



Windber Area School District Board of Directors Regular Meeting Agenda MAY 21, 2024

Windber Area Central Administration Office

WASD BOARD ROOM - 7:00 pm

2301 Graham Avenue Windber, PA 15963

An Executive Session will be held beginning at 6:30 p.m.

1. Opening

- 1.1 Call Meeting to Order
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 1.3 Roll Call
- 1.4 Welcome to Visitors
- 1.5 Board President Message
- 1.6 Public Comment (3-minute time limit)
- 1.8 [Superintendent's Report](#) - Mr. Michael Vuckovich
- 1.9 Solicitor's Report - Ronald Repak, Esquire, Solicitor
Dillon McCandless King Coulter & Graham L.L.P.

2. Presentation(s)

- 2.1 MS/ES K'nex Teams - Mrs. Shuster & Mr. Beckley

3. Approval of the Minutes and Agenda

- 3.1 Approve the [Minutes of the April 14, 2024](#) Regular Board Meeting as submitted.

4. Board Reports

- 4.1 PA School Boards Association Legislative Council – **Mr. Mark Portante**
- 4.2 Greater Johnstown Career & Technology Center – **Mrs. Amy Rummel, Mrs. Toni Rummel, Mr. Portante, Alternate - Mr. Walker.**

5. Finance and Operations Committee

Committee Co-Chairs: Mrs. Toni Rummel & Mrs. Amy Rummel

- 5.1 Approval of the [May 2024 Financial Reports](#)
- 5.2 Approval of the request from Paint Borough for Exoneration of Taxes associated with [the property](#) at [617 Bedford Street](#) from both the County and the school district.
- 5.3 Retroactive approval of Crown Benefits Administration, Inc. to administer COBRA benefits - [Service Agreement](#).
- 5.4 Approval for the June 18, 2024 regular board meeting to be rescheduled to Wednesday, June 26th to meet the requirements of the proposed final budget to be available for public inspection for thirty days.

[BUDGET MEMO](#) - Information Only

- 5.5 That the Board approves the [PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET](#) be approved for public inspection. Final action on the PROPOSED BUDGET for the 2024-25 school year will be taken at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, June 26, 2024. As required by Special Session Act 1 of 2006, the advertisement will be placed notifying the public that the PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET is available for inspection and of the intent to adopt the FINAL BUDGET ON JUNE 26, 2024.
- 5.6 That the Board approves the following Tax Resolutions: INCREASE TO THE INDEX
 - a. [ENACTMENT OF REAL ESTATE TAXES](#)
 - b. [HOMESTEAD AND FARMSTEAD EXCLUSION RESOLUTION](#)
 - c. CONTINUATION OF [DISCOUNTS AND PENALTIES ON REAL ESTATE TAXES](#)
 - d. CONTINUATION OF [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTION OF SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES ON REAL ESTATE PROPERTIES IN INSTALLMENTS](#)
 - e. INFORMATIONAL:
 - i. [CONTINUATION OF ACT 511 TAXES](#) (Earned Income Tax, Local Services Tax and Real Estate Transfer Taxes)
- 5.7 Approval for East Hills Engineering to complete an existing conditions facility report at their current hourly rates, with a total cost not to exceed \$1,000. [Quote](#)
- 5.8 Be it RESOLVED, that the Windber Area School District of Somerset County, hereby request a Public School Facility Improvement grant of no more than 5 million dollars from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for facility improvement projects at 421 Sugar Maple Drive, Windber, PA 15963.
Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Michael Vuckovich Superintendent of Schools as the official(s) to execute all documents and agreements between the Windber Area School District and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant. [RESOLUTION](#)
- 5.9 Approval of the [Ignite Agreement](#) to provide an aide for the ESY (Extended School Year) program.
- 5.10 Motion to approve the engagement of _____ appraisal services at a cost not to exceed \$_____.

