

**Williamsport Area School District
Board of Directors Meeting - Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

1. Meeting Opening – The Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Williamsport Area School District of which all members were duly notified and of which due public notice was given as required by Act 84 of 1986, was held on Tuesday evening, January 14, 2025, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the District Service Center, 2780 West Fourth Street, Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

The President, Lori A. Baer, called the meeting to order with the following members:

PRESENT: Thomas P. Adams, Lori A. Baer, Michelle L. Deavor, Cody L. Derr, Barbara D. Reeves, Jamie L. Sanders Adam C. Welteroth, Scott R. Williams.

ABSENT: Michele R. Hazel.

- 1.1 Opening Exercises - provided by Mr. Jamie Sanders.
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Approval of Minutes-Organizational and Regular Meetings of December 3, 2024.
- 1.4 Student Representatives: Elijah Nilson, Chloe Pennings and Ella Adkins
Our student representatives shared updates regarding athletics, the music festivals, participating in Model UN, and the upcoming formal. They also announced that the Make A Wish concert last month generated over \$10,000 for the Make A Wish Foundation. The Harlem Wizards will return on January 23rd. Remember "It's Always a Great Day to be a Millionaire."
- 1.5 Omnibus – A motion was made by Jamie Sanders, seconded by Michelle Deavor for an omnibus to include the agenda, addenda, reports and the minutes from the December 3, 2024 Organization and Regular Meetings.

2. President's Report

- 2.1 The Williamsport Area School District supports the River Valley School District's STEAM Academy Initiative to obtain PDE-approval related to developing and implementing a Cybersecurity CIP Code (11.1003/SOC 15.1212). With the inclusion of this POS, students in Pennsylvania will have access to more opportunities for successful entrance in to the field of Cybersecurity.
(Background info: PDE requires at least six school districts to support the initiation of a new POS. There is no obligation on the part of WASD to pursue this CIP code.)

- 2.2 Consider approving the following change orders and/or retroactive change orders for the Lycoming Valley Intermediate School renovation and field projects.

Contractor	Amount	Reason
Lobar, Inc. CO#75	\$1,442.67	Modify the new W35 storefront unit framing due to modifications that were required to be made to the adjacent steel tube framing and glazing above the main entrance.
Lobar, Inc. CO#76	\$30,882.93	Construct two wood-framed storage sheds at the ballfield complex, as requested by the owner, on a time-and-material basis. Note: This was previously approved for \$30,000.
Lobar, Inc. CO#77	(\$25,050.00)	Provide a cost credit for Unit Price Allowances that were not used during the project. Of the original sum of \$30,150.00 in allowances, a total of \$5,100.00 were used over the course of the project.
Myco Mechanical CO#19	\$1,496.94	Reinstall piping and fittings at the kitchen scullery sink to create an air gap as required for health department approval, as performed on a time-and-material basis.
Turnkey Electric CO#21	(\$31,850.00)	Provide a cost credit for Unit Price Allowances that were not used during the project. Of the original sum of \$35,500.00 in allowances, a total of \$3,650.00 were used over the course of the project.

- 2.3 Consider approving a credit change order in the amount of \$15,023.26 with Gordian Group/Lobar Inc. (Contract # 2021JOCC-14) for switching from a 400 gallon to a 200 gallon ASME rated tank, 125 PSI, jacketed, insulated, glass lined water heater storage tank.

3. Finance Report

- 3.1 Consider approving the Treasurer’s Report for the month of November 2024.
 3.2 Consider approving the Payroll Report for the month of December 2024.

