

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
March 22, 2021

Board President Joseph A. Caffrey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board Secretary Thomas F. Telesz called the roll

9 Members Present: Atherton, Evans, Harris, Patla, Quinn, Schiowitz, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

President Caffrey began the meeting:

- An Executive Session was held prior to the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2021. The subjects discussed in Executive Session related solely to matters of employee relations, labor negotiations, and/or threatened or actual litigation.
- Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 15, 2021 and the Special Meeting for General Purposes held on March 1, 2021 and dispense with the reading of those minutes.

Ms. Patla moved, seconded by Mr. Evans to adopt these minutes.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Harris, Patla, Quinn, Schiowitz, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Treasurer's Report:

Thomas F. Telesz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, presented the Treasurer's Report ending January 31, 2021.

WILKES-BARE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
CASH ACCOUNT BALANCES
MONTH ENDING JANUARY 31, 2021

GENERAL FUND

	\$	
1	GENERAL FUND CHECKING - FNCR	(765,515.13)
2	GENERAL FUND CASH CONCENTRATION - FNCR	48,686,351.98
3	FEDERAL PROGRAMS - FNCR	2,509,366.57
4	FEDERAL PROGRAMS CHAPTER 1 -FNCR	5,868.74
5	FNB BANK	461,556.05
6	FNB BANK	76,930.49
7	JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT	1,754,116.98
8	PNC BANK	393,377.12
9	LPL FINANCIAL	833,127.97
10	EARNED INCOME TAX ACCOUNT-FNCR	54,962.63
11	COMMONWEALTH INVESTMENT #1	12,336.76
12	REAL ESTATE TAX ACCOUNT - FNCR	-
13	LANDMARK CD	482,103.62
14	PLGIT EIT	862,347.16
15	ATHLETIC FUND-FNB BANK	250,004.62
16	PAYROLL CHECKING-FNCR	1,951,131.58
17	PAYROLL CLEARING -FNCR	-

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TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$	57,568,067.14
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CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

18 2016 CAPITAL PROJECTS CASH CONCENTRATION-FNCB	\$	(19,780.04)
19 PNC BANK INVESTMENT		2,098,727.44
20 2019 BOND ISSUE		61,586,029.55
21 PLGIT CASH RESERVE		1,786,981.46
22 FNCB 2019 CAPITAL PROJECTS		(7,252.17)

TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS	\$	65,444,706.24
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FIDUCIARY FUNDS - TRUST AND AGENCY

TRUST FUNDS:

23 WHOLE LIFE GROUP TRUST-CITIZENS BANK	\$	55,427.80
24 COMMONWEALTH INVESTMENTS WHOLE LIFE		354,448.21
25 FNB BANK WHOLE LIFE		50,271.34

AGENCY FUNDS:

26 ELEMENTARY ACTIVITY FUND-Landmark BANK		152,270.92
27 SECONDARY ACTIVITY FUND-Landmark BANK		288,161.64

TOTAL FIDUCIARY - TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS	\$	900,579.91
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PROPRIETARY FUND - FOOD SERVICE

28 FOOD SERVICE CHECKING ACCOUNT-Landmark Bank	\$	3,545,995.62
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TOTAL PROPRIETARY FUND - FOOD SERVICE	\$	3,545,995.62
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DEBT SERVICE FUND

29 COMMONWEALTH INVESTMENTS DEBT SERVICE	\$	9,874.68
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TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$	9,874.68
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Ms. Thomas moved, seconded by Ms. Patla to adopt the Treasurer's Report ending January 31, 2021.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Harris, Patla, Quinn, Schiowitz, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

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SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Good Evening. The District began in-person instruction for elementary students on March 1. On March 15, we resumed K-12 in-person learning. We understand how important it is to have in-person instruction resume. We are very excited for this opportunity to begin. We will continue to monitor our schools for the transmission of COVID-19. At this point, we are looking to resuming in-person instruction throughout the second semester.

