.55	Secondary Lunch:	\$2.50

This is a .15 increase from last year.

- 6. Approve the 2016-2017 Agreement for Prevention/Education Services, with the Wyoming Valley Alcohol and Drug Services at a per diem monthly rate of \$100.00. This agreement shall commence September 2016 and continue until the end of the 2016-2017 school year.
- 7. Approve the agreement between The Meadows Psychiatric Center and Wyoming Area School District. The Meadows will provide educational services at \$60.00 per day per student for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 8. Approve the budget for the West Side Career and Technology Center for the 2016-2017 school year.
- Approve the 2016-2017 Milford E. Barnes Jr. School Partial Agreement & Therapeutic Educational Agreement with the Children's Service Center at a cost of \$125.00 per student per day for the Partial Hospitalization Program and \$165.00 per student per day for the for the Therapeutic Educational program.

- 10. Approve the five year renewal of the Topp Copy agreement encompassing in copy, printing, and document management subject to the review of the school solicitor.
- 11. Approve the adoption of the Final General Fund Budget for the 2016-2017 school year and authorize the Secretary of the Board to advertise the budget notice of the adoption of the Final General Fund Budget according to law.

The Final General Fund Budget provides for the expenditures of \$33,312,342.00 and equity and revenues of a like amount and reflects a tax of 15.4127 mills for the Boroughs of Exeter, Exeter Township, Luzerne County, West Pittston, West Wyoming and Wyoming per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation on real estate, and a tax of 75.9986 mills for Exeter Township, Wyoming County per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation on real estate. The budget also maintains the following: a per capita tax of \$5.00 on all persons over twenty-one (21) years of age who are residents or inhabitants of the school district under the authority of the Act of March 10, 1949, P.L. 30, Article VI, Section 679 and its amendments an additional per capita tax of \$5.00 per person an all persons over twenty-one (21) years of age who are residents or inhabitants of Exeter, Exeter Township, Luzerne County, Exeter Township, Wyoming County, West Pittston, West Wyoming, and Wyoming under the authority of Act 511 and its amendments, the forgoing being applicable to taxpayers less than sixty-five (65) years of age, and a Local Services Tax for individuals (formerly the occupational privilege tax) within the Wyoming Area school boundaries, real estate transfer tax 1% and wage or earned income tax of 1%.

12. Approve to adopt the attached resolution establishing property tax calendar and installment dates.

Whereas, Act 1 of the Special Session of 2006 requires school districts no later than June 30, 2016 to adopt a resolution for calendar year 2016 and each year thereafter authorizing the collection and payment of school real property taxes in installments, excluding any interim or delinquent school real property taxes.

Now, therefore be it resolved, that taxpayers approved pursuant to Section 341 of Act 1 of the Special Session of 2006 shall be eligible for participation in the installment payment of school property taxes.

The following are excluded from real estate installments payments: interim school property taxes, delinquent school property taxpayers, and all other taxpayers except eligible homestead/farmstead property owners and small business owner property as mandated by 53 P.S. §6926.1502 and that qualifies as small business owner property.

And be it further resolved, that the tax duplicates shall provide for payment of school real property taxes in a single payment or installments at the option of eligible taxpayers as follows:

a. Full Payment- Full payment of the real estate tax shall be due and payable by the close of business on November 28, 2016 with a two percent (2%) discount provided for full payment prior to September 28, 2016. All taxpayers, except as indicated below, who fail to make payment of the tax in full by December 31, 2016 by the close of business shall be charged a penalty of ten percent (10%), which penalty shall be added to the tax by the tax collector and collected by the tax collector. The school real property taxes shall become due and payable and be collected as provided in the act of May 25, 1945 (P.L. 1050 No. 394), known as the Local Tax Collection Law, subject to the discounts and penalties provided by that act unless

b. Installment Payments – Installment payment of taxes shall be due in three (3) equal payments on the following due dates: September 1, 2016, October 27, 2016, and November 28, 2016. The payment of the first installment by a taxpayer eligible for installment payments shall conclusively evidence an intention to pay school real property taxes in installments.