General Fund - Unrestricted	\$3,226,359.20
General Fund - Restricted	201,844.63
Food Service Fund	49,624.66
Earned Income Tax	49,258.43

Student Activities Fund	0.00
TOTAL	\$3,527,086.92

- 3.3 Consider authorizing payment of invoices and services rendered by the list submitted from December 4, 2024, to January 14, 2025 and direct the officers of the Board of School Directors to execute the same:

General Fund	\$8,736,631.69
EIT Operating Fund	13,355.76
Food Service Fund	256,483.04
PLGIT Capital Projects Fund (2023 Bond)	1,304,638.34
Student Activities Fund	1,135.00
TOTAL	\$10,312,243.83

- 3.4 Consider approving the Accelerated Budget Opt Out Resolution Certifying Tax Rate Within Inflation Index (and No Need to Comply with Act 1 Accelerated Budget Procedures) 2025-2026 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors of Williamsport Area School District, makes the following unconditional certifications:

1. The school district’s various tax levies and other revenue sources will be sufficient to balance the school district final budget for the next fiscal year (2025-2026) based on maintaining current tax rates or increasing tax rates by an amount less than or equal to the Act 1 index applicable to the school district as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. This conclusion is based on the school district preliminary budget or other information available to the School Board.
2. The applicable index for the next fiscal year is 5.7%, and the School Board will not for the next fiscal year increase the rate of its real estate tax, or any other tax for the support of public education, by an amount that exceeds the applicable index.
3. The School Board has to date, and in the future will comply with the rules set forth in School Code § 687 for adoption of the school district proposed and final budgets for the next fiscal year.
4. The School Board understands that the school district will not be eligible to use Act 1 referendum exceptions for the next fiscal year.

ADOPTED by the School Board

- 3.5 Consider approving budget transfers for FY25, dated November 28, 2024 to January 9, 2025, as presented in accordance with Section 609 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended.

3.6 Consider appointing Wanda Erb as Primary Voting Delegate; Brett Leinbach as First Alternate Voting Delegate; and Alexandra Seyler as Second Alternate Voting Delegate to the Lycoming County Tax Collection Committee for 2025 as required by Act 32.

4. Board Policy - None

5. Curriculum Report

5.1 Consider approving the adoption and purchase of the Mystery Science core program for grades K-3 in the district. The cost for the student and teacher materials will be funded through the general fund and will not exceed \$70,675. Included in the price is software licensing for five years and classroom science kits.

5.2 Consider approving an amended agreement with the Champions Before and After School Care Program for use at Hepburn-Lycoming Primary School and Lycoming Valley Intermediate School for the provision of Before and After School Childcare for the 2024- 25 school year. The program will use the facilities at Hepburn-Lycoming and Lycoming Valley as defined in the agreement. This program is a direct advantage to school district families and the waiver of fees is requested to use the facility.

5.3 Consider approving the purchase of seven (7) Verkada BP41 Alarm Panels, 7 batteries, and 7 Licenses from Bluum USA, Inc. at cost of \$36,502.69. Cost will be paid through the PCCD grant. The purchase is under PEPPM contract # 531722-001.

5.4 Consider approving the Pennsylvania College of Technology course: FIT 120 – Introduction to Fitness Principles. The request includes a course weight of 1.4, will factor into the grade point average for the student, and will appear on their transcript. The course would be eligible to meet .5 credits of the health and physical education graduation requirement. This course will count towards class rank if total credits do not exceed eight course credits for the 2024-25 school year. The course description has been reviewed and approved by the high school principal. Cost of the course is the responsibility of the family. The final grade must be reported to the school by June 2, 2025, on an official Penn College transcript to be included in GPA.

5.5 Consider approving Andrew Paulhamus to serve as an evaluator for a Biotechnology teacher candidate taking the Occupational Competency Assessment at Williamsport Area High School during the Spring semester. The testing will occur after school hours and is approximately 4 hours in duration. The testing will be provided at no cost to the District as all associated fees are paid by the Pennsylvania State University.

5.6 Consider approving an Independent Contractor Agreement between GrowNOW Therapy Services, LLC and the Williamsport Area School District to provide a comprehensive speech/language evaluation, which is part of an IEE request for a special education student. The amount of the contract is not to exceed

\$2,650.00, which includes standardized testing, parent/teacher interview, and school observation. Costs will be paid through the Special Education budget.