We have been receiving calls if schools will be able to have a Prom. At this time, we are looking to solidify a date for the Prom. We do know it will be an outdoor event. We hope to have more information in the next week or so regarding this event.

We also have had inquiries regarding Graduation. Graduation will be held on June 10 and will be an outdoor event. The times and the venue are to be determined. As soon as we have that information, it will be distributed to all our seniors, their families and the media.

I would like to again thank our students and staff for always wearing appropriate face coverings, social distancing and following our District guidelines. This is so important because it has allowed us and will continue to allow us to have in-person instruction. We are appreciative of your cooperation and flexibility.

APOLLO REPORT

Mr. Mike Krzywicki – District Maintenance Plan. Apollo has prepared bid documents for replacement of the switchgear at Heights Elementary. Work is to be performed over the summer of 2021 and will require a one-week electrical shutdown of the building. Elevator repairs at Heights Murray Elementary may not be performed until the electrical work is completed. The Kistler Elementary Roof Replacement project has commenced. Apollo has completed preparation of a budget estimate for interior renovations to GAR which are limited to LED interior lighting, painting, and flooring replacement in classrooms and corridors and offices.

E.L. Meyers Monitoring Structure/Walkway/Tunnel: An inspection was not conducted in February due to the amount of snow and ice on the roofs. The next inspection will be performed no later than March 31.

New High School: The Sitework Contractor has completed installation of liners, drainage system and topsoil in the detention ponds, completed grading and installation of sand base at practice field, and line striping and signage at S. Main Street entrance.

The Building Shell Contractor has completed installation of air/vapor barrier, steel lintels, metal pan stairs, ladders, roof insulation, EPDM roofing, spray foam insulation, pool gutter, overhead coiling doors, & masonry repairs, continued installation of masonry veneer, wood blocking, EIFS, door frames, painting, VCT flooring, sheet vinyl flooring, stage lighting, markerboards, casework, countertops, acoustical wall panels, hollow metal doors, wood doors, gym equipment, toilet partitions, terrazzo, elevators, and commenced installation of carpet, ceramic

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tile, quarry tile, rubber stair treads, gym floor, scoreboards, metal wall panels, cast stone column covers, finish carpentry and handrails.

The Drywall Contractors has continued installation of metal stud framing, gypsum wallboard, taping and spackling, and ceiling grid and tile.

The Food Service Contractor has commenced installation of exhaust hoods, wall panels, and coolers and freezers.

The Plumbing Contractor has continued installation of piping, pipe hangers, pipe insulation, fire sealant, testing and commenced installation of water heaters and plumbing fixtures.

The Fire Protection Contractor has continued installation of sprinkler system piping and heads and related testing.

The HVAC Contractor has continued installation of roof curbs, rooftop units, duct hangers, ductwork, duct installation, flex duct, GRDs & underground ductwork.

The Electrical Contractor has continued installation of conduit in masonry walls, MC cable, fire alarm cable, data cable, control wiring, electrical rough-in at metal stud walls, lighting fixtures, devices, temporary lighting, and activation of permanent power.

The Aluminum & Glass Contractor has continued installation of aluminum windows and glass, aluminum doors and caulking.

The Landscaping Contractor has commenced remobilization for the spring planting season.

All work is being performed under site-specific COVID-19 prevention guidelines and COVID-19 exposure control plan with daily temperature monitoring of all persons working on site.

Mr. Caffrey: Where are we at with the project and the contingency?

Mike Kryzwicki: With the Change Orders on the agenda tonight, we would have committed \$3,199,852 with a future projection of an additional \$215,000 for a projected total of \$3,414,852, which is 53.2% of the budgeted contingency. With an approximate savings of 3,003,673. As of the end of February, we are at 83.6% complete.

Ms. Thomas: What is the approximate time of moving supplies in? Has the increase in lumber and supplies affected the cost of construction?

