
WEST SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lewisberry, PA

October 17, 2024

The West Shore School Board met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. with Vice President Brent presiding.

The following members were present: Brinton, Cox (remote), Davis, Kambic, Tierney, and Trone.

Administrators present: Stoltz, Gay, Argot, Boone, Sanders, Unti, Butt, Gensler, Long, McGowan, and Ryan. Solicitor: Hall.

Opening Ceremonies

The opening ceremonies were led by Cedar Cliff High School JROTC comprised of Juniors Michael Hall and Brayden McConnell with Sophomores Micah Takafuji and Alexis Roth. A Red Land High School Quartet comprised of Seniors Rachel Sechrist and Aiden Lee, Junior Benjamin Rosenberger, and Sophomore Piper Shelley performed the National Anthem preceding the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition by the Board

Red Land High School Senior Hannah Flinchbaugh shared experiences from school.

Cedar Cliff High School Senior Jenna Faranov shared experiences from school.

Mr. Trone gave a Shout Out to the Touchdown Heard Around the World and a Shout Out to Title I Jumpstart teachers.

Mr. Brinton followed up with a Shout Out to Cedar Cliff and Carlisle players for supporting Kaden Adams.

Mrs. Tierney gave a Shout Out to everyone helping or going to the West Shore Foundation Gala on Saturday, announced that online bidding was open for all and provided an update from the Board's visit to Fairview Intermediate School.

Mrs. Davis highlighted Cedar Cliff High School's JROTC participation in a Fall Dinner with networking opportunities.

Mr. Kambic gave a Shout Out to the New Cumberland Borough Halloween Parade.

Dr. Stoltz highlighted Cedar Cliff High School Football's support of Kaden Adams' football experience and featured the District Unity Day celebration.

Opportunity for Students to Speak on Business Items

No students addressed the Board.

Opportunity for the
Public to Speak on
Business Items

Joel Askey, Lewisberry, shared her support for mental health screening and asked a question about the process. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Brandi Brandl, Camp Hill, expressed concerns about using a parental opt out option for mental health screenings. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Danielle Gross, Etners, urged the Board to vote yes on the Byrnes Health Center MOU and Health screening. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Janel Trowbridge, Dover, expressed support for using parental opt out components with mental health screenings. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Kathleen Wagner, New Cumberland, shared comments in support of puberty education and mental health screenings. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Marti Bert, New Cumberland, featured October 10 as World Mental Health Day, shared information, and expressed concerns about social media comments against board members and administration. She advocated voting for 7.j.

Denise Dugan, New Cumberland, expressed concern for automatically opting in for mental health screening and would prefer a voluntary parent opt in. She expressed concern for constitution law and need for right to privacy.

Kristi Harmon, Mechanicsburg, expressed concern for making sure we are following the rules and advocated looking for an opt in, rather than an opt out for mental health screenings.

Heather Keller, New Cumberland, extended her thanks to Board members and administrators for explaining how process found in Board Policy 105.3 works and thanked the District for having a formalized process.

Sandra McCarver, Lemoyne, spoke in favor of Byrne's Education program.

Teri Mickle, New Cumberland, expressed support for safety and mental health screenings, highlight the recognition that mental health challenges can lead to disruptive behavior.

Amy Moritz, New Cumberland, advocated for mental health screenings to prevent things from getting worse.

Kirsten Salvatore, New Cumberland, advocated for mental health screenings, referenced suicide awareness policy and other statistics about mental health related issues and reminded everyone of the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Suicide Prevention Grant used by the District to first bring the mental health screenings to our students.

Minutes	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Trone that the minutes of the meetings held on September 12, 2024, and September 19, 2024, be approved. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Treasurer’s Report	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the Treasurer’s Report for the month ending September 30, 2024, and available funds of \$78,838,522.68, be filed subject to audit. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Communications		<p>Reports from the Board Facilities, Finance, and Policy Committees were shared.</p> <p>Mrs. Brent featured information from a session on “How to Search Your Child’s Bedroom” at the Elks Club in September.</p>
Bills for Approval	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the bills as attached to these minutes. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Personnel	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Trone and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves Item 7.b.1. through Item 7.b.8. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Budgetary Transfers	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mrs. Tierney that the Board of School Directors approves the budgetary transfers to and from the following accounts in the amounts indicated. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Exoneration of Real Estate Taxes	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the Board of School Directors grants exoneration from the payment of school taxes for a total tax at face of \$26,746.70 as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Real Estate Tax Refunds	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the tax refund totaling \$4,567.14. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Revised Board Policy 105.3: Exemptions From Instruction	Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Tierney that the Board of School Directors approves revised Board Policy 105.3: Exemptions From Instruction, and authorizes submittal to PSBA to be placed in Board Policy Manual format. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
New Board Policy 828: Fraud	Motion: It was moved by Mr. Trone and seconded by Mrs. Tierney that the Board of School Directors approves new Board Policy 828: Fraud, and authorizes submittal to PSBA to be placed in Board Policy Manual format. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Staff Attendance at Professional Meetings	Motion: It was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the requests for staff attendance at professional meetings. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Byrnes Health Education Memorandum of Understanding	It was moved by Mr. Trone and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the Board of School Directors approves the attached agreement for Byrnes Health Education to deliver the "Grow and Know" program to fifth-grade students at Fairview and Old Trail Intermediate Schools during the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Medical Decision Logic Mental Health Screening Agreement	Motion: After much discussion, it was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the motion to approve be tabled until the next Board meeting. Motion to table carried on a roll call vote 6-1, with Mrs. Tierney voting in the negative.
Facility Dog Memorandum of Understanding	Motion: It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the attached Facility Dog Memorandum of Understanding for Michelle Brymesser. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.
Intermediate School Change Orders	Motion: It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the following Change Orders: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="743 1428 1372 1501">1. Old Trail General Contract Change Order #9: \$3,245.00; <li data-bbox="743 1522 1388 1596">2. Old Trail General Contract Change Order #10: -\$14,695.00; <li data-bbox="743 1617 1485 1690">3. Old Trail Site Contract Change Order #14: \$4,500.00; and <li data-bbox="743 1711 1469 1787">4. Fairview Site Contract Change Order #14: -\$184,486.49. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Transportation Agreement with Faithful Transportation

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the attached Agreement with Faithful Transportation, LLC. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Tri-State Shredding Agreement

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Trone and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the attached agreement with Tri-State Shredding. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Information Items

Dr. Argot shared proposed revisions to Board Policies: 105.2: Review of Instructional Materials by Parents and Students; 807: Opening Exercises; and Policy 824: Maintaining Professional Adult-Student Boundaries.

Erin Hoffman and Mike Savage from RLPS Architects, provided an update on planning for future renovations to Allen Middle School.

Opportunity for Students to Speak on General Items

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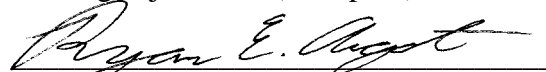
Brandi Brandl, Camp Hill, gave a Shout Out to coach Gillen and the Cedar Cliff football team for the positive experience provided by his football teammates last week. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Marvin Beshore, New Cumberland, expressed concern for hiring special counsel related to a Right-to-Know appeal as a recent court case would require the same records through discovery. He expressed concerns about lack of transparency and costs.

Heather Keller, New Cumberland, thanked the Policy Committee for listening to her comments and working through the policy revision process in the meeting. She also highlighted October 21 as the last day to register to vote in the 2024 election.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Thomas declared the meeting adjourned. (9:08 p.m.)



Dr. Ryan E. Argot, Secretary