Those eligible taxpayers electing to pay in installment payments must pay the face amount of the school real property tax bill. No discount shall be offered for installment payments. If an installment payment is made after installment date, then a ten percent (10%) penalty shall be assessed on the amount of the installment payment due. Two or more late payments of ten days, or more will render the taxpayer ineligible to participate in installment payments for the following school fiscal year.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that in the event that a taxpayer fails to evidence an intention to pay school real property taxes in installments, those taxes shall become due and payable and be collected as provided by the Local Tax Collection Law (P.L. 1050, No. 394) and subject to the discounts and penalties provided in that act and the Taxpayer Relief Act of 2006.

Tax bills not paid in full by December 31, 2016, will be turned over to Luzerne County Tax Claim Bureau for residents of Luzerne County and Wyoming County Tax Claim Bureau for residents of Wyoming County on or before the date established by the county in which the school district is located for the turnover of delinquent taxes pursuant to the act of July 7, 1947 (P.L. 1368, No. 542), known as the Real Estate Tax Sale Law.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that the Board hereby directs the collection of installment payment of real estate taxes to be made to Wyoming Area Tax Collector in accordance with rules and regulations that the Board may now or hereafter implement who shall set forth on all notices regarding the payment of school real property taxes in installments and the dates on which such payments are due be set property owners forth on the tax notice sent to approved homestead and farmstead.

13. Approve the attached resolution designed to implement Homestead/Farmstead exclusions as mandated by Act I.

Recommended that a resolution be adopted, by the Board of School Directors of Wyoming Area School District, that homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate tax assessment reductions are authorized for the school year beginning July 1, 2016, under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act (part of Act 50 of 1998) and the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1 of 2006), as follows:

I.Aggregate amount available for homestead and
farmstead real estate tax reduction, The following amounts
are available for homestead and farmstead real estate tax
reduction for the school year beginning July 1, 2016:

a. <u>Gambling tax funds</u>. The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District during the school year pursuant to Act 1,53 P.S. §6926.505(b), as a property tax reduction allocation funded by gambling tax funds, the amount of \$464,617.94.

b. <u>Philadelphia tax credit reimbursement funds</u>. PDE has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District during the school year pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.324 (3), as reimbursement for Philadelphia tax credits claimed against the School District earned income tax by School District resident taxpayers, the amount of *\$2,737.54*.

C. <u>Aggregate amount available</u>. Adding these amounts, the aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction is \$467,355.48.

 Homestead/farmstead numbers, Pursuant to Act 50, 54 Pa. C.S. § 8584(i), and Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341(g)(3), the County has provided the School District with a certified report listing approved homesteads and approved farmsteads as follows:

a. <u>Homestead property number</u>. The number of approved homesteads within the School District is 5,302.
b. <u>Farmstead property number</u>. The number of approved farmsteads within the School District is 5. *C.* <u>Homestead/farmstead combined number</u>.
Adding these numbers, the aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads is 5,307.

 Real estate tax reduction calculation. The school board has decided that the homestead exclusion amount and the farmstead exclusion amount shall be equal.

> Dividing the paragraph 1© aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction of \$467,355.48 by the paragraph 2© aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads of 5,307, the maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead is \$88.

 Homestead/farmstead exclusion calculation. Dividing the paragraph 3 maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$88 by the School District real estate tax rate of 15.4127 mills (.0154127) for Luzerne County, the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a homestead and farmstead exclusion for each approved homestead and farmstead for Luzerne County is \$5,710.

- 5. <u>Homestead/farmstead exclusion calculation</u>. Dividing the paragraph 3 maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$88 by the School District real estate tax rate of 75.9986 mills (.0759986)for Wyoming County, the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a homestead and farmstead exclusion for each approved homestead and farmstead for Wyoming County is \$1,158.
- Homestead/farmstead exclusion authorization-July 1 tax bills. The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved homestead and farmstead within the School District shall reflect a homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of.

(a) the County-established assessed value of the homestead/farmstead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$5,710 for Luzerne County. For purposes of this resolution, "approved homestead" and "approved farmstead" shall mean homesteads and farmsteads listed in the report referred to in paragraph 2 above and received by the School District from the County Assessment Office on or before May 1 pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341 (g)(3), based on homestead/farmstead applications filed with the County Assessment Office on or before March 1.

