
WEST SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lewisberry, PA

December 12, 2024

The West Shore School Board met in regular session at 6:31 p.m. with President Brent presiding.

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

Administrators present: Stoltz, Gay, Argot, Boone, Sanders, Unti, Butt, Harrison, Herbert, Long, Ryan, and Vogel song. Solicitor: Hall.

Opening Ceremonies

The opening ceremonies were led by Red Land High School JROTC comprised of Senior Brayden McConnell, Sophomores Alexis Roth, Jaxen Borkowski, and Bryce Reigle with Freshman Jaynaira Berrios. A string quartet from Crossroads Middle School comprised of Eighth Graders Jaeleen Angulo, Lily Hazzard, James Washburn, and Ansdan White performed the National Anthem preceding the Pledge of Allegiance. The string quartet also performed a number of holiday tunes before the Board meeting was called to order.

Recognition by the Board

The Board recognized contributors to the District's holiday card:

- Cover Illustration - Crossroads Middle School Eighth Grader Camryn Buch;
- Inside Illustration - Allen Middle School Eighth Grader Yana Semke; and
- Inside Verse - Red Land High School Senior Aiden Lee.

The Board recognized the West Shore Marching Band for its Group 5 Open Class Championship season:

- Second place at Pennsylvania State Championships - best percussion;
- First place at Mid Atlantic Regional Championships - swept all captions, music, visual, percussion, and color guard; and
- Second place at US Bands Nationals Championships.

Red Land High School Senior Joseph (LJ) Brtalik shared experiences from school.

Cedar Cliff High School Senior Elias Urich shared experiences from school.

Mr. Kambic recognized the passing of Mr. Pantalone.

Mr. Brinton shared Pennsylvania's birthday, the Zach Peifer Memorial Diving Competition and the loss of Chris Straub.

Mrs. Brent announced a free community dinner for those in need at the Fairview Township Fire Hall.

Dr. Stoltz featured sixth grade's use of the Star Lab at Old Trail Intermediate, the District's recognition as a 2025 Purple Star School, numerous concerts for band, orchestra, and chorus. He previewed upcoming Keystone Exams, and gave a personal shout out to all District employees and students for all that they have accomplished thus far to make the first half of the 2024-2025 school year memorable for those around them.

Opportunity for
Students to Speak on
Business Items

No students addressed the Board.

Opportunity for the
Public to Speak on
Business Items

Teri Mickle, New Cumberland, advocated for full day kindergarten.

Minutes

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Cox that the minutes of the meetings held on November 14, 2024, and November 21, 2024, be approved. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0 (Mr. Kambic had temporarily exited the meeting).

Treasurer's Report

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Tierney that the Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 31, 2024, and available funds of \$74,496,917.01 be filed subject to audit. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Communications

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves of the Board Hearing Administrator's recommendations in student disciplinary case 24.25-304. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Mrs. Tierney provided an update from the West Shore Foundation.

Mr. Brinton shared news from the Board Policy Committee.

Mrs. Thomas featured York Adams Academy January 22 winter graduation.

Mrs. Davis provided some updates from the Facilities Committee.

Mr. Kambic provided some details from the Transportation Committee.

Mr. Trone shared information from the Finance Committee.

Reports from the Finance and Board Policy Committees were shared online.

