

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, June 23, 2020, beginning at 6:03 PM. President Baer welcomed everyone to our virtual meeting. President Baer noted the following:

- 1) The meeting is being recorded.
- 2) The microphones are all muted.
- 3) Board members will need to unmute their microphones to speak.
- 4) Under the Open Forum section of the meeting, anyone wishing to address the Board will need to use the raise hand feature to have their microphone unmuted.
- 5) Board members making and seconding motions will need to state their name for the record.
- 6) All votes will be roll call.

Wanda Erb announced that all Board members except, Ms. Star Poole were in attendance.

PRESENT: Lori A. Baer, Patrick A. Dixon, Jennifer Lake, Jane L. Penman, Star Poole (arrived 6:10 PM), Barbara D. Reeves, Marc Schefsky, Nancy Somers, Adam C. Weltheroth.

ABSENT: None

President Baer announced that an executive session was held prior to tonight's meeting for personnel and attorney advisement.

OPENING EXERCISES – Dr. Penman provided opening exercises.

Star Poole arrived at 6:10 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting – June 2, 2020

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Ms. Lori A. Baer

- A. Approve the Williamsport Area School District Athletic Department Resocialization of Sports Recommendations plan and waiver for the 2020-2021 school year. This guidance is preliminary; as more public health information is available, the administration may work with impacted entities to release further guidance which could impact fall, winter, or spring seasons.
- B. Approve the Williamsport Area School District Music Department Resocialization of Marching Band plan and waiver for the 2020-2021 school year. This guidance is preliminary; as more public health information is available, the administration may work with impacted entities to release further guidance which could impact this plan.

BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT CONT’D: – Ms. Lori A. Baer

- C. Wanda Erb presented a budget overview of the 2020-21 Final General Fund Budget, which includes a zero (0%) percent tax increase.

FINANCE REPORT

A motion was made by Dr. Penman and seconded by Mr. Welteroth to adopt the following tax levies and resolution relative to the Final General Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year **AND** to approve the following resolution regarding the 2020 tax year Homestead/Farmstead Exemptions:

- 5.1 Adopt the following tax levies and resolution relative to the Final General Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year

The following is a summary of the proposed General Fund Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020:

ESTIMATED BEGINNING UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION 06/30/20	\$ 9,519,225
FY 20-21 UNRESTRICTED REVENUE	86,471,473
FY 20-21 RESTRICTED REVENUE	4,645,552
TOTAL ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE AND REVENUE AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION	100,636,250
FY 20-21 UNRESTRICTED EXPENDITURES	88,686,560
FY 20-20 RESTRICTED EXPENDITURES	4,645,552
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	93,332,112
ESTIMATED JUNE 30, 2021 UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE	7,304,138
	<u>20/21</u>
Real Property (16.89 mills 19/20)	16.89 mills
Act 511 Taxes	
Earned Income	1.5%
Real Estate Transfer	.5 of 1%

FINANCE REPORT CONT'D:

- 5.2 Approve the following resolution regarding the 2020 tax year Homestead/Farmstead Exemptions:

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of Williamsport Area School District, that homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate tax assessment reductions are authorized for the school year beginning July 1, 2020, 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

1. **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, 2020:
 - a. **Gambling tax funds.** 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 \$2,436,722.26.
 - b. **Philadelphia tax credit reimbursement funds.** 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 \$2,290.35.
 - c. **Remaining Property Tax Reduction Funds.** Funds will be available during the school year for real estate reduction as a result of undistributed funds from the property tax reduction funds received in 2019-20. These funds will be added to the allocation for this school year in the amount of \$4.00.
 - d. **Aggregate amount available.** Adding these amounts plus any residual amounts from prior year, the aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction is \$2,439,016.61.
2. **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. **Homestead property number.** The number of approved homesteads within the School District is 7612.
 - b. **Farmstead property number.** The number of approved farmsteads within the School District is 51.

