
WEST SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lewisberry, PA

February 8, 2024

The West Shore School Board met in regular session at 6:30 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, Boone, Sanders, Unti, Butt, Fourhman, Harrison, and Vogelsong. Solicitor: Say.

Recognition by the Board

Mr. Kambic gave a Shout Out for School Counselors.

Mrs. Cox gave a Shout Out for everything tied to the West Shore Foundation Academic Bowl and highlighted items from the Crossroads Middle School Board visit.

Mr. Brinton gave a Shout Out to student athletes competing in the postseason and wished them good luck.

Mrs. Brent gave a Shout Out to the DaVinci program and commended the work of Katelyn Wonders.

Mr. Trone gave a Shout Out to the West Shore Percussion Ensemble for winning first place in the local Keystone Indoor Drill Association competition.

Mrs. Thomas gave a Shout Out to those in the Top 3 for Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy. She indicated two students would be present next week to read their paper/speech.

Dr. Stoltz provided multiple Shout Outs:

- Cedar Cliff High School Juniors Eloise Billus and Jackson Kane participated in the Pennsylvania High School Speech League District Competition at Messiah University. Jackson finished in first place and Eloise brought home third place in the Informative Speech category.
- Last week, Special Olympics Pennsylvania held its 40th annual ski competition and two West Shore students brought home ribbons. Cedar Cliff High School's Freshman Brandon Stanley earned first place and Red Land High School's Senior Noah Weaver earned second place.
- Red Land High School Senior Corrine Armes secured her third consecutive Mid-Penn Conference Class 3A diving title and Sophomore Hannah Ely earned Fifth Place.

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- Today was the 100th day of school and to celebrate, several elementary staff and students across the District dressed up like they were 100 years old, wore custom 100th day themed t-shirts, or dressed as though it was 100 degrees!

Mr. Sanders provided an overview of the Facilities Committee meeting, highlighting the desire to improve indoor and outdoor athletic facilities at the Red Land High School campus.

Opportunity for
Students to Speak on
Business Items

Red Land High School Sophomore Nathan Jackson expressed support for repairing the Natatorium.

Crossroads Middle School eighth grader Riley Temple expressed support for a new turf field and support for repairing the pool.

Red Land High School Senior Sydnie Lau encouraged the District to move forward with repairs at the Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Opportunity for the
Public to Speak on
Business Items

Liisa Temple, Lewisberry, expressed concern for conditions at the West Shore Natatorium.

Todd Miller, West Shore Recreation, shared his support for improvements to the West Shore Natatorium.

Melinda Accardi, Mechanicsburg, expressed support for refurbishing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Diane Andes, New Cumberland, expressed support for using funds to refurbish existing facilities over adding a turf field. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Paula and Aaron Armes, New Cumberland, encouraged the Board to move forward with West Shore Natatorium renovations. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Aquatic Club of the West Shore, expressed support for West Shore Natatorium renovations. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Dara and Eric Bourassa, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about safety at the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Wayne Cartwright, Eppers, expressed concern for creating a new sports facility. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Todd Chance, New Cumberland, shared his desire for a standalone Natatorium built in conjunction with the proposed athletic improvements. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Rebekah Craig, Eppers, shared her support for the experiences offered at the District's Natatorium and encouraged the District to fix issues with the pool and ventilation system. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Judy Crocenzi, Eppers, expressed her concerns related to current conditions at the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Michael Crocenzi, York Haven, suggested delaying the project associated with conceptual plans for the Red Land campus and proposed using grant funds to relocate the existing tennis courts for ADA compliance. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Ashley Daley, Lewisberry, shared her experiences and expressed support for refurbishing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Amanda Endy, New Cumberland, shared family stories and expressed support for repairs and updates at the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

David Folk, Camp Hill, shared family stories, expressed support for repairing the West Shore Natatorium, and highlighted fiscal responsibility of sharing facilities like the Natatorium and Stadium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Christy and Jesse Fry, New Cumberland, encouraged the District to proceed with renovations for the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Elizabeth Garafalo, Etters, shared her support for repairing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Dara Groff, New Cumberland, encouraged the District to continue moving forward with renovations for the Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Pamela Grundon, Camp Hill, shared her support for repairing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Heidi Hartman, Lewisberry, shared family stories and advocated for repairs and upgrades at West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Donna Hess, York Haven, shared family stories and her support for repairing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Allison Jackson, York Haven, shared family stories and expressed support for repairs and updates at the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Emily Lyons, New Cumberland, shared her memories and her support for repairing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

M. Susan Morrow, Etters, shared her support to repairing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Gretchen Peiffer, Dover, shared her family stories and exhorted the Board to fix the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Greg Peters, Lewisberry, shared his support for refurbishments and upgrades to the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

April Pontius-Peters, Lewisberry, encouraged the District to proceed with renovations for the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Brian Rainey, Mechanicsburg, encouraged the District to provide needed repairs to the Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Pam Shoop, Camp Hill, encouraged the District to proceed with renovations for the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Jill Titus, Etters, shared her family stories and support for repairing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Erica Traub, Etters, encouraged the District to move forward in providing repairs to the Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Susie Weisinger, Mechanicsburg, highlighted the value the West Shore Natatorium provides for the community and encouraged the Board to make necessary renovations and upgrades. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Jenni Wenhold, New Cumberland, shared her memories and her support for repairing the West Shore Natatorium. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this month's Board meeting.

