

REORGANIZATION MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2018

The Board of Education of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District held a Reorganization Meeting on Monday, December 4, 2018. President Joseph A. Caffrey called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M. and announced that the Board is meeting this day for the purpose of reorganization under appropriate sections of Article IV of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, as amended.

Superintendent Brian Costello led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Board Secretary Thomas Telesz called the roll:

8 MEMBERS PRESENT: Caffrey, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

President Caffrey opened nominations for a Temporary President.

Rev. Walker moved, to nominate **Dr. James F. Susek** as Temporary President, **seconded by Mr. Evans**. There were no further nominations.

VIVA VOCE VOTE:

Caffrey: **Dr. Susek**

Evans: **Dr. Susek**

Geiger: **Dr. Susek**

Patla: **Dr. Susek**

Quinn: **Dr. Susek**

Susek: **Dr. Susek**

Thomas **Dr. Susek**

Walker: **Dr. Susek**

At this time District Magistrate, Thomas Malloy administered the Oath of Office to Mark David Atherton, newly appointed Board Member.

Temporary President Susek opened nominations for President for the ensuing year.

Mr. Quinn moved, to nominate **Joe Caffrey** for President.
There were no further nominations.

Rev. Walker motioned, seconded by Ms. Patla to close the nominations for President.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Caffrey, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

The vote for President for the ensuing year was as follows:

VIVA VOCE VOTE:

Atherton: **Joe Caffrey**

Caffrey: **Joe Caffrey**

Evans: **Joe Caffrey**

Geiger: **Joe Caffrey**

Patla: **Joe Caffrey**

Quinn: **Joe Caffrey**

Susek: **Joe Caffrey**

Thomas **Joe Caffrey**

Walker: **Joe Caffrey**

JOSEPH A. CAFFREY - President for the ensuing year.

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President Caffrey thanked the Board for their vote of confidence and stated he is humbled and honored to serve as the Board President for the ensuing year.

President Caffrey took over the meeting and opened nominations for Vice President for the ensuing year.

Dr. Susek moved, to nominate **Shawn Walker** for Vice President.
There were no further nominations.

Dr. Susek motioned, seconded by Ms. Patla to close the nominations for Vice President.
The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

The vote for Vice President was as follows:

VIVA VOCE VOTE:

Atherton: **Shawn Walker**
Caffrey: **Shawn Walker**
Evans: **Shawn Walker**
Geiger: **Shawn Walker**
Patla: **Shawn Walker**
Quinn: **Shawn Walker**
Susek: **Shawn Walker**
Thomas: **Shawn Walker**
Walker: **Shawn Walker**

SHAWN WALKER - Vice President for the ensuing year.

Rev. Walker moved, seconded by Mr. Evans, that all meetings be conducted in accordance with the rules set forth in the Reorganization Meeting of December 2, 1981, as amended December 2, 1999 and March 10, 2010 including Order of Business. The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Dr. Susek moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to nominate **Denise Thomas** to be the PSBA Legislative Chairperson who will serve as the District's contact for PSBA's governmental relations efforts as well as to participate in county-level Legislative Action meetings with members of the General Assembly.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Dr. Susek moved, seconded by Ms. Patla, to nominate **Denise Thomas** to be PSBA Representative to the Region 7 Cabinet, which interfaces with the role of the Luzerne County Legislative Coordinator.
The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

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Rev. Walker presented Resolution No. 1

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, **Dr. James Susek** has served the Wilkes-Barre Area School District as a member of the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center; and

WHEREAS, his term of office expires in December, 2018; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilkes-Barre Area Board of School Directors appoints **Dr. James Susek** to represent the Wilkes-Barre Area School District on the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center which term is to expire in December, 2021.

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Rev. Walker moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to adopt the Resolution.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Ms. Thomas presented Resolution No. 2

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, **Ned Evans** has served the Wilkes-Barre Area School District as a member of the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center; and

WHEREAS, his term of office expires in December, 2018; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilkes-Barre Area Board of School Directors appoints **Ned Evans** to represent the Wilkes-Barre Area School District on the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center which term is to expire in December, 2021.

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Ms. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to adopt the Resolution.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

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Mr. Quinn presented Resolution No. 3

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, **Dino L. Galella** has served the Wilkes-Barre Area School District (District) with distinction as the Director-at-Large on the Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 (LIU) Board of Directors (Board); and,

WHEREAS, his present term of office on the LIU Board expires on June 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, he can no longer serve as a representative of the District on the LIU Board.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wilkes-Barre Area Board of School Directors appoints **Denise T. Thomas** as the Director-at-Large Representative of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District on the Board of Directors of the Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 for a term to run through June 30, 2019.

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Mr. Quinn moved, seconded by Mr. Evans, to adopt the Resolution.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Mr. Evans presented Resolution No. 4

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that **SUZANNE SAPORITO** be appointed Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education to serve until the Reorganization Meeting of December 2019, under the provisions of Section 434 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assistant Secretary be bonded, and premium for such bond to be paid by the School District.

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Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to adopt the Resolution.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

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At this time Mr. Caffrey congratulated Suzanne Saporito and stated that Suzanne will be replacing Patty Wallace who has served as the Assistant Board Secretary. President Caffrey stated that Ms. Wallace is not only a valuable employee but also a very good friend to all of us. President Caffrey noted that she will be missed, she did a wonderful job and she will still be here every day and we will continue to deal with her. President Caffrey expressed his appreciation for all Ms. Wallace has done for this Board and all past Boards.

Dr. Susek moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, that the Regular Meetings be held on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M. The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Ms. Patla moved, seconded by Rev. Walker, that the officers of the Board be authorized to draw orders for payrolls and for payment of bonds, interest, utilities and other pertinent bills as they come due. The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Geiger, Patla, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Dr. Susek moved, seconded by Mr. Evans, to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting.

President Caffrey adjourned the Reorganization Meeting at 6:20PM.