
WEST SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lewisberry, PA

May 16, 2024

The West Shore School Board met in regular session at 6:42 p.m. with President Thomas presiding.

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

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

Opening Ceremonies

The opening ceremonies were led by Red Land High School JROTC comprised of Senior Xavier Zarza, Sophomores Michael Hall and Daytona Maxwell, with Freshmen Damien Manley, and Hunter Shelley. Crossroads Middle School Orchestral performers Eighth Graders Hiba Bahraoui, Olivia Coyne, Bryanna Hart, Camryn McPartland, and Eloise Place with seventh graders Ella Cohick and James Washburn played the National Anthem before the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition by the Board

Red Land High School Senior Katelyn Wonders shared some of her school experiences with the Board.

Cedar Cliff High School Valedictorian Caleb Masshardt shared some of his school experiences with the Board.

Mrs. Tierney provided updates from the West Shore Foundation.

Mr. Guistwhite praised Mr. Wensel and Fishing Creek Families for their support of the PTO fundraiser.

Mrs. Thomas highlighted the significance of Memorial Day and thanked families for their sacrifices.

Dr. Stoltz featured the District's Career & Military Signing events at both high schools to honor these members of the Class of 2024; Mike Zwatty and Justin Frawley from the West Shore's Instructional Technology team who launched their own podcast (Shore Cast) dedicated to showcasing the great things teachers and students are doing in our District; and offered congratulations to Anderson French, a Senior at Red Land High School, who was named one of PennLive.com's Best & Brightest 2024. Additionally, Isaiah Brown and Ashley Doyle, Red Land High School, and Caleb Masshardt, Cedar Cliff High School, were named Best & Brightest semifinalists.

		Dr. Stoltz also provided a reminder that from 6-8 p.m. on May 17, the community was invited to join students and staff at Roof Park as we prepare to say Farewell to Fairview Elementary.
Opportunity for Students to Speak on Business Items		No students addressed the Board.
Opportunity for the Public to Speak on Business Items		Sandra Gonzalez, York Haven, shared concerns for the budget and for expenditures.
		Heather Keller, New Cumberland, encouraged the Board to honor Juneteenth when it holds its meeting on June 19, 2025.
		Dan Mickle, New Cumberland, expressed concern for how legal counsel was appointed.
Minutes	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the minutes of the meetings held April 11, 2024, April 18, 2024, and April 30, 2024, be approved. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Treasurer's Report	Motion:	It was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mr. Trone that the Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2024, and available funds of \$42,503,524.80, be filed subject to audit. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Communications		Dr. Stoltz indicated the legal update had been shared with the Board.
		It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Tierney that the Board of School Directors approves the Board Hearing Administrator's recommendation in student disciplinary case 23.24-168.
		Mrs. Cox raised concerns about bullying issues and the perception that Board members are not doing anything.
		Mrs. Tierney requested information about the March 15, 2024 PA Growth PAC meeting attended by other Board members.
Bills for Approval	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the Board of School Directors approves the bills as attached to these minutes. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Personnel	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Davis the Board of School Directors approves Item 7.b.1. Approval – Supplemental Time; Item 7.b.1a. Reinstatement(s) - Support; Item 7.b.1b. Retirement(s) – Support; Item 7.b.1c. Resignation(s)-Support; Item 7.b.1d. Resignation(s)-Extra Duty; Item 7.b.1e. Alteration(s) to Employment Status – Professional; Item 7.b.1f. Alteration(s) to Employment Status – Support; Item

		<p>7.b.1g. Appointment(s)-Professional; Item 7.b.1h. Appointment(s) – Extra Duty; Item 7.b.2. Memorandum(s) of Understanding-Professional; Item 7.b.3. Approval - Substitute List. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0-1 with Mr. Guistwhite abstaining.</p>
Appointment of Depositories	Motion:	<p>It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the Board of School Directors appoints PNC Bank, First National Bank, Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund, Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust, AmeriChoice, New Cumberland Federal Credit Union, M&T Bank, Members First, and Susquehanna Valley Credit Union as Depositories for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.</p>
Budgetary Transfers	Motion:	<p>It was moved by Mr. Trone and seconded by Mrs. Thomas 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 9-0.</p>
Appointment of a Solicitor	Motion:	<p>It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors reappoints Tucker Arensberg Attorneys, 300 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 200, Camp Hill, PA 17011, as Solicitor/Labor Counsel for the year beginning July 1, 2024, in accordance with the terms set forth in the attached correspondence. Motion carried on a roll call vote 5-4, with Guistwhite, Kambic, Tierney, and Trone voting in the negative.</p>
Appointment of a Treasurer	Motion:	<p>It was moved by Mr. Brinton and seconded by Mrs. Brent that the Board of School Directors appoints Stevie J. Boone as Treasurer for one (1) year, beginning July 1, 2024. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.</p>
Calendars of School Board Meeting Policy Committee Meetings, and Newspapers of General Circulation 2024-2025	Motion:	<p>It was moved by Mr. Kambic and seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the Board of School Directors approves the 2024-2025 School Board Meeting and Board Committee Meeting calendars and newspapers of general circulation as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.</p>