Dr. Costello: We have a company that will begin moving supplies in July. The teachers will have boxes provided so they can pack their rooms. They will be labeled with their name and where it will be going. As far as permanent furniture/cabinetry, that has already been installed except for the science wing. Furniture should be installed by the end of July.

Mike Kryzwicki: All of the supplies were ordered prior to the pandemic. At this point, that increase has not affected the construction.

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Ms. Harris: Prior to being elected to the Board, I read there was an Alternate for approximately 1.3 million dollars to have the building completed early. Is this part of the budget or the contingency?

Dr. Costello: Without that alternate the building would not have been completed for the beginning of the 2021-22 school year. That money is not part of the contingency.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Thomas: Atty. Wendolowski what is the current status of the sale of the South Grant Street property?

Atty. Wendolowski: They have not heard from the prospective buyers. If they do not want to purchase the property, the Barrouk's will continue to market the property.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS

Amber Jacobs
Wyoming, PA

She was one of the teachers affected by the recent furloughs and has taught Spanish in WBASD for 13 years. Amber expressed her views on the new laws allowing teachers to be furloughed based on evaluations and observations and not just seniority. She feels this is not in the best interest of the students or the teacher.

Tamara Rogowski
Dallas, PA

Tamara expressed her passion and dedication while teaching for WBASD. She detailed the programs and student activities she has been involved in during her tenure in the District. She feels the Board has not only furloughed a teacher but you are losing a tremendous asset to the students and colleagues.

Michael Komorek
Wilkes-Barre, PA

Dr. Komorek is the President of the WBAEA and spoke on behalf of all of their members especially those affected by the recent furloughs. He expressed his deep regret for those that were furloughed. He thanked them for their service and dedication to the District. He clarified the misconception that the state only allows poor or ineffective teachers to be furloughed. To the members that were affected, you are not poor or ineffective teachers. These are excellent teachers that had a proficient or distinguished rating. These are teachers that spent time outside the classroom as advisors, coaches, field trip planners, surrogate parents and they cared deeply for their students. The other misconception is that these teachers are young or novice teachers. This was not true for many. He also discussed the pros and cons of teachers being re-certified in other areas of education.

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There were no further comments from the public or the Board Members.

LUZERNE INTERMEDIATE UNIT #18

Ms. Thomas – The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 24 at 6:00 p.m.

WILKES-BARRE AREA CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER

Mr. Quinn – The next meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, April 19.

CURRICULUM ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Evans – We held our committee meeting last week. We are hoping that the funds we are receiving will allow us to purchase the new textbooks that are needed. The next meeting will be the second week of April.

BUDGET FINANCE/MATERIALS & SUPPLIES/CONTRACTED SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Rev. Walker presented the following report and recommendations for the Board's approval:

- A. Administrative**
- 1. Capital Projects**

That approval be given to the below listed payments:

A1.1	Apollo Group, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 42	\$86,650.15
A1.2	Benell, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 22	\$207,846.81
A1.3	Duggan & Marcon, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 13	\$221,738.22
A1.4	Everon Electrical Contractors, Inc	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 22	\$535,432.20
A1.5	Green Valley Landscaping, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 4	\$3,998.70
A1.6	Quandel Construction Group, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 23	\$1,197,762.58
A1.7	Scranton Sheet Metal, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 21	\$772,508.84
A1.8	Scranton Sheet Metal, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 22	\$455,351.86
A1.9	Stell Enterprises, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 16	\$264,864.12
A1.10	Sterling Glass, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 7	\$202,500.00
A1.11	Triangle Fire Protection, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	App. No. 12	\$189,000.00