This paragraph 6 will apply to tax notices issued based on the initial tax duplicate used in issuing initial real estate tax notices for the school year, which will he issued on or promptly after July 1, and will not apply to interim real estate tax bills.

7. <u>Homestead/farmstead exclusion authorization-July 1 tax</u> <u>bills</u>. The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved homestead and farmstead within the School District shall reflect a homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of. (a) the Countyestablished assessed value of the homestead/farmstead, or (b) the paragraph 5 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$1,158 for Wyoming County.

For purposes of this resolution, "approved homestead" and "approved farmstead" shall mean homesteads and farmsteads listed in the report referred to in paragraph 2 above and

received by the School District from the County Assessment Office on or before May 1 pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341 (g)(3), based on homestead/farmstead applications filed with the County Assessment Office on or before March 1.

This paragraph 7 will apply to tax notices issued based on the initial tax duplicate used in issuing initial real estate tax notices for the school year, which will he issued on or promptly after July 1, and will not apply to interim real estate tax bills.

- Motion to approve the Wyoming Area School District's Administrative Compensation Plan, Pursuant to Act 93 of 1984, 24 Pa. C.S.A. 1164 effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018, with final writing to be approved by the solicitor and with an adjustment to the Director of Food Service's salary.
- 15. Approve the General Ledger Sheet:

Bill Listing: Prepaids:	June 2016 May 2016	513,691.93 <u>46,552.15</u>	560,244.08
Cafeteria Acco Athletic Accou		93,846.00 	<u>101,594.00</u>
		Total:	661,838.08

Motion by Mrs. Gober-Mangan, second by Mr. Bolin, to accept the finance report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted no on Item #11 the budget and voted yes on the remaining report. Dr. Campenni voted yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marinacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Education Report

Mr. Yorina read the Education Report.

- Reporting as per Federal Regulations Requirement that the District's Federal Programs (Title I, Title II, and Drugs and Alcohol) are currently being planned for the 2016-2017 school year. Anyone desiring information regarding these programs, contact Janet Serino, Superintendent, at the District's Business Office.
- 2. Approve Christina Donati, Special Education Teacher at Montgomery Avenue, to take a maternity leave of absence effective at the start of the 2016-2017 school year until approximately May 1, 2017.
- 3. Accept, with regret, Mary Rose Lukesh's letter of intent to retire at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.
- 4. Accept, with regret, Barbara Moore's letter of intent to retire at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.
- 5. Accept, with regret, Phyllis Smiles' letter of intent to retire at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

- 6. Accept, with regret, Ed DeLucca's letter of intent to retire at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.
- 7. Approve the appointments for the 2016 SAT Summer Program:

Paula Cecil	SAT Math Instructor
Christine Rutledge	SAT Verbal Instructor

- 8. Approve the appointment of Molly Kearns as instructor for the 2016 Summer Science Academy.
- 9. Approve retroactively the appointments of the following instructors for the Summer Math and English Program as needed depending on student enrollment:

Dennis Hando	English
Lauren Wysocki	Math

- 10. Approve the request of Melissa Collevechio, Foodservice Director, to attend the School Nutrition Association of Pennsylvania Conference in Hershey, PA., from Monday, August 1st to Wednesday, August 3, 2016. Total cost for lodging is \$199.00. Also, requesting mileage reimbursement.
- 11. Approve the appointment of Barbara Bullions as Drama Advisor for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 12. Approve the appointments of the following chairperson positions for the 2016-2017 school year:

Patricia Whaley	Special Education
Maureen Pikas	Social Studies
Joe Pizano	Physical Education
Jim Belles	Career Technology
Tosca Villano	Art
Carmen Latona	English
Christine Marianacci	Foreign Language
Shea Riley	Music
Michael Romanowski	Math 7,8,9
Leo Lulewicz	Math 10,11,12
Brian Butler	Guidance
David Pizano	Science
Charlene Berti	Library
Paula Ball	Nursing
Thomas Loftus	Family & Consumer Science

13. Approve to rescind the following class changes approved at the May 17th board meeting:

Creation of 4th/5th grade loop position Collapse of full day art at the Secondary Center Creation of ½ day art at the Secondary Center

 Approve the request of Erin Viglione, Physical Education Teacher, to take a maternity leave effective for the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year until approximately November 10, 2016.