- 5.7 Consider approving the 2024-25 IDEA Section 619 EI Pass Through Fund Agreement with BLAST IU 17 in the amount of \$14,560.00. The funds will be used toward the provision of special education and related services to 5-year-old students with disabilities enrolled in kindergarten.
- 5.8 Consider approving an agreement with the Pennsylvania College of Technology to host the 2025 Top Hat Dinner on May 14, 2025. Costs will be paid through the Williamsport Area High School budget.
- 5.9 Consider approving an affiliation agreement with Messiah University to allow for the placement of practicum students in the District.

6. Personnel Report

6.1 Resignations

Consider accepting the following resignation(s) effective on the date(s), and for the purposes, indicated below:

RETIREMENTS					
<i>RESOLVED: that the Board of School Directors of the Williamsport Area School District acknowledges with profound regret the following retirements from service in the Williamsport Area Schools and expresses its sincere appreciation for their dedicated service to our school system. It further expresses the hope that their years of retirement will be many and richly rewarding.</i>					
Name	Position	Classification	Location	Reason	Effective Date
Emerick, Robert L.	FT General Maintenance	Support	Warehouse Complex	Retirement, after over 19 years of service with the district	January 17, 2025
Goode, Earl	FT Custodian	Support	Warehouse Complex	Retirement, after over 5 years of service with the district	December 5, 2024
Metzger, Mark N.	FT General Maintenance	Support	Warehouse Complex	Retirement, after over 37 years of service with the district	February 3, 2025
McGee-Eiffert, Taci J.	FT Sign Language Interpreter	Support	WAHS	Retirement, after over 18 years of service with the district	January 6, 2025

RESIGNATIONS					
Name	Position	Classification	Location	Reason	Effective Date
Bierly, Emory L.	FT Groundskeeper / Custodian Class II	Support	Warehouse Complex	Personal Reasons	December 12, 2024
Krape, Lyndsay M.	FT Tax Examiner	Support	School & Municipal Tax Office	Other employment	January 9, 2025
Miller, Colton T.	FT Custodian/ Equipment Manager	Support	Warehouse Complex	Other employment	December 31, 2024
Mistretta, Nikki L.	FT Administrative Support I	Support	School & Municipal Tax Office	Other employment	January 15, 2025
<i>Revision to previously approved November 12, 2024 board agenda item:</i> Wright, Jennifer L.	FT Music Teacher	Professional	WAMS	Other Employment	December 20, 2024 No later than February 7, 2025
Bertin, Melanie L.	FT CTE Homeland Security & Protective Services Teacher	Professional	WAHS	Personal Reasons	January 13, 2025
Laudenslager, Michael A.	PT Custodian	Support	Warehouse Complex	Other employment	January 24, 2025

6.2 Leave(s) of Absence

Consider approving the following leave(s) of absence:

LEAVE OF ABSENCE				
Name	Position	School/Location	Type of Leave	Effective Dates
Blowers, Michelle S.	PT Aide	Jackson	Unpaid	October 21, 2024 (1/2 PM) through December 20, 2024
Crowell*, Anne L.	FT Aide	WAMS	Unpaid	Intermittently from December 4, 2024 through June 5, 2025

Hope*, Kelsey A.	FT School Social Worker	DSC	Unpaid	January 20, 2025 (3/4 PM) through April 15, 2025
McClain, Caitlin M.	FT Special Education Teacher	Jackson	Unpaid	October 17, 2024 through December 6, 2024 *January 9, 2025 through February 25, 2025

6.3 Employment: Administrative, Professional & Support Staff

Consider the election of the following staff (pending receipt of all approved & eligible clearances, mandated reporter training, as well as all required personnel paperwork & applicable PDE Certification).

PROFESSIONAL STAFF						
Name	Classification	Position	Location	Compensation	Effective Date	Replacing
Haney, Amanda J.	Professional Employee	FT Music Teacher	WAMS	Master's, Step 6 \$71,016	TBD	Jennifer L. Wright, resigned
Retroactive Request:						
Bair, Elizabeth C.	Temporary Professional Employee	FT 4th Grade Teacher	Lycoming-Valley	Bachelor's, Step 1 \$56,703	January 6, 2025	Mara L. Rhodes, resigned
Hornberger, Katie L.	Temporary Professional Employee	FT Science Teacher	WAMS	Bachelor's, Step 1 \$56,703	TBD	Ryan N. Fair, resigned
Reeder, Rebecca D.	Temporary Professional Employee	FT Music Teacher	Curtin	Master's, Step 2 \$62,208	TBD	Michelle L. Hinkal, resigned