Bills for Approval	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mr. Trone that the Board of School Directors approves the bills as attached to these minutes. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.
Personnel	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Cox that the Board of School Directors approves Item 7.b.1. through Item 7.b.11. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.
Real Estate Tax Refunds	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the Board of School Directors approves one tax refund totaling \$6,441.37;
Budgetary Transfers		budgetary transfers as attached;
Transfer to Capital Reserve Fund		transferring \$2,000,000.00 to the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding capital project expenses and/or the payment of debt services;
PFM Bond Refinancing Parameter Resolution		the attached Resolution authorizing the incurrence of non-electoral debt by the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2025; and
Resolution - Compensation for Tax Collectors		the attached resolution for the collection of taxes for the West Shore School District effective July 1, 2026. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.
Purchase and Installation of Conveyor Style Dishwasher	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Trone that the Board of School Directors authorizes use of Food Service financial reserves and awards the bid for a new Hobart Dish Machine to Singer Equipment Company, 150 S. Twin Valley Rd, Elverson, PA 19520 in the amount totaling \$44,579.07, as the lowest bidder meeting specifications. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.
Staff Attendance at Professional Meetings	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mrs. Cox that the Board of School Directors approves the requests for staff attendance at professional meetings;
Cedar Cliff High School Baseball Trip		the trip for the Cedar Cliff High School baseball team to Cary, North Carolina, for the period Thursday, March 13, 2025, through Sunday, March 16, 2025;
Red Land High School Baseball Trip		the trip for the Red Land High School baseball team to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, for the period Friday, March 14, 2025, through Tuesday, March 17, 2025;

American Music Abroad Tours	American Music Abroad Tours to provide travel services to students during the 2025 summer months;
Red Land FBLA State Leadership Conference	the trip for FBLA students to participate in the conference at Hershey Lodge, Hershey, Pennsylvania, from Monday, April 7, 2025, through Wednesday, April 9, 2025;
West Shore Percussion - WGI Regional Competition	the trip for the West Shore Percussion to Richmond, Virginia, for the period Friday, March 7, 2025, through Sunday, March 9, 2025;
Newfound Harbor Marine Institute (Seacamp) Trip	the trip for the Crossroads Middle School students to travel to Newfound Harbor Marine Institute in Big Pine Key, Florida, on Saturday, June 7, 2025, through Wednesday, June 11, 2025;
Course Selection Offerings 2025-2026	the revised Course Selection offerings as the District continues to strengthen the academic program for its students; and
Best Friends Daycare and Latchkey Lease Agreement	the attached Day Care and Latchkey Lease Agreement with Best Friends Day Care, LLC. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.
Acceptance of Subgrantee Status for RACP Award	<p>Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mr. Brinton that the Board of School Directors normally accepts the transfer of subgrantee status for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) award from the Red Land All Sports Booster Association for the project - Red Land High School Athletic Fields (4401-00); acknowledges and accepts all responsibilities and obligations associated with the subgrantee designation, including compliance with all program requirements, reporting obligations, and the administration of the RACP project in accordance with Pennsylvania Office of the Budget guidelines; and authorizes the Administration to execute the transfer of status on behalf of the District. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.</p>
Information Items	<p>Mrs. Boone provided a first look at the 2025 General Fund Budget.</p> <p>Mr. Harrison shared a presentation on initial planning for Full Day Kindergarten.</p>
Opportunity for Students to Speak on General Items	Lillian Tommaselli, Cedar Cliff High School Sophomore, expressed concerns about Board leadership.
Opportunity for the Public to Speak on General Items	Sandra Gonzalez, York Haven, expressed concerns that she was not told before the meeting her public comment card was filled out improperly, commended Mrs. Tierney for being prepared at meetings, and indicated the community notices when Board members are prepared.

Kristi Harmon, Mechanicsburg, thanked Mrs. Thomas for her leadership as President and commended the flow of the evening's meeting.

Victoria Madden, Lemoyne, advocated for returning to reading the entire Board public comment when submitted electronically, highlighted recent Board actions, and spoke about West Shore Unified.

Mathew Marshall, Mechanicsburg, shared thoughts about Board conduct as well as conduct by Board leadership as well as advocated for civility.

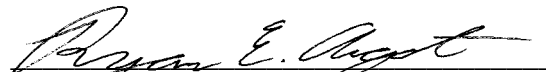
Dan Mickle, New Cumberland, advocated for doing a better job of recognizing bus drivers.

Gabrielle Perkins, Etters, shared concerns about comments made by Board members, then encouraged everyone to work together.

Mariana Reed, New Cumberland, congratulated Board leadership and encouraged everyone to work together.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Brent declared the meeting adjourned. (≈9:05 p.m.)



Dr. Ryan E. Argot, Secretary