- 15. Approve the transfer of Ann Marie Lawrence to the Kindergarten Center as a kindergarten teacher effective for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 16. Approve the transfer of Diane Pellegrini to the Kindergarten Center as a kindergarten teacher effective for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 17. Approve the transfer of Lisa DeMichele to the Primary Center as a 2nd grade teacher effective for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 18. Approve the transfer of Roxanne Campenni to the Secondary Center as Title I Math Teacher effective for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 19. Motion to authorize the advertisement for the hiring of an Assistant Principal of Discipline (ten month position) at the Secondary Center.
- 20. Approve the transfer of Marilyn Bolus to the Primary Center as 1st grade teacher effective for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 21. Approve the transfer of Maryann Reino as 3rd grade teacher at the Primary Center effective for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 22. Approve the transfer of Melissa Stevens to the Intermediate Center as a 6th grade teacher effective for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 23. Approve the transfer of Brian Strazdus as 6th grade teacher at the Intermediate Center effective for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion by Mr. Yorina, second by Mrs. Farrell, to accept the education report.

On the Question: Many audience members were opposed to the hiring of an assistant principal of discipline. Susan Alaimo commented that special education is suffering. Joann Shiner asked if there are more problems within the schools. Mrs. Serino responded there are more issues with drugs and alcohol and vandalism. She wants to keep kids safe and this will allow the current principals to do more academically. Carolyn Carlson commented we have a police officer here. Mrs. Melissa Dolman asked what the salary would be. The salary is \$116,000 which includes benefits. Vanessa Smith stated we should have additional guidance. Mrs. Serino responded we have three guidance counselors now. One is the assistant for special education and IEP's. A student commented on the hall monitors and stated we should use what we have instead of having an assistant principal.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted no on item #19 and yes on the remaining report. Dr. Campenni voted yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, Yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Activities Report

Mrs. Farrell read the Activities Report.

- 1. Approve the request of Thomas Campenni, President of the Wyoming Area Football Alumni Association, to hold the following fundraisers for the 2016 football season:
 - Golf tournament at Four Seasons Golf Club on Saturday, July 30, 2016.
 - Sell discount cards to the Wyoming Area community during the month of August.

- 2. Approve the request of Stanley Wycoski, President of the Wyoming Area Football Parents Association to hold the following fundraisers for the 2016 football season:
 - Media Day for the football players August 12, 2016
 - Annual player barbeque, August 18, 2016, parking lot of weight room.
 - Annual bonfire on the Wednesday before the Pittston Area game at Panthers Field.
- 3. Approve the appointment of Joe Pizano as Athletic Director at a salary of \$13,232.00 for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 4. Approve the following appointments for the 2016 summer athletic program:

Michael Fanti	1,278.00
Thomas Loftus	1,278.00
Jason Speece	1,278.00
Michael Laffey	428.25

Funding will be provided by the Wyoming Area Football Alumni Association.

- 5. Approve the request of the Wyoming Area Drama Club Parents Association, for the Drama Club Thespian Troupe #4795 to attend the Pennsylvania State Thespian Conference in Central York, PA., Thursday, December 1st through Saturday, December 3, 2016. The Drama Parents are asking the district to cover the cost of transportation at \$2,450.00 and an additional \$225.00 for driver housing at a total cost of \$2,675.00 as per last year.
- 6. Approve the request of the Wyoming Area Drama Club Parents Association, to hold the following fundraisers and activities for the 2016-2017 school year:
 - Wisecrackers Comedy Club Mohegan Sun, January 28, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
 - Candy Fundraisers in September and February
 - Drama Club Picnic-Frances Slocum State Park in June
- 7. Approve the request of Lisa Minnelli, President of the Wyoming Area Tennis Booster Club, to hold a tennis picnic at the West Wyoming Hose Co. pavilion, Friday, August 19th, 6:00 p.m.
- 8. Accept, with regret, Rick Branco's letter of resignation as Head Boys Varsity Soccer Coach.
- 9. Approve the appointment of Aaron Carter as Head Boys Varsity Soccer Coach at a salary of \$4,598.00 for the 2016 fall season.
- 10. Approve the request of Nancy Bronsburg, Wyoming Area Boys Soccer Parents Association, to hold a car wash fundraiser at Dileo's Service Station in August.
- 11. Approve the request of Lisa Nardell, Wyoming Area Boys Basketball Parents Association, to hold the following fundraisers in November/December:
 - Sale of Lottery Tickets
 - Pasty and pot pie sale (will be distributed from cafeteria) TBA