SUPPORT STAFF					
Name	Position	Location	Compensation	Effective Date	Replacing
<i>Please rescind the following previously approved December 3, 2024 board agenda item:</i>					
Zelewicz, Zachariah J.	FT General Maintenance (1st shift, 250 day, 8hrs/day)	Warehouse Complex	\$45,800 (\$22.90/hr)	TBD	Thomas E. Fink, retired

Anderson, Lydia R.	FT General Maintenance (1 st shift, 250-day, 8hrs/day)	Warehouse Complex	\$45,800 (\$22.90/hr)	February 3, 2025	Thomas E. Fink, retired
Dauberman, Breana L.	FT Aide w/degree (185-day, 7hrs/day)	WAHS	\$25,084 (\$19.37/hr)	January 30, 2025	Blair Dively, Laurie M., transferred
Hammaker, Scott B.	FT Custodian Class I Floater (2 nd Shift, 250-day, 8hrs/day)	Warehouse Complex	\$41,580 (\$20.79/hr)	January 20, 2025	Catherine L. Williams, retired

6.4 Employment: Long Term Substitute Teachers

Consider the election of the following staff (pending receipt of all approved & eligible clearances, mandated reporter training, as well as all required personnel paperwork & applicable PDE Certification).

Long Term Substitute Teachers may be primarily assigned to a specific location and/or position; however, they may also be used at any level where there is a need and to support a remote platform, if necessary.

LONG TERM SUBSTITUTES				
Name	Assignment/Location	Compensation	Effective Date	Replacing
Revision to January 14, 2025 board agenda item: Cebulka, Gwen L.	Lycoming Valley WAMS	Step 1, Bachelor's \$56,703 (+\$400)	January 20, 2025	Extension to previously approved June 11, 2024 BA item: to fill in for Teacher LOA's; then to fill in where needed as an approved LTS position for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year (tentative ending date of June 5, 2025)
Gammage, Voncier C.	Curtin	Bachelor's, Step 1 \$56,703	February 20, 2025 (pending receipt of required PDE Type 04 Emergency Permit)	Assisting in day-to-day coverage due to Kyle S. Huff, transferred (2 nd semester only; tentative ending date of June 5, 2025)

6.5 Employment: Substitute Teachers & Aides

Consider the election of the following person(s) as Substitute Teacher(s), Non-Certified Substitute Teacher(s) & Substitute Aides, subject to the assignment by the Superintendent of Schools, at the hourly rates established by Board policy (up to a maximum of 180 days per year) & only for the actual number of hours assigned & worked during the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of all approved & eligible clearances, mandated reporter training, as

well as all required personnel paperwork & applicable PDE Emergency Certification).

SUBSTITUTE POSITIONS 2024-2025 School Year			
Name	Position	Compensation	Effective Date
Dionne, Hazel L.	Non-Certified Substitute	\$125/day	January 15, 2025
Miller, Colton T.	Substitute Custodian	\$15.25/hr.	January 15, 2025

6.6 Position Changes

Consider approving the following position changes:

POSITION CHANGES					
Name	Current Position/Location	New Position/Location	Salary	Effective Date	Replacing
Huff, Kyle S.	FT 6 th Grade	FT Dean of Students (205-day)/Hepburn-Lycoming	WEA contract salary rate (and benefits as provided in the Act 93 Compensation Plan)	January 28, 2005	Michele A. Loomis, transferred
Agnone, Nanette F.	PT Food Service Worker/WAHS	FT Custodian Class I Floater (2 nd Shift, 250-day, 8hrs/day) Warehouse Complex	Tier C, \$47,600 (\$23.80/hr)	January 20, 2025	Earl Goode, retired
Retroactive Request:					
Blair Dively, Laurie M.	FT Aide (185-day, 7 hrs/day)/WAHS	FT Aide (185-day, 7hrs/day)/Hepburn-Lycoming	N/A	January 6, 2025	Michelle P. Beggs, resigned
Strothers, Marcus S.	FT Class I Custodian Floater (3 rd Shift, 250-day, 8hrs/day) /WAMS	FT Groundskeeper/ Custodian Class II Class II (1 st Shift, 250-day, 8hrs/day) /WAHS	Tier C, \$48,340 (\$24.17/hr)	January 20, 2025	Emory L. Bierly, resigned