- c. **Homestead/Farmstead combined number.** Adding these numbers, the aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads is 7,663.
3. **Real estate tax reduction calculation.** The school board has decided that the farmstead exclusion amount shall be fifty percent (50%) of the homestead exclusion amount. Dividing the paragraph 1(d) aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction of \$2,439,016.61 by the total of paragraph 2(a) approved homesteads and fifty percent (50%) of paragraph 2(b) approved farmsteads of 7,638 (before considering the assessed value of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads having an assessed value below the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate assessed value reduction amount to be established as the homestead and farmstead exclusion amounts), the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead is \$319.33 and to each approved farmstead is \$159.67. Based on calculations provided by the School District Business Office from the best available information and carefully evaluated by the School Board, considering the assessed value of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads having an assessed value below the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate assessed value reduction amount to be established as the homestead exclusion and the farmstead exclusion amount, an additional aggregate amount of \$24,722.60 will be available during the school year for real estate tax reduction applicable to approximately 7,423 homesteads and 26 farmsteads, resulting in an additional real estate tax reduction amount available for each homestead \$3.32 and farmstead of \$1.66. Adding this additional amount to the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$319.33 the final maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead is \$322.65 and to each approved farmstead is \$161.33.
4. **Homestead and Farmstead exclusion calculation.** Dividing the paragraph 3 maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$322.65 by the School District real estate tax rate of 16.89 mills (.01689), the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as homestead exclusion for each approved homestead is \$19,103.02 and the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a farmstead exclusion for each approved farmstead is \$9,551.51.
5. **Homestead/Farmstead exclusion authorization – July 1 tax bills.** The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved homestead within the School District shall reflect a homestead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the homestead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$19,103.02. The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved farmstead within the School District shall reflect an additional farmstead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the farmstead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$9,551.51. For purposes of this Resolution, “approved homestead” and “approved farmstead” shall mean homesteads and farmsteads listed in the

- 5.2 Approve the following resolution regarding the 2020 tax year Homestead/Farmstead Exemptions cont'd:

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 5 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 be issued on or promptly after July 1, and will not apply to interim real estate tax.

The motion carried by a unanimous 9-0 roll call vote.

A motion for an omnibus was made by Mr. Schefsky, seconded by Dr. Penman, to include the remaining agenda items, the addendum and the minutes from the June 2, 2020 Board meeting.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT CONT'D: – Ms. Lori A. Baer

- D. Mrs. Lake read a resolution supporting the development of an anti-racist school climate by the Board of Directors of the Williamsport Area School District.

Resolution supporting the development of an anti-racist school climate by the Board of Directors of the Williamsport Area School District

WHEREAS, we are deeply saddened and outraged by the recent killing of George Floyd and violence against black men and women. The subsequent protests have shined a spotlight on the harmful effects of racism and inequality. Furthermore, the public response has highlighted the racial trauma that our black students, families, staff, and communities have not only endured for centuries but continue to face today.

WHEREAS, we must recognize that racism and hate have no place in our schools and society. However, we must understand that racism is systemic, and it is unconsciously and consciously rooted into our institutions, policies, and practices. Consequently, we acknowledge that we must look at our own school policies and practices through an anti-racist and equity lens to address traces of racism and inequity that still exist within our own school community.

WHEREAS, we must center the voices of staff, students, families, and communities who have historically endured discrimination and marginalization. Their lived experiences and stories require attention, require respect, require empathy, and most importantly require action. Therefore, it is essential that we establish an expectation that a diversity of students, families, and community members, specifically those that have been ignored, discriminated against, and marginalized, are heard and included on substantive school and district issues.

WHEREAS, we must better educate ourselves and seek to educate the community on the historical and current impact of racism and discrimination on our students, families, and communities, as well as understand our role in perpetuating such inequity. Through continuous

BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT CONT’D: – Ms. Lori A. Baer

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professional development and opportunities for honest dialogue and listening sessions, we hope to build partnerships in the community focused on overcoming racism and other barriers. By doing so, we can create opportunities to ensure that each child has the tools and supports needed to thrive.

WHEREAS, we must advocate to advance civil rights and cultivate an anti-racist school climate necessary to meet the needs of ALL students in our care. Our students, no matter their race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, language ability, disability, and other identities, deserve to feel safe, to feel seen, and to feel affirmed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Williamsport Area School Board, unequivocally stand firm in our collective responsibility to foster an equitable and inclusive environment for every student, staff member, parent, and community member. We commit to use our role as school board directors to recognize, respond, and speak out against injustice and racial inequity in our school community.