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A1.12	A & E Group JV	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Inv. #6	\$167,648.25
A1.13	Borton Lawson Engineering, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	2017-3091-001-0000038	\$4,483.71
A1.14	TGL Engineering, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Inv. #35	\$6,937.50
A1.15	TGL Engineering, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Bal. Due Inv. #31	\$8,387.50
A1.16	TGL Engineering, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Bal. Due Inv. #32	\$1,712.50
A1.17	TGL Engineering, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Bal. Due Inv. #33	\$1,955.00
A1.18	WKL Architecture	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Inv. #39	\$33,377.28
A1.19	WKL Architecture	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Inv. AS#3.11	\$2,679.00
A1.20	D'Huy Engineering, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Inv. #52222	\$8,445.80
A1.21	PA Department of Transportation	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Inv. # 1802582868	\$4,896.84
A1.22	Borton Lawson Engineering, Inc.	Pagnotti Property – Phase II ESA	Capital Projects	2017-3091-003-0000023	\$7,696.69
A1.23	Apollo Group, Inc.	Plains Stadium Complex	Capital Projects	App. No. 2	\$9,129.43
A1.24	Borton Lawson Architecture	Plains Stadium Complex Design	Capital Projects	BA19-4471-002-BLA0013	\$5,785.66
A1.25	Apollo Group, Inc.	Heights-Murray Serv. Replacement	Capital Projects	AGI-21001-WBASD	\$946.40

2. That approval be given to ratify the following Capital Project checks:

Mark J. Sobek Roof Consulting, Inc.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Check #415	\$1,006.50
Pennsylvania American Water Co.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Check #416	\$1,227.54
Pennsylvania American Water Co.	Ann Street Sewer Project	Capital Projects	Check #417	\$856.70
Pennsylvania American Water Co.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Check #418	\$897.37
PPL Electric Utilities Corp.	New High School Project	Capital Projects	Check #419	\$2,200.79

3. The District is in receipt of the approval, by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Budget and Fiscal Management of PlanCon Part I: Interim Reporting Project No. 3885 – Change Order Nos: 2.02/.04.16. **“Exhibit A”**

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4. That ratification be given to the Repository Tax Sale by Northeast Revenue Service, LLC, as agent for the Luzerne County Tax Claim Bureau as follows:

Property Address	Parcel No.	Proposed Bid
Wilkes-Barre, PA (Empty Lot)	73-H9SE3-025-017-000	\$500.00
327 Dana St., Wilkes-Barre, PA	73-I9NE2-011-017-000	\$600.00
119 Parish St., Laurel Run Boro	39-I1056-001-008-000	\$500.00
	73-H9SE4-021-025-000	\$600.00
306 E. Northampton St., W-B, PA	73-H10SW4-011-001	\$1,554.93
117 Noble Lane, W-B. PA	73-I9NE2-28-25	\$9,418.63
Cotton Ave, Plains, PA	50-GI)NE-300-101-C000	\$1,348.00
Fern Ridge Rd, Bear Creek Twp.	04-N1252-002-028-000	\$500.00
105 Old Ford Rd., Bear Creek Twp.	04-N1252-001-005-000	\$500.00

5. Budget Transfers

TO				Amount	From				Amount
1300	100	Vocational Ed.	Salaries	37,000	1100	100	Regular Programs	Salaries	37,000
1300	200	Vocational Ed.	Benefits	36,000	1100	200	Regular Programs	Benefits	36,000
2100	100	Support Services-Students	Salaries	48,000	2600	100	Operation & Maint of Plant Services	Salaries	48,000
2100	300	Support Services-Students	Purchased prof. & tech. svcs	28,000	2500	300	Support Services - Business	Purchased prof. & tech. svcs	28,000
2400	200	Support Services-Pupil Health	Benefits	54,000	2300	200	Support Services - Admin	Benefits	54,000
3200	600	Student Activities	Supplies	17,000	3300	600	Community Services	Supplies	17,000
3200	800	Student Activities	Other	18,000	3300	800	Community Services	Other	18,000

B. FEDERAL

That, in accordance with the authority of the Board, the following Federal AP Check #2162 and February Federal Wire Transfers #202000512 to #202000522 which were drawn for payment since the last regular board meeting of the Board of Education held on February 15, 2021 be approved.