6.7 Coaches/Volunteers/Extra Curricular Assignments

Consider the following 2023-2024 Coaches, Volunteers, Extra Curricular Assignments, at the respective schools, and at the salary rate in accordance with the agreement by and between the Board of School Directors of the Williamsport Area School District and the Williamsport Education Association (pending receipt of all approve & eligible clearances, mandated reporter training, as well as all required personnel paperwork).

2024-2025 WINTER SPORT COACHES & VOLUNTEERS (++ Booster Funded Positions)					
Activity	School	Position	Name	Years	Stipend
Girls Basketball	WAHS	9 th Grade Coach	Davis, Keith W.	5	\$4,050

MUSICAL STIPENDS				
School	Position	Name	Years	Stipend
Correction to January 14, 2025 board agenda item: WAHS Seussical March 30th & 31st April 4th & 5th	Musical Director	Samuel A. Robinson	5	\$3,600
	Musical Director	Megan E. Louder	3	\$3,420
WAMS Matilda Jr. March 7th & 8th	Middle School Musical	Wright, Jennifer L.	5	\$1,350
	Middle School Musical	Shaffer, Elizabeth K.	0	\$1,080
	Middle School Musical	Kelley, Myla J.	0	\$1,080

6.8 Contracts & Other

OTHER	
Rescind the following January 14th board agenda item: Notice of Dismissal	Consider approving a notice of charges seeking dismissal of employee ID #4490 from employment.
Memorandum of Understanding: Jeffrey Pelly	Consider approving a Memorandum of Understanding pertaining to the employment of Jeffrey Pelly, FT Specialized Program Support Coordinator for the District, effective February 1, 2025.

Memorandum of Understanding: <i>Kyle S. Huff</i>	Consider approving a Memorandum of Understanding pertaining to the position change of Kyle S. Huff from FT 6 th Grade Teacher at Curtin to FT Dean of Students at Hepburn-Lycoming, effective January 28, 2025.
Career Fairs:	Consider approving Mrs. Anne Logue and/or selected members of the Human Resources, Curriculum and Special Education staff, to participate in educational career fairs for the purpose of recruitment of teacher applicants for Spring 2025. The current list includes the following scheduled events but is subject to change: Penn State Education Career Day and Commonwealth University Education Career Fair. All travel and participation costs will be paid for by the Human Resources budget.

7. Professional Development

7.1 Released Time/Training Programs

Consider approving released time for staff members to participate in professional development activities in accordance with the Professional Development Plan of the Williamsport Area School District and consider approving training programs. All expenditures proposed are within local, state and federal budget categories approved as noted.

A.	NAME/ SCHOOL	CONFERENCE NAME LOCATION	AMOUNT STRING #
	Kristen Berger ELA/WAMS	NCTE Annual Conference Boston, MA	10-2271-360-108-20-650-000-000-0000 (\$155.00) 10-2271-581-108-20-650-000-000-0000 (\$1,137.00) Total: \$1,292.00
	Amy Briggs Special Ed Director	2025 PDE Conference Hershey	10-2834-260-000-00-000-624-007-0000 (\$295.00) 10-2834-581-000-00-000-624-007-0000 (\$776.81) Total: \$1,071.81
	Heather Buffington- Vogt Elementary Special Ed Supervisor	2025 PDE Conference Hershey	10-2834-360-000-00-000-635-007-0000 (\$295.00) 10-2834-581-000-00-000-635-007-0000 (\$636.81) Total: \$931.81
	Corrina Gnoffo Director of School Health	PASNAP Conference State College	10-2834-360-000-00-000-633-007-0000 (\$500.00) 10-2834-581-000-00-000-633-007-0000 (\$597.00) Total: \$1,097.00