Dr. Bowers will send a copy of the approved Anti-Racist School Climate Resolution to PSBA.

FINANCE REPORT CONT’D:

- 5.3 Approve the following financial reports:

- A. Treasurer’s Report for the month of May 2020:

- 5.4 Authorize payment of invoices and services rendered by the list submitted from May 29, 2020 to June 18, 2020 and direct the officers of the Board of School Directors to execute the same:

General Fund	\$2,120,124.85
EIT Operating Fund	3,907.29
Food Service Fund	29,213.59
Payroll Fund	1,708,221.82
PLGIT Capital Projects Fund	0.00
Student Activities Fund	<u>460.00</u>
TOTAL	\$3,861,927.55

- 5.5 Authorize a June 30, 2020, order for the payment of bills with retroactive Board approval to occur on July 14, 2020.

FINANCE REPORT CONT'D:

- 5.6 Approve budget transfers for FY20, dated March 13, 2020 to June 23, 2020, as presented in accordance with Section 609 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended:
- 5.7 Approve the following insurance policies for the period of July 1, 2019 to July 1, 2020:
 - A. Property, Automobile, Excess Liability Umbrella, Educators Legal Liability, Crime, Inland Marine, General Liability and Cyber/Data Compromise Policies through the Lancaster-Lebanon Public Schools Insurance Pool at an estimated cost of \$285,101, this now includes student accident/athletic insurance (FY20 \$18,970) (FY 20 Lancaster-Lebanon Public Schools Insurance Pool \$230,683).
 - B. Worker's Compensation through UPMC Health Benefits, Inc. at an estimated cost of \$470,360 (FY 20 UPMC Health Benefits, Inc. \$451,546).

BOARD POLICY – None

CURRICULUM REPORT

- 7.1 Approve the purchase of Schoology Remote Professional Development from PowerSchool at a cost of \$4,800.00 to be funded through Title IV.
- 7.2 Approve a change in contracts due to Covid-19 with the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf to provide distance interpreting services for the rest of the 2019-2020 school year for Williamsport Area School District student/s at a cost of \$13,195 each. The cost of service is separate from the cost of basic education and will be billed at a daily rate of \$105.56 for services received on a monthly basis starting April 1, 2020. Costs will be paid through the Special Education budget.
- 7.3 Approve an agreement with Lock Haven University to allow the placement of student teachers and field study participants in Williamsport Area School District classrooms.
- 7.4 Approve an agreement with BLaST Intermediate Unit 17 for educational services at the LASA Quik residential program located in the Williamsport Area School District for the 2020-2021 school year. The cost of these services are paid by the students home school district, and are billed through Child Accounting and the Business Office.
- 7.5 Approve an amendment to the 2020 Extended School Year (ESY) tuition agreement with New Story School to provide a student with special education requirements and all related services for a special education distance learning program at a rate of \$270.00 per day.
- 7.6 Approve the purchase of Thin Common Cartridge/LTI Integration from Edgenuity at a cost of \$5,000. Costs will be paid through Title IV.

CURRICULUM REPORT CONT'D:

- 7.7 Approve a Letter of Agreement with Learn Well to provide instruction to Williamsport Area School District students hospitalized at residential facilities in Pennsylvania where Learn Well provides educational services. Inpatient educational services will be provided by Learn Well at a rate of \$41.00 per hour, for up to six hours per week for the 2020-2021 school year.
- 7.8 Approve an agreement with Beacon Light Behavioral Health Systems (BLBHS) beginning July 1, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2022. Beacon Light is a full spectrum behavioral health service provider including the referral, treatment, discharge planning, and establishing supports for clients. The agreement confirms that the school district will collaborate with Beacon Light in accordance with rules, regulations and policies for the purpose of care coordination activities.
- 7.9 Approve the renewal of the SysAid helpdesk software for the 2020-21 school year at a cost of \$5,172.00 to be funded through the Technology budget.
- 7.10 Renew the Sophos Endpoint Protection Advanced – Education software through Trebron Company for the 2020-21 school year (year two of three) for 2,350 Users (K-12) at a cost of \$10,942.00. Costs will be paid through the Technology Budget.
- 7.11 Renew ClassLink to include the renewal license and ClassLink Rosters Server Hosting from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at a cost of \$16,722.50. Costs will be paid through the Technology budget.
- 7.12 Approve the renewal of the 2020-21 district Movie Licensing at the cost of \$4,608.00. Costs will be paid through the Technology budget.
- 7.13 Approve the purchase of the Pennsylvania Microsoft Enrollment Education Solutions (ESS) subscription for the 2020-21 school year. This program is sponsored by Lancaster Lebanon IU 13 and is year one of the agreement at a cost of \$76,253.85. This provides services such as Office 365, SharePoint, Microsoft's Home Use Program, Anti-Virus software, Email Archiving, Spam Filtering, Software Assurance and Advanced Threat Protection. Costs will be paid through the Technology budget.
- 7.14 Approve a renewal agreement with Monsido Inc. for the 2020-21 school year for PDF accessibility scanning and web accessibility compliance. The cost will be \$2,133.50 and will be paid through the Technology budget.
- 7.15 Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Pennsylvania College of Technology to offer Penn College NOW courses to Williamsport Area School District students for the 2020-21 school year.

CURRICULUM REPORT CONT'D:

- 7.16 Approve the purchase and installation of 61 new security cameras at the Williamsport Area Middle School (32 cameras) and Williamsport Area High School (29 cameras) by Guyette Communication Industries at a cost of \$44,862.95. The cost will be funded through the School Safety and Security grant the district was awarded for the 2019-2020 school year.
- 7.17 Approve the purchase of thirty (30) Dell Model Precision 3541 computers at a cost of \$34,083.60. The computers will replace and upgrade existing computers in the AP Computer Science labs at the Williamsport Area High School. The cost will be funded through the PAsmart Targeted Computer Science & STEM Education Grant (153).

PERSONNEL REPORT

8.1 RESIGNATIONS

Accept the following resignation(s), effective on the dates and for the purposes indicated:

- A. Debra A. Schomburg, full-time Food Service Production Manager at the middle school, for the purpose of retirement, effective July 1, 2020.

RESOLVED: that the Board of School Directors of the Williamsport Area School District acknowledges with profound regret the retirement of Debra A. Schomburg from service in the Williamsport Area Schools and expresses its sincere appreciation for her 30½ years of dedicated service to our school system as a food service cafeteria manager. It further expresses the hope that her years of retirement will be many and richly rewarding.

- B. Shawn E. Brister, part-time Custodian at Cochran Primary School, for personal reasons, effective June 9, 2020.
- C. Jordan N. Frantz, full-time Tax Examiner in the Tax Office at the DSC, for other employment, effective June 30, 2020.
- D. Gregory L. Hayes, Jr., full-time Executive Director of the Williamsport Area School District Education Foundation and Public Relations for the District, for other employment, effective July 17, 2020.
- E. Conrad G. Shank, full-time Special Education teacher at the high school, for other employment, effective June 17, 2020.
- F. Rescind the retirement of Krista Fagnano, full-time Director of School Health Services for the District, originally approved at the February 4, 2020 Board Meeting. Ms. Fagnano will remain in her position of Director of School Health Services for the 2020-2021 school year.

8.1 RESIGNATIONS CONT'D:

- G. Jessica N. Fuschetti, full-time current position as Mathematics teacher at the middle school for the 2019-2020 school year (**administratively transferred to full-time 4th Grade teacher at Lycoming Valley Intermediate School for the 2020-2021 school year**), for other employment, effective June 17, 2020.

8.2 LEAVES OF ABSENCE - Approve the following leave(s) of absence:

- A. Revise the following item as reflected in updated orders with a tentative return date extended to July 27, 2020: Jeremy S. Loveland, Director of Technology for the District, for military leave on July 5, 2019, through July 2020 (as reflected in orders), in accordance with School District Policy Manual and Act 174 of 1990 (original item approved at the March 5, 2019 School Board Meeting).
- B. Laura K. Mullins*, full-time 5th Grade teacher at Lycoming Valley Intermediate School, for an unpaid leave, effective June 3, 2020, through June 17, 2020.
- C. Darryl E. Wilson, full-time Head Custodian at Curtin Intermediate School, for an unpaid leave, effective May 19, 2020, through June 19, 2020.
- D. Jeffrey R. Marshall*, full-time Head Custodian at the high school, for an unpaid leave, effective May 26, 2020, through June 30, 2020.