Revised Board Policy 206: Assignment Within District	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the Board of School Directors approves the revision to Board Policy 206: Assignment Within District; approves the revision to Board Policy 213: Grading of Student Progress (effective 2024-2025); approves the revision to Board Policy 215: Promotion and Retention (effective 2024-2025); approves the revision to Board Policy 802: School Organization (effective 2024-2025); approves the revision to Board Policy 804: School Day (effective 2024-2025); and authorizes submittal to PSBA to be placed in Board Policy Manual format. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
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Revised Board Policy 215: Promotion and Retention		
Revised Board Policy 802: School Organization		
Revised Board Policy 804: School Day		
Staff Attendance at Professional Meetings	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Cox 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.
Adoption of AP Art History Resource	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the Board of School Directors approves the Resource Adoption for AP Art History for 2024-2025 as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
ACIS Educational Tours - Costa Rica	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves ACIS Educational Tours to provide travel services to Costa Rica from June 16, 2025, through June 23, 2025. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Extension to Contract for Transportation Services and Mutual Release and Settlement Agreement	Motion:	It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Thomas that the Board of School Directors approves the attached one-year extension of the Contract for Transportation Services with First Student, Inc. for the 2024-2025 school year and the Mutual Release and Settlement Agreement. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.
Intermediate School Change Orders		<p>It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board of School Directors approves the following Change Orders:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fairview Plumbing Contract Change Order #5: \$1,731.00 2. Fairview Electric Contract Change Order #4: \$3,810.75 3. Fairview Electric Contract Change Order #5 (credit): - \$10,625.26

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4. Fairview Site Contract Change Order #8: \$142,736.58
 5. Old Trail Plumbing Contract Change Order #4: \$2,250
 6. Old Trail Electric Contract Change Order #2 (rev.): \$3,279.48
 7. Old Trail Electric Contract Change Order #3 (credit): - \$24,904.55. Motion carried on a roll call vote 9-0.

Information Items

Dr. Stoltz reminded everyone that commencement ceremonies are scheduled for June 7 at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex.

Opportunity for
Students to Speak on
General Items

No students addressed the Board.

Opportunity for the
Public to Speak on
General Items

Brandi Brandl, Camp Hill, expressed concerns about the District's response to bullying. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Leslie Brelsford, Camp Hill, asked about whether fees with Tucker Arensberg had been renegotiated. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Denise Dugan, New Cumberland, provided a review of several laws related to creating regulations, rules, and policies. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Danielle Gross, Etters, shared her support for the work done by Mrs. Boone in pursuing the RFP process for banking providers. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Ben Hodge, New Cumberland, asked questions about the PA Economic Growth PAC and whether Board Leadership was taking direction from this PAC. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Celeste Jack, Camp Hill, expressed concerns and raised questions about the superintendent's leadership. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Candice Kapranos, Mechanicsburg, advocated for Full Day Kindergarten. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Victoria Madden, Lemoyne, asked about performance reports related to cyber schools. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Sheri Moyer, New Cumberland, shared information about Act 16 reporting and thoughts about District expenses. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Kristen Youse, New Cumberland, expressed support for mental health services and support for LGBTQIA+ students. These comments were shared with the Board in advance.

Diane Batcha, Lewisberry, expressed concern related to the tone of comments from the community and encouraged Board leadership to control it.

Regina Benson, Lewisberry, advocated for Board members to model good behavior and stop bullying each other.

Jonathan Edson, Mechanicsburg, advocated for the Board and the community to work together and expressed concerns about revisions to Title IX.

Bill Gramlich, Camp Hill, thanked veterans for their service, expressed concerns for tax increases, and shared support for Board leadership.

Sandra Gonzalez, York Haven, raised concerns about grades, tax reassessment, and bullying.

Kristi Harmon, Mechanicsburg, expressed a concern for a false narrative, adult behaviors, the lack of focus on student issues, and the need to fix issues.

Dan Mickle, New Cumberland, advocated for collaboration with the community, potentially through Town Hall Meetings.

Teri Mickle, New Cumberland, thanked teachers, administrators, and the Board. She also highlighted May as Mental Health Month and the need to support kids.

Jay Hess, Etters, shared reports of bullying, talked about difficulties of LGBTQIA+ students, and encouraged the District to support inclusive policies.

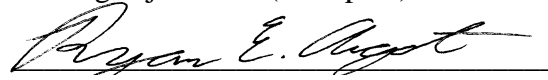
Casey Reed, New Cumberland, expressed concerns for activities who falsely accuse others of having plans to change policy. He also gave *The Girl From the Sea* to the Board as a sample of student literature he found inappropriate for schools.

Mariana Reed, New Cumberland, gave a Shout Out to Mr. Christine, expressed concern for the Superintendent's leadership, and advocated for the need to stop bullying.

Jennifer Wright, Mechanicsburg, advocated for the Board to listen, show respect, be truthful and be honest.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Thomas declared the meeting adjourned. (8:42 p.m.)

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ryan E. Argot", written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Ryan E. Argot, Secretary