	Greg Hayes PR/Foundation Director	National Association of Education Foundations Conference Knoxville, TN	10-0155-F00 Total: \$2,402.74
	Brielle Hess Special Ed/Jackson	Establishing Component Skills Through Evidence- Based Practices Harrisburg	10-2271-581-000-10-275-000-004-0000 (\$789.60) 10-1233-122-000-10-275-000-007-0000 (\$450.00) Total: \$1,239.60
	Sean McCann Athletic Director	State Athletic Director's Conference Hershey	10-2834-360-000-00-000-636-007-0000 (\$325.00) 10-2834-581-000-00-000-636-007-0000 (\$810.00) Total: \$1,135.00
	Jeffrey Pelly Specialized Program Support Coordinator	2025 PDE Conference Hershey	10-2834-360-000-00-000-615-007-0000 (\$295.00) 10-2834-581-000-00-000-615-007-0000 (\$663.40) Total: \$958.40
	Richard Poole Assistant Superintendent	PASA Leadership Forum State College	10-2360-360-000-00-050-000-017-0000 (\$399.00) 10-2360-581-000-00-050-000-017-0000 (\$816.20) Total: \$1,215.20
	Heather Way Mental Health/Trauma Coordinator	PASAP Conference State College	10-2160-360-000-00-000-000-009-0000 (\$190.00) 10-2160-581-000-00-000-000-009-0000 (\$84.00) Total: \$234.00
	Amanda Wolfe Secondary Special Ed Supervisor	2025 PDE Conference Hershey	10-2834-360-000-00-000-641-007-0000 (\$295.00) 10-2834-581-000-00-000-641-007-0000 (\$776.81) Total: \$1,071.81
B.	Matthew DeWire Social Studies/ WAHS	Gilder Lehman Teacher Symposium: Civil War & Memory Gettysburg	10-2271-360-000-00-000-493-017-0000 (\$200.00) 10-2271-581-000-00-000-493-017-0000 (\$399.60) Total: \$599.60

8. Student/Community Activities

8.1 Consider approving the following student trips

Field trips are being presented for provisional approval in accordance with the District's Health and Safety Plan and may need to change or be canceled. All students must be in compliance with the school's field trip disciplinary requirements in order to participate.

	School Building	Grade/ Group	# of Students	Date	Location/ Reason for Trip	Type of Transportation	Funding Source
1.	Cochran	First Grade	140	May 2025	Camp Susque	District Bus	Cochran PTO
2.	Curtin	Band Students	110	February 2025	WAHS – All District Band rehearsal	District Bus	Music Budget
3.	WAMS	Band Students	30	February 2025	Montgomery Jr/Sr High School – County Band Festival	District Bus	Music Budget
4.	Lyco Valley & Curtin	Hope Squad	4	February 2025	First Church Williamsport presentation at Kiwanis Club meeting	District Van	N/A
5.	Lyco Valley	Band Students	148	February 2025	WAHS – All District Band rehearsal	District Bus	Music Budget
6.	Lyco Valley	4 th -6 th Grade	6	January 2025	Williamsport Fire Co – incentive trip	Private Vehicle	N/A
7.	WAHS	N/A	N/A	January 2025	WAHS C-Lot to Commons – shuttle for Harlem Wizards game	District Bus	WASD Foundation
8.	WAHS	CTE Students	6	January 2025	Penn College – welding competition	District Van	CTE Budget
9.	WAHS	CTE Students	15	January 2025	First Quality (Lock Haven) tour of facility	District Bus	CTE Budget
10.	WAHS	Senior	1	January 2025	Penn College – Poetry out Loud regional competition	Parent	English Budget