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C. GENERAL FUND/FOOD SERVICE

That payment be approved for the General Fund Wire Transfers #202011589 to #202011608; and General Fund checks #55908 to #55964 and Food Service checks #3551 to #3558 which were drawn for payment since the last regular board meeting of the Board of Education held on February 15, 2021 be approved.

D. GENERAL FUND

That the checks #55965 to #56107 listed on the following pages, which have been inspected, be approved and that orders be drawn for the respective amounts set down opposite the names of persons or firms.

E. CONTRACTED SERVICES

1. That approval be given to 1st Alert Security & Protection Services, LLC, P.O. Box 1193, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703 to increase the hourly rate from \$14.85 per hour to \$15.50 per hour for security services provided during athletic events.
2. That approval be given to enter into a four (4) year lease agreement with Hewlett Packard for Desktop Computers at a yearly cost not to exceed \$231,576.07.
3. That approval be given to renew the Skyward Business Suite for three (3) years effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024 at the following rates per student:

Business Suite – Core Modules	\$4.36
Bid Management	\$0.50
Support – Business Suite	\$2.00
True Time	\$0.52

4. That approval be given to renew the Penteledata Internet services for five (5) years effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026 at the rate listed as follows:

Total Monthly Proposal	\$2,193.00
Estimated E-rate Reimbursement (90%)	\$1,973.70
Estimated District Cost (10%)	\$ 219.30

5. That approval be given to enter in a five (5) year agreement with Penteledata for 4 Gbs WAN service at the New High School at the rate listed as follows:

Total Monthly Proposal	\$1,250.00
Estimated E-rate Reimbursement (90%)	\$1,125.00
Estimated District Cost (10%)	\$ 125.00

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6. That approval be given to enter into an agreement with IntegraOne for Networking Equipment at the new High School at a cost as listed below:

Total Cost	\$785,374.18
Estimate E-Rate Discount (85%)	\$667,568.05
Estimated District Cost	\$117,806.13

7. That approval be given to amend Change Order #015 for Quandel Construction Group, Inc. to include metal stairs at trash compactor in the amount of \$7,228.30
8. To approve Change Order #006 for Benell, Inc. in the amount of \$4,572.75. The Change Order consists of the following:

Provide PVC jacket for roof drain piping @ Natatorium	\$4,572.75
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9. To approve Change Order #012 for Everon Electrical Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$47,953.90. The Change Order consists of the following:

Bulletin No. 59 (w/o shot clocks)	\$10,862.53
RFI No. 619 – Power for shot clocks	\$8,367.13
Bulletin No. 61.2 – Site sign power & data (incl. RFI 627)	\$13,936.93
RFI No. 624 – Extend cable from elevator controllers to automatic transfer switch	\$9,984.01
RFI No. 621 – Wall mounted transformers for elevator cab lighting	\$2,008.87
Provide wiring and connect Knox box tamper switch to fire alarm system	\$2,794.43

10. To approve Change Order #005 for Green Valley Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of \$62,626.88. The Change Order consists of the following:

Bulletin No. 61.2 – Additional seeding, fertilizer and landscaping @ site sign	\$58,888.43
Bulletin No. 62 – Revise planting list	\$3,738.45

11. To approve Change Order #017 for Quandel Construction Group, Inc. in the amount of \$180,939.36. The Change Order consists of the following:

Bulletin No. 57 – Painting & signage not to exceed this amount	\$46,912.21
Bulletin No. 59 – Shot clocks with LED strip lighting	\$4,859.46
RFI No. 604 – Revise door, frame & hardware	\$3,100.43
RFI No. 617 – Gym ticket booth window opening	\$3,479.77
Provide additional (288) lockers, (6) 18" lockers and paint locker interiors	\$45,980.20
RFI No. 628 – plywood blocking at bench and sloped wall	\$676.23
Bulletin No. 61.2 – Site sign	\$75,931.06

