WEST SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT Lewisberry, PA January 18, 2024

The West Shore School Board met in regular session at 6:34 p.m. with President Thomas presiding.

The following members were present: Brent, Brinton, Cox, Davis, Guistwhite, Kambic, Tierney, and Trone.

Administrators present: Stoltz, Gay, Argot, Sanders, Unti, Fourhman, Herbert, and Vogelsong. Solicitor: Say.

Opening Ceremonies		The opening ceremonies were led by Red Land High School JROTC comprised of Seniors Brighton Pearson and Xavier Zarza, Sophomore Michael Hall, and Freshman Hunter Shelley. Instrumentalists from Cedar Cliff and Red Land High School, Juniors Ben Gonce and Addison Mohnkern, Sophomore Ian Semke, and Freshmen Abigail Flowers and Reagan Henninger, performed the National Anthem.
Recognition by the Board		Cedar Cliff High School Senior Carli Jo Shoemaker shared some of her school experiences with the Board.
Opportunity for Students to Speak on Business Items		No students addressed the Board.
Opportunity for the Public to Speak on Business Items		No members of the public addressed the Board.
Minutes	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the minutes of the meeting held December 7, 2023 be approved, Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
		It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the minutes of the meeting held December 14, 2023, be approved. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-1, with Mr. Guistwhite voting in the negative.
	Motion:	After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mrs. Tierney that the revised minutes of the meeting held December 14, 2023 be approved. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Treasurer's Report	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 31, 2023, showing invested and available funds of \$69,722,074.73, be filed subject to audit. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.

Communications		Dr. Stoltz indicated the Legal Update was available for Board Review.
		Mrs. Tierney previewed West Shore Foundation's upcoming spring fundraiser.
		Mrs. Cox highlighted items from the Curriculum Committee Report.
		Mr. Guistwhite shared information about the Superintendent evaluation process.
Bills for Approval	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Guistwhite and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the Board of School Directors approves the bills as attached to these minutes. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.
Personnel	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Cox that the Board of School Directors approves Item 7.b.1. Memorandum(s) of Understanding-Professional; Item 7.b.2. Request(s) for Extended Absence – Professional; Item 7.b.3. Appointment(s) - Extra Duty; Item 7.b.4. Approval – Bus Drivers. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.
Budgetary Transfers	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Trone and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the Board of School Directors approves the budgetary transfers as presented. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.
2024-2025 Cumberland Perry Area Career Technical Center Operating Budget	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the Board of School Directors approves the proposed 2024- 2025 Cumberland Perry Area Career Technical Center Operating Budget as presented.
Staff Attendance at Professional Meetings	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the Board of School Directors approves the requests for staff attendance at professional meetings as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Prismworks Technology, Inc. Contract for Networking Services	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the attached Prismworks Technology, Inc. Contract for Networking Services. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.
ACIS Educational Tours – Germany, Austria, and Switzerland	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Cox that the Board of School Directors approves ACIS Educational Tours to provide travel services to Germany, Austria and Switzerland from June 18, 2024, through June 25, 2024. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.

Intermediate School Change Orders	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Trone that the Board of School Directors approves one no cost change order as attached. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Information Items		The Facility and Finance Committee minutes were shared.
		Dr. Stoltz shared the proposed 2024-2025 School Calendar.
		Mr. Sanders introduced Brian Bingeman from Turf, Track, and Court who provided a preliminary design for Athletic Improvements at Red Land High School.
		Dr. Stoltz facilitated a conversation on potentially forming a Citizens' Advisory Committee for Red Land Athletic Facilities Improvement. Through conversation, it was decided to appoint a Board committee of Mr. Brinton, Mr. Guistwhite, and Mr. Kambic to focus on Red Land Athletic Facilities Improvements.
Opportunity for Students to Speak on General Items		No students addressed the Board.
Opportunity for the Public to Speak on General Items		Dan Almoney, Etters, shared concerns related to the direction of the Board.
		Joei Askey, Lewisberry, shared concerns related to the direction of the Board.
		Marty Bert, New Cumberland, shared concerns related to the direction of the Board.
		Karen Bosco, York Haven, expressed support for changes being led by the Board.
		Larry Cox, Lewisberry, shared his desire to dream big and support the Red Land athletic program.
		Julie Estep, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about the way last week's agenda caught Board members by surprise.
		Jay Hess, Etters, expressed concerns about secrecy by the Board in the way it is pursuing a new direction. He also expressed that last month's minutes failed to document his concerns about the Board's research abilities.
		Todd Keefer, York Haven, is happy with the way the new Board members are thinking and warned everyone about PSBA and the teachers' union.

Heather Keller, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about last week's meeting as well as concern about the potential change to Board Policy 005.

Lauri Lebo, York Haven, expressed concerns about the direction the new Board is going and highlighted prior issues at Dover Area School District.

Jeffrey Piccola, commended the Board for doing a Request for Proposal for legal services.