- 8.2 Consider approving the Special Olympics of Lycoming County to use the swimming pool and locker rooms at the high school on Mondays, beginning March 3 through May 19, 2025 from 6:45 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., for aquatics training. The Special Olympics is requesting relief of the occupancy fee estimated at \$1,500.00. Certificate of Insurance on file.
- 8.3 Consider approving the Williamsport Millionaire Youth Football and Cheer Association (WMYFCA) to use the multi-purpose room at the Cochran Primary School on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to hold a sports banquet. WMYFCA is requesting relief of the occupancy fee estimated at \$350.00. Certificate of Insurance on file.
- 8.4 Consider approving the Williamsport Millionaires Youth Football and Cheer Association (WMYFCA) to use a cafetorium at the Williamsport Area Middle School on the second Wednesday of every month during 2025, from 6:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to hold monthly board meetings. WMYFCA is requesting relief of the occupancy fee estimated at \$3,000.00. Certificate of Insurance on file.

9. Bids/Contracts

- 9.1 Consider approving a 1-year fire alarm and detection monitoring agreement, beginning February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2026, with Johnson Controls, New Cumberland, PA for Cochran, Hepburn-Lycoming, Jackson Primary Schools and Curtin Intermediate School at a combined costs of \$1,700 per year, to be funded through the general maintenance budget.
- 9.2 Consider awarding the contracts to the lowest bidders for the addition and renovations to the high school welding lab and also approve Tremco/ Weatherproofing Technologies for the roof portion of the project as outlined below. The funds for the project will come from Bond Proceeds, and/or Capital Reserves.

Contract	Contractor	Award	Notes
General Construction	JC Orr & Son, Inc. Altoona, PA	\$1,139,510.00	
Electrical Construction	Lecce Electric, Inc. Williamsport, PA	\$384,800.00	
HVAC Construction	Silvertip, Inc. Lewisburg, PA	\$963,700.00	
Plumbing Construction	Silvertip, Inc. Lewisburg, PA	\$177,900.00	
Roof	Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. Beachwood, OH	\$233,077.36	Contract # KPN-A-202012-04

10. Tax Items

10.1 Consider approving the attached tax summaries.

11. Transportation – None

12. Food Service - None

Voice vote. All affirmative with Adam Welteroth abstaining from items 8.3 & 8.4
Motion carried.

13. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Bowers congratulated Kyle Huff, the new Dean of Students at Hepburn-Lycoming Primary and Amanda Haney, the new music teacher, who were in the audience.

January is School Board Recognition Month – Dr. Bowers thanked the board for volunteering their time for public education and for being a part of our district. The entire community benefits from their willingness to serve.

On January 23rd at 6:30 p.m., the Harlem Wizards will return to take on our faculty. This is always an entertaining event.

We are happy to be in 2025. It is hard to believe that soon we will be ½ way through the school year. It is time to start the budget season and planning for the 2025/26 year. The Finance and Facilities Committee will meet on February 4th at 5:30 p.m.

14. Items from Board Members

Jamie Sanders asked for an update on ZeroEyes and metal detectors. Representatives from ZeroEyes have been in the district and during their testing determined that the original appliance was not as robust as they wanted to see so the new component has been ordered. We are expecting it to arrive and be installed soon. Once we are up and running with ZeroEyes, we will need to determine what the next layer should be. There is a county wide safe school meeting being held on Friday.

Tom Adams shared Proverb 4:14 and shared his concerns regarding Scholastic Inc. He continues to be amazed with our CTE program. The welding lab expansion is a wonderful opportunity for our students. He also noted that he recently saw that VanCampen's is looking for an auto mechanic, perhaps one of our students can walk right into a job.

15. Items from Public

Jeannie Gallagher thanked the board for the update on security but expressed several concerns regarding the secure vestibules and the process of granting entry and the recent incident where the high school did not have water and students had

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to use port-a-potties or be bused to WAMS to use the restrooms. She also expressed concerns regarding an assignment related to Barbie.

Several Board members shared their thoughts and concerns regarding the assignment. Mrs. Takach shared that the assignment was a perspective lesson requiring a short article. The parent and the teacher spoke and it was resolved. The administration is aware of the situation. Dr. Bowers noted that sometimes lessons go in a different direction than what is expected. The District is doing a deeper dive.

16. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Barbara Reeves seconded by Jamie Sanders. The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Wanda M. Erb, Board Secretary