- 5.11 Approval to raise the local sub daily rate to \$125/day with \$135/day as the rate for building substitutes
- 5.12 Approval to renew the agreement with IU 08 for the Technology Law Pool at a cost of \$630 for the 2024-25 school year.
- 5.13 Request approval of the following:
- Blue Cross Qualified High Deductible Health Plan Active Member Rates for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025

<u>Single</u>	<u>P/C</u>	<u>P/CN</u>	<u>H/W</u>	<u>Family</u>
\$ 527.88	\$ 1,251.54	\$ 1,251.54	\$ 1,464.82	\$ 1,532.21
 - Blue Cross PPOBlue Plan Active Member Rates for the period beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025

<u>Single</u>	<u>P/C</u>	<u>P/CN</u>	<u>H/W</u>	<u>Family</u>
\$ 598.58	\$ 1,411.15	\$ 1,411.15	\$ 1,659.17	\$ 1,737.54
- 5.14 Motion to approve the [resolution](#) to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the modification and implementation of the Second Amended Agreement and Bylaws of the Greater Johnstown Schools Healthcare Consortium.
- 5.15 Approval of the assignment of all rights, terms and conditions in the contract with Windber Area School District from Miller Motor Company to Mlaker Student Services in compliance with [Section 24](#) of the transportation contract.
- 5.16 Appointment of Board Treasurer - That _____ be appointed Board Treasurer of the Windber Area School District for a term of one (1) year, effective July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

6. Academic/Extracurricular Committee

Committee Co-Chairs: Dr. Melissa Klingenberg & Mr. Jeff Slatcoff. Member - Mr. Ron Walker

- 6.1 Approval of the Amplify curriculum for the Middle School as a continuation of the CKLA from the Elementary Curriculum at a cost of \$46,000. This will be funded through a PaTTAN grant.
- [Overview by Mrs. Jessica Shuster](#)
- 6.2 Approval of the [PHCC Dual Enrollment Agreement for 2024-2025](#)
- 6.3 Approval of the following conferences. Associated costs will be funded through grant resources:
- SOR (Science of Reading) Virtual event
 - Science of Reading for Secondary Teachers in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
 - AASA Community of Practice Meeting in Chicago, Illinois
- 6.4 Approval of the World of Learning Contract [Agreement](#)
- 6.5 Approval to Accept Donations:
- Accept a donation of \$2,000 from the Slovak Educational Club for the district's summer youth football camp in July.

- b. Accept a donation of \$900 from the Abruzzi Club for Junior High Football for 7 v 7 uniforms.
- 6.6 Approval of the [Game Help Wages 2024-25 & 2025-26](#)
- 6.7 Approval of the Officials Game Wages: [Officials Wages 2024-25 & 2025-26](#) based on the PIAA cycle.
- 6.8 Approval of Jeff Jablon as the Varsity Girls Basketball Assistant Coach for the 2024-25 school year.
- 6.9 Approval of Jeff Slatcoff and A.J. Bender as the Co-Varsity Boys Basketball Assistant Coaches for the 2024-25 school year. The stipend will be split between the two individuals.
- 6.10 Approval to purchase the below items with the use of a stipend amount that was available due to Coach Walker volunteering as the Varsity Softball Head Coach. (\$3,300)
 - a. Hack Attack Softball Pitching Machine \$3,300
- 6.11 Approval of the following events for the 2024-25 school year, sponsored by WAABA:
 - a. [WAABA 24-25 Events](#)
- 6.12 Approval of the following Athletic Volunteers pending successful completion of all necessary clearances:
 - a. JH Football
 - i. Rob Kolson
 - ii. Jim O'Hara
 - b. Varsity Girls Soccer
 - i. Teddy Cecotti
 - ii. Cheryl Steinbeck
 - iii. Kevin Ott
 - iv. Kacey Costlow
 - v. Ashley Krug
 - c. JH Soccer
 - i. Roger Conley
 - d. Varsity Volleyball
 - i. Chad Manippo
 - ii. Garrett Wright
 - e. JH Volleyball
 - i. Meghan Slatcoff*
 - f. Varsity Cheer
 - i. Amy Rummel
 - ii. Eryn Marsh
 - g. Boys Varsity Basketball
 - i. Albert Torquato
 - h. Boys Jr. High Basketball
 - i. Glenn Gaye
 - i. Varsity Girls Basketball
 - i. Jeb Hechler
 - ii. Gail Durst (Statistician)
 - iii. Jackie Toki
 - j. Girls JH Basketball
 - i. Gina Gaye
 - ii. Harmony Jablon
 - iii. Glenn Gaye

*Request for payment as scorekeeper, if approved as presented.

- 6.13 Approval for the Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach's Salary to be raised to \$2500 to be equitable to other assistant varsity coaches' stipends. The stipend will be split between Sierra

Gathagan and Katrina Hissong, who were previously approved.