8.3* ELECTION OF STAFF

Elect the following staff, for the purpose and on the date indicated:

- A. Carol A. Shipman, to be currently assigned to a part-time Aide (Special Education; 185 days, 5 hours per day) at the high school, with a base wage rate of \$13.73 per hour (without degree rate), effective August 28, 2020 (replacing Valorie Taylor, transferred).
- B. The following persons as Acceleration Summer School teachers (On-line curriculum, remote learning, no students or teachers on school campus) at the high school, effective dates of June 18, 2020, through August 14, 2020 (8 week duration), at the rate established in the Agreement by and between the Board of School Directors and the Williamsport Education Association (\$31.20 per hour).

Teachers are required to log 60 hours of student instructional contact time per course. Instructor payment cannot exceed 60 hours.

Physical Education/Health (.5 credit): Joseph R. Eaton
Physical Education/Health (.5 credit): Jeremy S. Steppe
Physical Education/Health (.5 credit): Jordan C. Yohn

8.3* ELECTION OF STAFF CONT'D:

B. The following persons as Acceleration Summer School teachers cont'd:

Mathematics/Geometry H (1.0 credit): Ethan S. Lee

Mathematics/Geometry H (1.0 credit): Diane E. Welch

8.4* POSITION CHANGES

Approve the following position change(s):

- A. Jessica A. Becker from a full-time School Counselor at Jackson Primary School to be currently assigned to a full-time School Counselor at the high school, at the 2020-2021 school year contract salary rate, effective August 27, 2020 (replacing Jamie Yonkin, resigned).
- B. Ashley N. Raniero from a full-time Special Education (LS) teacher at Curtin Intermediate School to be currently assigned to a full-time Special Education teacher (AS) at Jackson Primary School, at the 2020-2021 school year contract salary rate, effective August 27, 2020 (new position).
- C. Adam J. Allison from a full-time Special Education (ES) teacher at Curtin Intermediate School to be currently assigned to a full-time Special Education teacher (LS) at Curtin Intermediate School, at the 2020-2021 school year contract salary rate, effective August 27, 2020 (replacing Ashley Raniero, transferred).
- D. Kyle S. Huff administratively transferred from a full-time 6th Grade teacher at Lycoming Valley Intermediate School to be currently assigned to a full-time 2nd Grade teacher at Cochran Primary School, at the 2020-2021 school year contract salary rate, effective August 27, 2020 (replacing Suzanna Miller, transferred).
- E. Shanice C. D. Brandon administratively transferred from a full-time Choral/Classroom Music teacher at Hepburn-Lycoming Primary and Lycoming Valley Intermediate Schools to be currently assigned to a full-time Choral/Classroom Music teacher at Jackson Primary School, at the 2020-2021 school year contract salary rate, effective August 27, 2020 (realignment of current music teacher assignments).
- F. Lori A. Nelson administratively transferred from a full-time Choral/Classroom Music teacher at Stevens Primary and Curtin Intermediate Schools to be currently assigned to a full-time Choral/Classroom Music teacher at Hepburn-Lycoming and Stevens Primary Schools, at the 2020-2021 school year contract salary rate, effective August 27, 2020 (realignment of current music teacher assignments).

8.5 CONTRACTED SERVICES

- A. Authorize the Board President to sign an agreement with ESI Employee Assistance Group, 55 Chamberlain St., Wellsville, New York 14895, reflecting a rate of \$25.73 per employee for Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Services effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – None

STUDENT/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- 10.1 Approve the following breakfast and lunch prices for 2020-2021 school year:

	BREAKFAST		LUNCH	
	<u>FY20</u>	<u>FY21</u>	<u>FY20</u>	<u>FY21</u>
ELEMENTARY (K-6) (Primary & Intermediate)	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$2.55	\$2.55
SECONDARY (7-12) (Middle & High)	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$2.70	\$2.70
ADULT	\$2.45	\$2.45	\$3.95	\$3.95
REDUCED	\$.30	\$.30	\$.40	\$.40