- 12. Approve the request of Lisa Minnelli, President of the Wyoming Area Tennis Booster Club, to hold a "Save our Courts" Kick Ball Tournament fundraiser on September 24th and September 25, 2016, tentatively at the Exeter Lions Little League field starting at 9:00 a.m.
- 13. Approve the appointment of Joe Pizano as Head Winter Track Coach at a salary of \$1,032.00 for the 2016-2017 winter sports season.
- 14. Approve the following appointments of assistant coaches and volunteer coaches for the 2016-2017 fall and winter season:

<u>Fall Assistant Coaches</u> <u>Cheerleading</u> : Kendra Radle	Apat Advisor	1 051 00
Kendra Radie	Asst. Advisor	1,951.00
Field Hockey		
Brittany Blass Ellen Siracuse	Asst. Coach Asst. Jr. High	2,508.00 1,649.00
		1,015.00
<u>Golf</u>	Aret Caral	1 002 00
Francis Hayes	Asst. Coach	1,083.00
Boys Soccer		
Jason McDonough	Jr. High Coach	2,230.00
Girls Soccer		
Chad Kranson	Asst. Coach	2,508.00
Girls Tennis		
Samantha Williams	Volunteer	
Cirle Volloyball		
<u>Girls Volleyball</u> Brian Reese	Asst. Coach	1,403.00
<u>Cross Country</u> Victoria Blazick	Jr. High Coach	1,281.00
David Ruggles	Volunteer	1,201.00
Ashley Aritz	Volunteer	
<u>Football</u>		
Mike Fanti	Asst. Coach	4,181.00
Rich Musinski	Asst. Coach	4,181.00
Football		
Jason Speece	Asst. Coach	4,181.00
Steve Sedon	Asst. Coach	½ salary 2,090.50
John McNeil	Asst. Coach	1/2 salary 2,090.50
Ken Kopetchny	Asst. Coach	4,181.00
Tom Loftus	Asst. Coach	4,181.00
Vito Quaglia	Volunteer	
Eric Speece	Volunteer	
Joe Pizano	Volunteer	
Tom Campenni	Volunteer	
Brian Butler	Volunteer	
Chris Bantell Jim Pizano	Volunteer Volunteer	
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Kim Pace Mike Laffey Charles Medico	Volunteer Weightlifting Coach Statistician	13.20 per hour
<u>Winter Assistant Coaches</u> Boys Basketball		
Jared Carlo	Jr. Varsity Coach	3,225.00
Joe Bitzer	9 th Grade Coach	1,677.00
Rich Musinski	Volunteer	
<u>Girls Basketball</u>		
Alison Wolfgang	Jr. Varsity Coach	3,225.00
Ryan Carey	9 th Grade Coach	1,677.00
Krissy Williams	8 th Grade Coach	1,677.00
Jessica Flaherty	Volunteer	
Ron Foy	Volunteer	
Dean Carey	Volunteer	
Len Lojewski	Volunteer	
George Barilla	Volunteer	
Swimming		
Lee Ann Klocko	Asst. Coach	2,508.00
Ken Bryden	Diving Coach	2,508.00
Winter Track		
Ken Stackhouse	Volunteer	
Mike Fanti	Volunteer	
Courtney Thomas	Volunteer	
Wrestling		
Chris Stone	Volunteer Elementary Coach	

15. Approve the appointment of Shea Riley as Marching Band Director at a salary of \$4,727.00 for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion by Mrs. Farrell, second by Mr. Stofko, to accept the activities report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni voted yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, Yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Building Report

Mr. Stofko read the Building Report.