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12. To approve Change Order #004 for Scranton Sheet Metal, Inc. for time and material not to exceed the amount of \$20,502.06. The Change Order consists of the following:

Balancing in Auditorium after installation of seating	\$20,502.06
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13. To approve Change Order #014 for Stell Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$463,883.83. The Change Order consists of the following:

Bulletin No. 60 – Cross Valley off-ramp revisions	\$115,850.93
Bulletin No. 61.2 – Additional topsoil, clearing, grubbing, access road	\$348,032.90

14. To approve the submission of PlanCon Part I, Interim Reporting, documents and related materials to the Pennsylvania Department of Education regarding PDE Project #3885 (New High School Project) concerning Change Order #014 for Stell Enterprises, Inc., as listed above.
15. To approve the submission of PlanCon Part I, Interim Reporting, documents and related materials to the Pennsylvania Department of Education regarding PDE Project #3885 (New High School Project) concerning Change Order #017 for Quandel Construction Group, Inc., for Bulletin No. 61.2 – Site sign.

Rev. Walker moved, seconded by Mr. Evans to adopt this report.

On the question:

Rev. Walker – There are significant change order amounts included in tonight’s agenda. As per Mr. Krzywicki that takes us to 53% of the contingency and we are looking to receive about \$3 million back from that contingency at the end of the project.

Ms. Thomas – Why are we entering into a five year contract on Item E4?

Mr. Telesz – There was a three year and a five year option for that agreement. The five year option was a lower rate.

Dr. Costello – Explained E6 which is the approval for the networking equipment. This is the discount the District qualifies for through E-rate. He also explained E10 and E13 because they are big budget items. Several meetings ago the Board did approve approximately \$1 million for additional topsoil to be allocated to Green Valley Landscaping. It is all within the budget and we are just ratifying that amount. This amount is actually \$300,000 under the approved budget.

The vote was as follows:

7 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Harris A, B, C, D, E1 thru 8, E10, 14, 15; Patla A4 & 5 B, C, D, E1 thru 4; Quinn, Schiowitz A4 & 5, B, C, D, E1, 2, 3, 4 & 6; Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

3 Nays: Harris E9-11-12-13, Patla A1-2-3 E5 thru 15, Schiowitz A1-2-3, E5, E7 thru 15

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ATHLETIC COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Quinn – Winter sports had a good season even with all the obstacles they had to overcome due to the pandemic. He congratulated the Girls Basketball team for winning the 6A District championship. He also congratulated Rev. Walker’s son for being one of the top scorer’s on the Boys Basketball team. The fields are now being prepared for the spring sport season.

He also congratulated Mr. Atherton for the success his team had at Crestwood this season.

Dr. Costello asked that we use as many fields as possible that are located within the District communities.

Rev. Walker also added that he would like to see the land in South Wilkes-Barre be used for some of our athletic events.

Mr. Caffrey congratulated all the Winter sports teams for successful seasons.

Ms. Thomas noted that consolidating the sports programs prior to the schools has been very successful. The students have taught us a lesson in unity and comradery.

SAFETY/SECURITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Evans – We held our meeting last week and things are going very well. Security for the new High School was discussed.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT – No Report

BUILDING MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Atherton – Gave an update on the Kistler roof project that began today. They are also addressing some leaks that occurred after the recent rainfall. Completion should be within 8 weeks depending on the weather. Mr. Krzywicki explained the roofing company will only remove as much of the roof as they can replace in a day.

Mrs. Schiowitz – Has the Kistler pool been repaired?

Mr. Telesz – Yes

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

Rev. Walker presented the following report and recommendations for the Board’s approval:

1. That the following policies be adopted:
 - 236 Student Assistance Program
 - 247 Hazing

Rev. Walker moved, seconded by Mr. Evans to adopt this report.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Harris, Patla, Quinn, Schiowitz, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

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FACILITIES TRANSITION COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Thomas – We will be holding a meeting in the near future.