Communications

Dr. Stoltz indicated there were no communications.

Personnel

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the Board of School Directors approves Item 5.a.1. Retirement(s) – Support; Item 5.a.1a. Resignation(s) – Professional; Item 5.a.2. Resignation(s) – Support; Item 5.a.3. Resignation(s) –Extra Duty; Item 5.a.4. Request(s) for Extended Absence – Professional; Item 5.a.4a. Request(s) for Extended Absence – Extra Duty; Item 5.a.5. Alteration(s) to Employment Status – Support; Item 5.a.6. Alteration(s) to Employment Status – Extra Duty; Item 5.a.6a. Appointment(s) -

Professional; Item 5.a.7. Appointment(s) - Support; Item 5.a.8. Appointment(s) - Extra Duty; Item 5.a.9. Approval Supplemental Time; Item 5.a.10. Approval – Bus Drivers; Item 5.a.11. Approval – Substitute Lists. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.

Purchase and
Installation of
Conveyor Style Dish
Machines

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the Board of School Directors authorized use of Food Service financial reserves and awarded two bids for new Hobart Dish Machines to Singer Equipment Company, 150 S. Twin Valley Rd, Elverson, PA 19520 in the amount totaling \$102,985.43, as the lowest bidder meeting specifications. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.

CAPT Agreement

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Kambic that the Board of School Directors approved the attached Capital Area Pathways to Teaching agreement. Motion carried on a role call vote 9-0.

Update to Parameters
for the Organization of
Public Comment

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the Board of School Directors adopted the parameters for the organization of public comment as presented to be effective on February 15, 2024. Motion carried on a role call vote 8-1, with Mr. Guistwhite voting in the negative.

Red Land Athletics
Facilities Improvement
Committee

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the Board of School Directors table discussion on the formation of a Red Land Athletics Facilities Improvement Committee. Motion to table failed to carry on a role call vote 2-7, with Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Thomas voting in the positive.

Motion: It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Cox that the Board of School Directors approves the formation of a new Red Land Athletics Facilities Committee, that the Board President appoints committee members, and the Board Secretary works with the committee leadership to appropriately advertise the new committee meeting schedule. Motion failed to carry on a role call vote 2-7, with Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Thomas voting in the positive.

Information Items

Dr. Stoltz provided an overview of the February 15 Board agenda and an update on feedback related to the proposed 2024-2025 School Calendar.

Christopher Linkey from RLPS Architects provided an update on renovations and additions to Allen Middle School.

Senahid Zahirovic from Boyer & Ritter LLC provided an overview of the most recent audit.

Opportunity for
Students to Speak on
General Items

No students addressed the Board.

Opportunity for the
Public to Speak on
General Items

Denise Dugan, New Cumberland, indicated she had some questions about Board Policy 908 and questions on public comment.

Stephen Flores, Mechanicsburg, shared concerns that violence at Allen Middle School is not being adequately reported to the District.

Dora Polk, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about issues related to Board Policy 105.2 and the materials presented by Byrnes Health Center.

Kristi Spangler, Mechanicsburg, wants metal detectors in the schools, citing a recent issue at Cumberland Valley School District.

Dorothy McDermott, Lemoyne, expressed concerns about the potential changes to Board Policy 005 presented at last month's Policy meeting. These comments were shared with the Board after last month's Board meeting and are being summarized here for transparency.

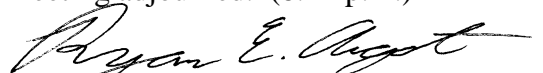
Catherine Wertz, Eppers, expressed concerns about the potential legal service RFP. These comments were shared with the Board after last month's Board meeting and are being summarized here for transparency.

Susan Ryder, New Cumberland, expressed concerns about the way the three minute public comment period is being implemented and concerned about the way new legal services are being pursued. These comments were shared with the Board after last month's Board meeting and are being summarized here for transparency.

Erin Edwards, New Cumberland, gave a Shout Out to Mr. Tom Peifer for his communications through changing weather conditions. These comments were shared with the Board prior to this evening's Board meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Thomas declared the meeting adjourned. (8:41 p.m.)



Dr. Ryan E. Argot, Secretary
