WEST SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT Lewisberry, PA May 9, 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, Cox, Davis, Guistwhite, Kambic, Tierney, and Trone.

Administrators present: Stoltz, Gay, Argot, Boone, Sanders, Unti, Fourhman, and Vogelsong. Solicitor: Hall.

Recognition by the Board

Mr. Kambic provided updates from student events.

Mrs. Tierney featured West Shore Foundation's recent miniature golf fundraiser.

Mrs. Cox thanked teachers as part of Teacher Appreciation Week.

Mrs. Brent gave a Shout Out to Mr. Weaver for all of his work with aquaponics.

Mr. Trone wished all moms a Happy Mother's Day and featured winners of the 26th Annual Tom Buskey Student Achievement Awards. During the event three West Shore students (Adi Mujkanovic, West Shore Connect; Crystal Miller, Cedar Cliff; and Abby Clouser, Red Land) were recognized by the CAIU Regional Transition Council for overcoming personal obstacles.

Mr. Kambic gave a Shout Out to all of the District's nurses.

Dr. Stoltz highlighted Mental Health Awareness Month and a reminder of the District's partnership with Care Solace. Care Solace assists individuals find mental health care providers and substance use treatment centers. Their services may be accessed at no cost to anyone in our school community, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year, and in 200+ languages.

Dr. Stoltz featured The U.S. News and World Report release of its 2024 Best High Schools report that for the second year in a row included Red Land High School. Red Land ranked #12 in York County metro high schools, #281 in the state and in the top 40% of high schools in the country.

Dr. Stoltz shared that Cedar Cliff's Academic WorldQuest team [Junior Jackson Kane, Senior Caleb Masshardt (captain), Junior Rory Gannon, and Junior Rayna Johnson] and their advisor, Angela Kamps, represented the state of Pennsylvania and The World Affairs Council of Harrisburg at the National Academic

WorldQuest competition in Washington D.C. Students tested their knowledge of world affairs against the top teams in the nation and brought home an impressive 16th place!

Dr. Stoltz announced Caleb Masshardt, a Senior at Cedar Cliff, has been chosen as a 2024 National Merit Scholarship Winner! Caleb is one of only 2,500 distinguished high school seniors across the nation selected for this prestigious honor. Upon graduation, Caleb will be attending Harvard University where we know he will continue to make us West Shore Proud.

Dr. Stoltz concluded with an acknowledgement of Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week!

Opportunity for Students to Speak on Business Items

Cedar Cliff Sophomore Avery Zappe advocated for keeping Jeannette Fodness at Cedar Cliff High School. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Opportunity for the Public to Speak on Business Items

Kirsten Salvatore, Mechanicsburg, expressed concerns related to the assignment of a staff member. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Danielle Gross, Etters, expressed support for the work done by Rhonda Fourhman

Communications

No Communications were shared with the Board.

Personnel Motion:

It was moved by Mrs. Brent and seconded by Mrs. Davis that 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 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.

2024-2025 Adoption of Motion: the Proposed Final Budget

It was moved by Mrs. Tierney and seconded by Mr. Guistwhite that the Board of School Directors adopts the 2024-2025 Expenditure Budget in the amount of \$156,793,704. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-1, with Mrs. Thomas voting in the negative.

JASCPA BizTown Motion: MOU

It was moved by Mr. Guistwhite and seconded by Mrs. Tierney that the Board of School Directors approves the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Junior Achievement of South Central Pennsylvania for the instruction and participation in BizTown during the 2024-2025 school year;

Emerge Education, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Central Penn College West Shore Connect Agreement

Contract for Mental Health Referral Services – Care Solace

Information Items

Opportunity for Students to Speak on General Items

Opportunity for the Public to Speak on General Items approves the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Emerge Education for the Provision of Workforce Development Services;

approves the Agreement with Central Penn College for the West Shore Connect Program for the 2024-25 school year; and

approves the attached amendment to renew the service agreement for mental health referral services provided by Care Solace. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Mr. Guistwhite exited the meeting shortly after the vote (7:18 PM).

Dr. Stoltz provided an overview of the May 16 Board agenda.

Allen Middle School eighth grader Camryn Clelland shared concerns about transphobia and bullying.

Allen Middle School seventh grader Maximiliaan Zuna advocated for trans students to be more accepted.

Jonathan Edson, Mechanicsburg, thanked Rossmoyne Elementary School staff for their excellent work and expressed the desire for the Board to focus on kids and taking care of buildings. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Kristi Harmon, Mechanicsburg, expressed concerns about children leaving schools because of policies not being followed, shared her concern that Board members are supporting a lawsuit that is a waste of time and money, and voiced disappointment that Board members are allowing and paving the way for community members to attack fellow board members. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Candice Kapranos, Mechanicsburg, advocated for the District to prioritize full day kindergarten. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Teri Mickle, New Cumberland, thanked Board members for advocating for fair funding for our schools and encouraged additional Board members to do so. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Kelly Pennypacker, Camp Hill, expressed disgust that Board members would advocate for a lawsuit and attacks on other board members because of their LGBTQ agenda. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Mariana and Casey Reed, New Cumberland, argued against a false narrative that the District is trying to bring religious curriculum to the schools and advocated for a focus on children and classical education. These comments were shared with the Board in advance of the meeting.

Joei Askey, Lewisberry, highlighted Teacher Appreciation week, support for the budget, appreciation for the information provided by the Education Law Center, and advocated for valuing all with equal personhood.

Jessy Aumiouxx, Mechanicsburg, provided an overview of morality from various religions.

Marti Bert, New Cumberland, highlighted lessons from *Everything I Learned in Kindergarten*.

Leah Cooper, Etters, thanked Board members who paid attention and for recent updates. She also shared concerns about selection/removal of books.

Julie Estep, New Cumberland, highlighted a Red Land High School fundraiser, the need to prepare students for the 21st century, and support for Dr. Stoltz's leadership.

Sandra Gonzalez, York Haven, expressed concern for the planned tax raise and use of dollars,

William Gramlich, Camp Hill, raised concerns about academics and expressed support for Board leadership.

Danielle Gross, Etters, thanked the Board for supporting the budget, thanked the staff at Fishing Creek Elementary School, and advocated for moving forward with facility enhancements.

Celeste Jack, Camp Hill, thanked Rhonda Fourhman for her service to the District and raised bullying as a reason families are moving to cyberschools.

Heather Keller, New Cumberland, highlighted a news article and thanked teachers from her years as a student in West Shore School District.

Eric Madden, Lemoyne, advocated for the District to follow process and policy.

Margeaux Sandness, New Cumberland, apologized for last week's insults, talked about the recent scam call, and shared stories of abuse.

Brenda Shick, Mechanicsburg, shared stories from her family

and advocated for a kids first approach.

William Shick, Mechanicsburg, shared concerns about bullying, advocated for "staying in the middle," and expressed concerns about transgender student participation in sports.

Samantha Winters, Lewisberry, thanked the teachers, administrators, and Board, then expressed concerns related to follow through on campaign promises. She advocated for keeping faith based judgments away from kids.

Jennifer Wright, Mechanicsburg, expressed concern that Board members don't care about public education, asked what the Board members were afraid of, and advocated for honesty and transparency.

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

Dr. Ryan E. Argot, Secretary

Adjournment