 Approve the request of Thomas Campenni, President of the Wyoming Area Football Alumni Association, to continue with the 2016 Summer Program at the football stadium and weight room, starting Monday, June 27, 2016 to Friday, July 29, 2016, pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian's services are needed. (Class A)

- 2. Approve the request of Thomas Campenni, President of the Wyoming Area Football Alumni Association, to use the football stadium and Boston Avenue garage for the Warrior Pride Football Camp scheduled for Friday, July 29, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian's services are needed. (Class A)
- 3. Approve the request of Thomas Campenni, President of the Wyoming Area Football Alumni Association, to use the football stadium at halftime of the football team's game against Scranton Prep on Friday, September 23, 2016 to announce the 2016 Ring of Pride inductees, pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. (Class A)
- 4. Discuss to approve the request of Stanley Wycoski, President of the Wyoming Area Football Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors" on Sunday, August 14, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian or cafeteria worker's services are needed. (Class A)
- 5. Discuss to approve 25 summer hours for Jackie Vasquez, Library Aide.
- 6. Discuss to approve the request of Beth Connor, Perfect Harmony Center for the Arts, to rent the auditorium and lobby at \$100.00 for a recital on Friday, August 26, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with set up at 12:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian's services are needed. (Class D)
- 7. Discuss to approve the request of Michelle Klaproth, Wyoming Area Drama Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria/kitchen for a pasta dinner/craft fair on Sunday, October 23, 2016, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and foodservice director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian or cafeteria worker's services are needed. (Class A)
- 8. Approve the request of Richard Dushok, Custodian at Montgomery Avenue, to extend his unpaid medical leave for 90 days.
- 9. Approve the request of Patti Drendall, Personal Care Aide at Tenth Street, to rescind her request for a medical leave scheduled to begin on May 24, 2016.
- 10. Accept, with regret, the resignation of Darla Dickson as part-time cleaner retroactive to June 11, 2016.
- Approve the request of Juel Anne Klepadlo, on behalf of the Kiwanis and Key Club to use the Secondary Center cafeteria and parking lot for a community yard sale on Saturday, July 9, 2016 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and foodservice director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian's services are needed. (Class A)
- 12. Approve the request of Nancy Bronsburg, Wyoming Area Boys Soccer Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors" on Sunday August 21, 2016, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and foodservice director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian or cafeteria worker's services are needed. (Class A)

- 13. Approve the request of Lisa Nardell, Wyoming Area Boys Basketball Parents Association, to use the Secondary Center gym for a boys elementary basketball program on Saturdays, September 17th through November 5, 2016, starting at 9:00 a.m. to noon. Registration to be held at the Secondary Center gym September 10th to September 17th, pending approval by the building principal and athletic director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian's services are needed. (Class A)
- 14. Approve the request of Lisa Nardell, Wyoming Area Boys Basketball Parents Association to use the Secondary Center cafeteria for "Meet the Warriors" on Sunday, December 11, 2016, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., pending approval by the building principal and foodservice director. A fee of \$25.00 per hour may be charged to the organization if a custodian's services or cafeteria worker's services are needed. (Class A)
- 15. Approve the re-naming of the following school buildings:

JFK Elementary School to Wyoming Area Kindergarten Center Tenth Street Elementary School to Wyoming Area Primary Center Montgomery Avenue Elementary School to Wyoming Area Intermediate Center

- 16. Approve the summer help appointments of twelve cleaners and fifteen movers.
- 17. Motion to approve the filing of the assessment for SJD by the solicitor by August 1, 2016. (This item was added from the floor)

Motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Dr. Campenni, to accept the building report.

Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni voted yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, Yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Policy Report

Mr. Bolin read the Policy Report.

- 1. Approve the first reading of Policy #237 Electronic Devices.
- 2. Approve the first reading of Policy #221 Structured Dress Code.

Motion by Mr. Bolin, second by Mr. Stofko, to accept the policy report.

On the question for electronic devices policy. Dr. Campenni stated we do have a beeper policy. Attorney Ferentino responded this will update the policy. Dr. Campenni stated with the phones students do interact with the teachers for instruction, so how will it affect this. Attorney Ferentino responded there are also students with IEP's, this can also be considered with the policy. Jamie Brown of Harding, commented students are on the bus for maybe an hour. Also, there are books on the phones, you can do a lot of things on the phones. Attorney Ferentino responded this is something that can be considered with the Board. Vanessa Smith stated when her son had an accident on school property, her son notified her not the school. Lisa Yelland asked if this would include the teachers as well. Marianne Chipeleski stated she uses the phone for homework and to contact the teachers. Mr. Quaglia stated we need to have cell phone etiquette. This needs to be tweaked.