STUDENT WELLNESS

Ms. Thomas – There will be a meeting with Team A tomorrow via Zoom at 2:00 p.m. Team B will be scheduled in the near future.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Harris presented the following report and recommendations for the Board's approval:

All appointments are made pending the receipt of PDE required clearances, certifications, and any applicable pre-employment drug test.

A. Act 93

1. That the payment of \$665.00 to **Carl Marsh** for worked performed after hours be approved.

B. Professionals

1. That the retirement of **James T. Atherton** be accepted effective the last day of the 2020-21 school year.
2. That the retirement of **Karen Trowbridge** be accepted effective the last day of the 2020-21 school year.
3. That the retirement of **Tamera McMahon** be accepted effective the last day of the 2020-21 school year.
4. That the retirement of **William G. Hatzis** be accepted effective the last day of the 2020-21 school year.
5. That the retirement of **James J. Butterwick** be accepted effective the last day of the 2020-21 school year.
6. That the retirement of **Dora Sims** be accepted effective January 20, 2021.
7. That the retirement of **Laura Johnston** be accepted effective the last day of the 2020-21 school year.
8. That **Chris Gray's** request for a sabbatical leave for the second semester of the 2020-21 school year be approved.
9. That the following professional employees be appointed to the following positions at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.

RAISE & A-TSI assignments will be based on student participation and grant program funding available. **RAISE and A-TSI** tutoring hours not to exceed grant program funding.

RAISE After School Program

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Donna Brenner	Erika Hanson	Mary Jo Petlock
Stephanie Brewster	Christine Hayward	Amanda Poplawski
Katie Burns Szafran	Maria Hayward	Kristen Pstrak
Joan Caffrey	Megan Hughes	Susan Schwab
Rick Collins	Carolyn Kaminski	Kevin Sickle
Annette Delasandro	Michelle Krzywicki	Joyce Strubeck
Sharon Detwiler	Lauren Letteer	Cynthia Thomas
Susan Domiano	Mitchell Marcks	Diane Tona
Dionne Fisher	Dominique Nardone	Mary Tranguch
Lisa Giovannini	Darlene Payne	Elizabeth Witczak
Rita Gubbiotti	Megan Peters	

A-TSI After School Program

Keryn Bevan	Karen Gayton	Jennifer Perks
Kelley Campas	John Gosciwski	MaryAnn Rizzo
Michael Caprari	Marianne Kapuschinsky	Joseph Rodzinak Jr
Mark Cardone	Brenda Labatch-Cavalari	Maureen Sovan
Stacy Chronowski	Tammy Levandowski	Amy Wargo-Secor
Kimberly Davis	Tamera McMahan	Sherri Yelen
Meredith Falchek	Amanda Mendoza	Glenn Zimmerman
Michael Galli	Erik O'Day	Denise DeMellier

C. Secretaries & Teachers' Associates

1. That the retirement of **Michele Pettit** be accepted effective March 22, 2021.
2. That the retirement of **Naomi Arzola-Morales** be accepted effective March 1, 2021.
3. That **Kim Holley's** request for unpaid leave for the second semester of the 2020-21 school year be approved.
4. That **Migdalia Roldan's** request for unpaid leave beginning March 18, 2021 through March 18, 2022 be approved.
5. That **Patricia Kondracki's** request for unpaid leave beginning March 15, 2021.

D. Custodians, Maintenance and Housekeepers

1. That the retirement of **Joseph P. Masi** be accepted with regret effective March 1, 2021.
2. That the retirement of **Frank D. Brizgint Jr.** be accepted with regret effective March 1, 2021.
3. That the retirement of **Jerome Kutz** be accepted with regret effective March 1, 2021.
4. That the resignation of **Evan Plantamura** be accepted with regret effective March 2, 2021.
5. That **Mary Liberaski's** request for unpaid leave beginning March 1, 2021 through April 6, 2021 be approved.

