

REORGANIZATION MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 2013

The Board of Education of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District held a Reorganization Meeting on Tuesday, December 3, 2013. President John Quinn called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 Dr. Bernard S. Prevuznak led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Board Secretary Leonard B. Przywara called the roll:

6 MEMBERS PRESENT: Elmy, Galella, Katsock, Latinski, Susek, Quinn
1 MEMBER ABSENT: Evans

President Quinn opened nominations for a Temporary President.

Mr. Evans moved, to nominate **Dino L. Galella** as Temporary President. There were no further nominations.

Miss Katsock motioned, seconded by Dr. Susek, to close nominations for Temporary President. The vote was as follows:

5 Ayes: Elmy, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek

The vote for Temporary President was as follows: (Viva –Voce)

Dino L. Galella: Elmy, Katsock, Susek, Quinn
Galella: Abstain

Board Secretary Leonard B. Przywara presented the four members who were elected at the Municipal Election of November 5, 2013, to the office of School Board Director for a term of four years. They are as follows: Joseph A. Caffrey, Ned Evans, Christine A. Katsock and Denise Thomas.

Board Secretary announces that Rev. Shawn Walker was appointed on November 6, 2013 to fill the remaining term of Maryanne W. Toole for the office of School Director for a term of two (2) years.

Temporary President Galella indicated that Judge William Amesbury and District Justice Diane Malast are present to administer the Oaths of Office to Joseph A. Caffrey, Edward Evans, Christine A. Katsock, Denise Thomas and Rev. Shawn Walker.

Board Secretary Leonard B. Przywara presented the Oaths of Office for the newly elected Board Members. Oaths of Office are administered and presented to the Board Secretary.

Superintendent Dr. Bernard S. Prevuznak presented PSBA Certificates to the newly elected Board Members.

Board Secretary Leonard B. Przywara read the following list of all legally elected and qualified Board Members.

JOSEPH A. CAFFREY, LOIUS M. ELMY, NED EVANS,
DINO L. GALELLA, CHRISTINE A. KATSOCK, JOHN R. QUINN
DR. JAMES F. SUSEK, DENISE THOMAS, REV SHAWN WALKER

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

Mr. Quinn moved, to nominate **Louis M. Elmy** for President.
There were no further nominations.

Miss Katsock motioned, seconded by Dr. Susek that the nominations be closed. The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

The vote for President for the ensuing year was as follows (viva-voce)

LOU ELMY: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker
NO: Katsock

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

Mr. Galella moved, to nominate **John Quinn** for Vice-President.
Mr. Evans moved, to nominate **Dr. Susek** for Vice President.
There were no further nominations.

Miss Katsock motioned, seconded by Rev. Walker, that the nominations be closed. The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

The vote for Vice President was as follows: (viva-voce)

JOHN QUINN: Caffrey, Elmy, Galella, Quinn, Thomas
DR. JAMES SUSEK: Evans, Susek, Walker
NO: Katsock

JOHN QUINN - Vice President for the ensuing year.

Rev. Walker moved, seconded by Mr. Galella, to appoint **Christine A. Katsock** as 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: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

Mr. Quinn moved, seconded by Miss Katsock, to appoint **Shawn Walker** as the 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: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

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Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Quinn, to appoint **Denise Thomas** 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, 2016. The vote was as follows:
9 Ayes: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

President Elmy presented Resolution #1

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lynn Evans has served the Wilkes-Barre Area School District with distinction for many years as a member of the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center; and

WHEREAS, her term of office expires in December 2013; and

WHEREAS, she can no longer serve as a representative of the District on the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center .

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wilkes-Barre Area Board of School Directors appoints **Denise Thomas** 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, 2016.

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Miss Thomas moved, seconded by Dr. Susek, to appoint **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, 2015. The vote was as follows:
9 Ayes: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

President Elmy presented Resolution #2

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Phillip B. Latinski has served the Wilkes-Barre Area School District with distinction for many years as a member of the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center; and

WHEREAS, his term of office as a Member of the Board of Directors of Wilkes-Barre Area School District expires in December 2013 and whereas his term of office as a Member of the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre career and technical Center expires in December 2015; and

WHEREAS, he can no longer serve as a representative of the District on the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical Center .

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, 2015.

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Dr. Susek moved, seconded by Mr. Evans, to appoint **Louis Elmy** 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, 2016. The vote was as follows:
9 Ayes: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

President Elmy presented Resolution #3

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the term of Louis M. Elmy to serve as Wilkes-Barre Area School District representative to the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technical School expires in December, 2013.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that **Louis Elmy** be appointed to a three (3) year term to expire in December 2016, as a representative of the Wilkes-Barre Area School District to the Joint Operating Committee of the Wilkes-Barre Area Vocational-Technical School.

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Miss Katsock moved, seconded by Dr. Susek, that **Patricia Wallace** be appointed Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education to serve until the Reorganization Meeting of December 2014, under the provisions of Section 434 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended.
The vote was as follows:
9 Ayes: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

President Elmy presented Resolution #4

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that **Patricia Wallace** be appointed Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education to serve until the Reorganization Meeting of December 2014, 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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Miss Katsock moved, seconded by Dr. Susek, 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: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

Miss Katsock moved, seconded by Rev. Walker, that the Regular Meetings be held on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 P.M., in the Administration Building, and that the Committee Meetings be held on the second Monday of each month at 5:30 P.M., in the Administration Building. The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

Miss Katsock moved, seconded by Dr. Susek, 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: Caffrey, Elmy, Evans, Galella, Katsock, Quinn, Susek, Thomas, Walker

Miss Katsock moved, to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting.

President Elmy adjourned the Reorganization Meeting at 6:45 PM.