Dr. Campenni asked what the problems were with the cell phones. Melissa Dolman, Teacher, responded taking pictures of test and pictures of students in the bathroom. Dr. Campenni stated we need to involve the teachers on this. Holly Miller, a parent, asked if the police were involved. That is considered child porn. Mrs. Dolman responded she didn't know. She is not an administrator in the building. Attorney Ferentino stated that the students need to be careful with these phones. Inappropriate acts using the phones can haunt you for the rest of your life especially when trying to get a job. And this also includes the internet, recording devices and cameras. Jamie Brown also brought up that the policy states traveling from school activities whether or not via school district furnished transportation. So this means in your own car? Attorney Ferentino responded, from the comfort of your home you (a student) post something on facebook and it disrupts this institution somehow, that is how the law can reach in to a situation like that. Mya asked if there was already a policy. Mrs. Serino responded it is a beeper policy. Mya also commented that there was a bomb threat in the elevator. She did approach Mr. Quaglia on the matter. If it was on facebook it would have been taken so much more seriously. Phone or no phone it won't matter she said.

On the question for dress code policy: Many audience members which included students and parents gave their comments:

Peter Butera, Carolyn Carlson, Grace Washney, Mendy McGowen, Rhonda Lambert, Bethany Somoski, Julianna Kupiec, Anna Jones, Mya Jones, Michael Vukovich, Victoria Braccini, Mike Butera, Donna Kostik, Brandi Sovokin, Emily Uritz, Joanna Pechal, Mark Witkowski. Jamie Brown, Daneen Kearns. (Because there were speakers that did not sign the sheet at the podium their names are not listed)

Many of the speakers were against the dress code:

- It doesn't protect the students. There is still bullying with or without a dress code, Dressing students in nice clothes won't make them act better; told to wear comfortable clothes by teachers to take test
- It depends on what the students learn not what they wear
- The current dress code should be enforced
- We already went with clear back packs and a metal detector
- Will be spending a lot more money; easier to wear what they have
- Moving in wrong direction; worst dress code; it goes against freedom of expression; will hinder scores; creates chaos; dressing does not cause problems
- Should have a committee; there is no communication; parents should have had an all call
- Will teachers follow it?
- Should brain storm and bring ideas to the Superintendent
- Should extend ideas to students and parents and administration; students bodies are all different; some clothes don't look good on certain students which makes them more self conscious; parents should choose students clothes without interference from the government; more money is spent on uniforms; current dress code should be implemented
- Asked for committee a couple years ago when it was first brought up for parents, teachers, students, etc.; with schools without air conditioning it would be too hot

A petition was signed by over 100 people against the dress code.

Mrs. Gober-Mangan asked that everyone e-mail Mrs. Serino with their concerns and she will pass it on to the school board.

At this time Dr. Campenni motioned to table the policy report. Second by Mr. Yorina.

Roll Call to table the policy report:

Mrs. Valenti voted no, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, no, Mr. Stofko, no, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Farrell, no, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, no, Mr. Marianacci, no.

Motion failed to table the report.

Roll call to accept first reading of policies:

Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, no, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, no, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Awarding of Bids Report

Mrs. Gober-Mangan read the Awarding of Bids Report.

The bids for the 2016-2017 school year were advertised on the following dates listed:

Citizens Voice/Times Leader

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 Wednesday, April 20, 2016 Wednesday, April 27, 2016

The bids were opened on May 2, 2016.