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E. Crossing Guards

1. That **Frank W. Tomko's** request for unpaid leave beginning April 13, 2021 through the end of the school year be approved.

F. Cafeteria Employees

1. That the following employees be appointed to the following positions at their current hourly rate. **RAISE & A-TSI** assignments will be based on student participation and grant program funding available. **RAISE and A-TSI** tutoring hours not to exceed grant program funding.

RAISE After School Program

Cafeteria Worker

Cheryl Montigney
Linda Koch
Karen Charnichko
Mary Ann Susek

Substitute Cafeteria Worker

Linda Koch
Karen Charnichko
Mary Ann Susek

A-TSI After School Program

Cafeteria Worker

Barbara Givens
Judy Blaine
Karen Charnichko
Mary Ann Susek

Substitute Cafeteria Worker

Karen Charnichko
Mary Ann Susek

G. Athletics

1. The following appointments are made for the sport season and will be continued on a season to season basis unless, the post is declared vacant by the Board of School Directors. All appointments are effective upon all PDE required clearances and documents being submitted.

Boys' Lacrosse
Track & Field

Varsity Assistant Coach
Volunteer Assistant Coach

Brandon Kelley
Rubin Bordeau

Ms. Harris moved, seconded by Mrs. Schiowitz to adopt this report.

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Harris, Patla, Quinn, Schiowitz, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey A, B 1 thru 8, C, D, E, F, G

Abstain: Caffrey B9

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New Business

Mr. Caffrey addressed the accomplishments of several programs within the District during the pandemic. Our parents, students, teachers and advisors have worked very hard during the pandemic to give our students as much of an educational and extra-curricular program as feasible. The CAPAA program recently presented the play Charlie Brown. They did have both a socially distanced audience and a virtual audience. They did a phenomenal job.

The Speech and Debate team held their annual Martin Luther King Speech and Debate Event virtually. The team also competed in the NSDA District Championship Tournament. Junior Michaela Barney qualified in oratory to compete at the NSDA National Championships with her original speech "Stan Less." She is the first Meyers student to qualify to NSDA in the original oratory event. Seniors Patrick Franckiewicz and Tio Marelo were finalists in the News Broadcasting competition at the PA High School Speech League state championships placing fifth in the final round. Also competing at the state championships was Junior Angel Estrella who debated both sides of the resolution "Resolved: The United States Ought to Guarantee Universal Child Care."

Rev. Walker congratulated the new class officers that were recently elected. He also congratulated the STEM students for broadcasting the winter sports programs. They allowed grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings and Board Members to be a part of those events. They did a great job!

Ms. Thomas announced that 570 is bringing back the weekend food program on Saturday, April 17.

Communications from Solicitor

1. Atty. Wendolowski requested a motion be made to allow the Superintendent to approve the procurement of imported steel in the event domestic steel is not available to complete the Kistler Roof Project on time.

Motion by Ms. Patla second by Mr. Evans

On the question

Mr. Quinn – We need to be sure the imported steel is not an inferior product.

Mike Kryzwicki explained this is only for the Kistler Roof Project and it is not structural steel. It is a piece of light metal gauge that screws into the top wood blocking and there is an aluminum snap trim over the top of it. It does not hold any support or structure.

The vote was as follows:

8 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Harris, Patla, Quinn, Schiowitz, Walker, Caffrey

1 Nay: Thomas

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2. Atty. Wendolowski requested a motion to approve a Special Education Due Process Settlement regarding student SP.

Motion by Rev. Walker second by Ms. Harris

The vote was as follows:

9 Ayes: Atherton, Evans, Harris, Patla, Quinn, Schiowitz, Thomas, Walker, Caffrey

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Patla seconded by Rev. Walker

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.