Dora Polk, New Cumberland, shared her appreciation for Mrs. Dominick and Mr. Wensel. She expressed concerns about not being able to see curricular materials presented by the Byrnes Health Education Center and her appreciation for administration's response to those concerns.

Casey Reed, New Cumberland, expressed congratulations and support for the new Board members.

Kirsten Salvatore, Mechanicsburg, expressed her experience with the Board over the last few years, highlighting a preference for a unified Board, rather than one that bickers with itself.

Kristi Spangler, Mechanicsburg, expressed her concerns about the new Board members being attacked at last week's meeting.

Diane Andes, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about the Board's secrecy and the process of securing new legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Suzy Atkins, Camp Hill, expressed concerns about the lack of due process related to the legal services RFP. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Stephen Beaver, Lewisberry, expressed concerns about the process of changing legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Lisa Budwig, Lemoyne, expressed concerns about the potential revision to Board Policy 005. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Gabrielle Chidester, Camp Hill, expressed concerns related to the lack of transparency and compliance with established norms. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting. Michael Crocenzi, York Haven, expressed concerns about the athletic facility upgrades proposed for Red Land High School. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Judy Crocenzi, Etters, expressed concerns about the RFP for legal services and asked several questions about the process. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Faith Curran, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about how the Board is pursuing new legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Natalie Dameshek, Lemoyne, expressed concerns about how the Board is pursuing new legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Erin Edwards, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about the legal services RFP. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Deb Gray, Camp Hill, expressed concerns about lack of transparency and internal Board conflicts. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Danielle Gross, Etters, highlighted the need for transparency, expressed concern for proposed changes to Board Policy 005, and doesn't want athletic facility enhancements to "jump the line" over existing facility needs. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Heidi Hartman, Lewisberry, expressed concerns about how the legal services RFP was drafted. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Nancy Heisler, Camp Hill, expressed concerns related to the potential change in legal counsel and the way policies might be changed. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Lisa Hicks, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about the RFP for legal services and asked some questions about the process. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Tara High, Etters, expressed concerns about how the Board is pursuing new legal counsel and lack of advanced communication associated with this direction. She also asked a number of questions related to the timing of this change. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting. Ellen Hopkins, Lewisberry, expressed concerns about the way changes are being proposed. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

John Hopkins, Lewisberry, expressed concerns with the way Board Leadership is performing. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Shelley Jones, Lemoyne, thanked the Board members for their service and then asked several questions related to the reasons and timing of the proposed change. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Tony Kapranos, Mechanicsburg, expressed concerns about a lack of transparency and failure to adhere to protocols. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Jennifer King, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about the RFP for legal counsel and secrecy in the process. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Ron Massott, Camp Hill, expressed concerns about the secrecy of the legal services RFP. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Teri Mickle, New Cumberland, encouraged the Board to pursue transparency when making decisions for the District. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Diana Miles, Etters, expressed concerns about the lack of time for Board members to consider the materials which were presented to them related to an RFP for new legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Joe and Amy Moritz, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about how the Board is pursuing new legal counsel and requested answers to a number of questions. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Gaylon Morris, Lemoyne, expressed concerns about how the RFP for legal services was brought to the Board. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Dorothy McDermott, Lemoyne, expressed concerns about how the Board is pursuing new legal counsel and requested answers to a number of questions. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting. Frank Miles, Etters, expressed his objection to releasing an RFP for Legal Services. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Jesse and Sydney Monoski, Lemoyne, asked a question seeking to understand why the Board is pursuing new legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Sheri Moyer, New Cumberland, expressed concerns related to the legal services RFP and the lack of transparency. She shared her support for Stock and Leader. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Kim Patterson, Etters, expressed concerns about the lack of transparency associated with developing an RFP for new legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Cynthia Spigelmyer, Lewisberry, expressed concerns that efforts to replace the school solicitor were done in violation of the Sunshine Act. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Andrew Peternith, Lewisberry, asked questions about the new direction and the timing of the RFP for legal services.

Allison Schoener, Etters, expressed concerns of the legal services RFP. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Angela Smith, New Cumberland, raised concerns about the direction being taken by the Board. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Ellen Smith, Mechanicsburg, expressed concerns about how the Board is pursuing new legal counsel. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Sue Smith, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about how quickly the Board is attempting to make changes. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Janel Trowbridge, Dover, raised concerns and asked questions about the timing of the legal services RFP and the proposed change to policy.

Liisa Temple, Lewisberry, raised concerns about the legal services RFP, the proposed change to Board Policy 005, the policy agenda, and repairs needed for the natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Debra Yates, Lemoyne, advocated for transparency by the School Board and shared concerns about changes outside of school policy. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Ryan Wilt, Lemoyne, expressed concerns about the direction the Board is headed. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Stacey Zucchero, Etters, expressed concerns about a lack of communication related to her son's transportation. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Dr. Stoltz provided some follow-up clarification on the protocol used related to communicating information about pertussis.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Thomas declared the meeting adjourned. (9:29 p.m.)

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Dr. Ryan E. Argot, Secretary