(Successful bidders)

<u>Athletic Medical Supplies</u> Medco Supply Co.		4,961.35
<u>Football Supplies</u> BSN Sports Sportsman's	Total:	6,933.71 <u>9,942.01</u> 16,875.72
Reconditioning BSN Sports		137.32
Physical Education BSN Sports		2,103.09
<u>Nurses Supplies</u> Medco Supply Co. Metco Supply Inc.	Total:	2,060.89 <u>42.60</u> 2,103.49
<u>Janitorial Supplies</u> Cental Poly Corp. Metco Supply Inc. Phillips Supply Co. Veritiv	Total:	6,025.00 19.80 3,304.68 <u>948.75</u> 10,298.23
Exeter, PA. June 28, 2016		

General Supplies		
National Art & School Supplies		2,457.30
Phillips Supply Co.		2,059.97
Pyramid School Products		2,240.30
Contract Paper Group, Inc.		25,254.00
Standard Stationery Supply Co.		<u>2,502.32</u>
	Total:	34,513.89

<u>(Unsuccessful Bidder)– General Suppl</u>	<u>ies</u>
Metco Supply Inc.	
Veritiv	
Electrical/Plumbing	
Metco Supply Inc.	3,638.15
Science Supplies	
Fisher Scientific	4,140.74
Metco Supply Inc.	52.80
Sargent Welch/Cenco	<u>6,213.38</u>
-	Total: 10,406.92

Motion by Mrs. Gober-Mangan, second by Mrs. Valenti, to accept the awarding of bids report.

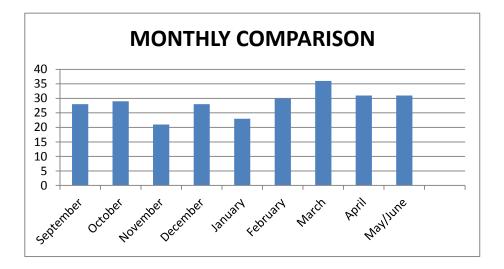
Roll Call: Mrs. Valenti voted yes, Dr. Campenni, yes, Mr. Bolin, yes, Mr. Stofko, yes, Mr. Yorina, yes, Mrs. Farrell, yes, Mrs. Gober-Mangan, yes, Mr. Marianacci, yes.

Motion passed.

Police Report

Wyoming Area Police Department Monthly Report for May / June 2016 Total Calls for Service 31

CODE			
0002—Transport			2
2400 – Disorderly Conduct – using			
2450 – Harrassment			
2601 – Use of Tobacco In Schools			
2690 – All Other Offenses – Reports			
3100 – Motor Vehicle Accidents			
3500 - Suspicious Persons, Autos, Circumstances.			2
3610 - Disturbances - Juvenile			3
6690 – Traffic Related Services - Reports–			2
7016 – Follow up Informat	ion		2
1430 – Criminal Mischief			1
Trua – Compulsory Schoo	I Attendance		3
		Total	
			31
Monthly C	Comparison		
April Calls For Service	May/June Calls For Service	Plus/Minus Comparison	
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Open Discussion:

Mr. Pocono from Golden Business Machines commented on renewal of Topp Copy. All districts that put out RFP's have fixed pricing. In March 2011 the district was paying \$13,995.00 for copiers. The district is now paying \$16,128.95 per month. Topp Copy has overcharged the district for years. Mr. Pocono gave payments from other districts to board members. Mr. Pocono stated he informed Dr. Campenni and Mr. Stofko not to do this with Topp Copy. Put an RFP out and save the district money. He stated board members knew this was going on and still went with the same organization. He also stated he is a tax payer and taxes are going up. Attorney Ferentino stated this decision wasn't made at a work session. The recommendation was made by Jason Jones, our IT Director with the proposal. Attorney Mike Butera, West Pittston, commented on the SAT scores of the district stating they have done horrendous, gone down below state average. Forget about this electronics code and dress code. This is what is alarming. Mrs. Serino responded the board hired a curriculum director and those scores were from last year. We are moving to make differences. We are working on curriculum daily and SAT classes. Mr. John Pegg spoke about expenditures. Mrs. Carol Shiner asked if the district went back to ½ kindergarten, would there be a big savings. Mr. Melone was absent from the meeting. Mrs. Serino responded we went to full day because it was really good for children. Mrs. Serino stated she didn't even want to talk about cutting kindergarten or the arts. Damien Rutkoski, Teacher, stated students in the environmental club have been tree planting and will go to old age homes. Since there are no senior projects anymore they will also volunteer at Blue Chip Animal Shelter. The kids are doing a great job.

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Stofko, second by Mr. Marianacci.

Elizabeth Gober-Mangan, President

John Marianacci, Secretary