- 10.2 Approve the filing of an application for participation in the National School Breakfast and Lunch Programs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

BIDS/CONTRACTS

- 11.1 Approve an Agreement for Participation in Child Nutrition Programs between the Williamsport Area School District and BLaST Intermediate Unit. This agreement will allow our district to continue to provide meals for the 2020-2021 school year for the Lycoming County Day Treatment and Academy of Integrated Studies operated by BLaST.
- 11.2 Approve an Agreement for Participation in Child Nutrition Programs between the Williamsport Area School District and Nittany Learning Services. This agreement will allow our district to continue to provide meals for the 2020-2021 school year for the Nittany Learning Services Alternative Education for Disruptive Youth.
- 11.3 Approve an Agreement for Participation in Child Nutrition Programs between the Williamsport Area School District and Justice Works Youth Care. This agreement will allow our district to continue to provide meals for the 2020-21 school year for the alternative and/or special education referrals operated by Justice Works Youth Care.

BIDS/CONTRACTS CONT'D:

- 11.4 Approve an agreement for the renewal of AssetMaxx fixed asset software for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at a cost of \$2,400.00 to be funded through the business office budget.
- 11.5 Approve a proposal from Singer Equipment Company, 150 S. Twin Valley Rd. Elverson, PA 19520 for a Combi Gas oven to replace one at Cochran Primary at a total cost of \$14,600.17. Proposal is through COSTARS #4400011918 and funds will come from the Food Service Fund. Purchase cannot be made until approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
- 11.6 Approve the bid from Waste Management of Coal Township, PA, for a one year contract with a two year renewal option to provide trash removal and single stream recycling services district wide at a cost per pick up of \$27.89 for an 8-yard trash container, \$20.92 for a 6-yard trash container, \$13.94 for a 4-yard trash container, \$30.21 for an 8-yard single stream container, \$15.11 for a 4-yard single stream container, and \$7.55 for a 2-yard single stream container.

TAX ITEMS – None

TRANSPORTATION – None

The motion carried by a unanimous roll call.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Timothy S. Bowers, Ed.D.

Dr. Bowers requested that the Board consider a motion to change the July 14 Board meeting to July 21. This will allow some extra time for the development of the F.I.D. (Flexible Instructional Day) plan and also our major Re-Opening Health and Safety Plan. This plan is required to reopen schools in the fall.

A motion was made by Dr. Penman, seconded by Mrs. Lake to change the July 14 Board meeting to July 21. The meeting will be an in-person meeting held at a location to be determined.

The motion carried by a unanimous 9-0 roll call vote.

Dr. Bowers provided an update on our Re-opening plan. He noted that we are still looking for a Pandemic Coordinator hoping to find someone in the medical profession. In the meantime, he is acting as our coordinator and is attending meetings.

The district Health & Safety Committee met all day on June 23 to work on the re-opening plan. The discussion included social distancing and wearing our masks. In many instances, we feel we can accommodate six feet of social distancing. School buses are one area where we cannot meet social distancing requirements, so this will be an area where masks will need to be worn. He noted that the plan will be before the Board to approve the final plan at the July 21st meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Timothy S. Bowers, Ed.D.

We are currently transitioning our district to a one-to-one (1:1) district, meaning that every student will have their own Chromebook. Schoology (Learning Management System) will be used in both in person and remote environments.

Currently we are reviewing policies that reference field trips, use of our facilities, etc. We will bring these policies to the Board for possible suspension for at least the first half of the 2020-21 school year.

Dr. Bowers thanked Greg Hayes for his work in the district both as our Executive Director of the education foundation and our Public Relations Director. He wished him well in his new position and future endeavors.

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

President Baer thanked Greg and everyone involved in the retirement and graduation videos, noting that they were outstanding.

ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

Tyra Crews, a district resident residing on Watson Street, Williamsport, addressed the Board asking several questions regarding the Anti-Racist School Climate Resolution and how it will be communicated, implemented, and measured. She suggested that perhaps a task force could be established. Dr. Bowers asked Mrs. Crews to contact his office to set up a meeting to discuss her ideas.

Upon motion made by Dr. Penman, seconded by Mrs. Reeves, and carried the meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Wanda M. Erb, Board Secretary