- 6.14 Approval of the [HUDL Agreement](#)
- 6.15 Approval of Katie Walker as the Dance Team Assistant Coach for the 2024-25 School Year with a \$200 stipend.
- 6.16 Approval of the request for the Jr. High Boys Basketball to initiate a student activity club under the direction of the Junior High Boys Basketball Coach.
- 6.17 Approval of the request for the Varsity Softball to initiate a student activity club under the direction of the Varsity Softball coach.
- 6.18 Approval of the Jr. High Boys Basketball Summer League
 - a. May 22- June 28, 2024

7. Policy and Personnel Committee

Committee Co-Chairs: Mr. Roger Birkhimer & Mr. Mark Sotosky

- 7.1 Approval of the following District Policies
 - a. 1st Reading
 - i. [#815.1 Electronic Searches](#)
 - ii. [#202 Eligibility of Nonresident Students](#)
 - b. 2nd Reading
 - i. [#222 Tobacco and Vaping Products \(Students\)](#)
 - ii. [#323 Tobacco and Vaping Products \(Employees\)](#)
- 7.2 Retroactive approval of Gina Gaye and Laiken Swinger to volunteer to attend the IU8 Math 24 Competition on May 17.
- 7.3 Accept the resignation of Ms. Linda Geiser and authorize the board president to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the same.
- 7.4 Accept the resignation of Elementary Teacher Aide, Heather Schropp.
- 7.5 Accept the resignation of Elementary Office Aide, Amanda Richards
- 7.6 Accept the retirement letter from Mr. Robert Whistler, Internal Facilities Director Retirement, and the position to be eliminated.
- 7.7 Motion to approve the Facilities Director [job description](#).
- 7.8 Approval to create a Facilities Director position and to allow the administration to post, advertise, and interview for the vacancy.
- 7.9 Approval to post, advertise, and interview for a full-time Athletic Director.
- 7.10 Retroactive approval of 1.5 days without pay for a professional staff member for a previously scheduled vacation. This individual had planned to use accumulated personal days for this scheduled vacation but had to use personal days for medical reasons.
- 7.11 Approval of days without pay for medical reasons for Support Personnel #1228.

- 7.12 Approval of the following individuals as Summer School Teachers at a rate of \$25/hour.
- Susan Boyle
 - Barb DiLoreto
 - Kaylyn Lampel
 - Kaitlyn Walker
 - Kristen Butler
 - Melissa Mackel
 - Amanda Manippo
 - Lacey Greathouse
 - Scott McClain
 - Clarissa Thomas
 - Garrett Wright
- 7.13 Approval of the following Summer School Teachers' Aides to be paid through [Ignite](#):
- Sandee Bloom
 - Gianna Manippo
- 7.14 Ignite Substitute Teachers
- Sommer Bloom - Senate Bill 1312
 - Kaylin Folmar - Emergency Cert
 - Hannah Hughes - Senate Bill 1312
 - Emily Karl - Senate Bill 1312
 - Janet Jeschonek - Emergency Cert
 - Hayleigh Beauseigneur - as a Summer School Teacher
- 7.15 Approve the following Student Summer Workers/Interns pending successful completion of all necessary clearances at the rate of \$11/hour. The work schedule will be (Tentative Start Date June 3rd and end August 21)
- Tyler Karlinsey - Maintenance
 - Kaylie Gaye - Maintenance
 - Alayna Shuster - Maintenance
 - Hailey Zellam - Summer Clerical Office Assistant
- 7.16 Approval of the following individuals to be hired as Elementary Teacher Aides at a rate of \$12/hour, pending successful completion of all necessary clearances. (The hourly rate could be higher based on the approval of the new Support Staff/Teacher Aide Agreements which would go into effect on July 1, 2024.)
- _____
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 - _____
- 7.17 Based on the recommendation of the administration, _____ be employed as the Attendance/Student Interventionist at an annual salary of \$45,200. (To be determined: Contracted position or Act 93)
- 7.18 Based on the recommendation of the administration, _____ be employed as a Performing Arts/Music Teacher for the 2024-25 school year in accordance with their certification and at an annual salary of \$45,200 - Step 1, Instructional I pending receipt of updated clearances and clear Act 168 forms.
- 7.19 Based on the recommendation of the administration, _____ be employed as an Elementary Teacher for the 2024-25 school year in accordance with their certification and at

an annual salary of \$45,200 - Step 1, Instructional I pending receipt of updated clearances and clear Act 168 forms.

8. Closing/Adjournment

8.1. Discussion Items

8.2. Notice of Executive Sessions

- a. An executive session was held on Tuesday, April 30, 2024 to discuss legal business. This meeting was called to order at _____ p.m. and adjourned at _____ p.m.
- b. An executive session was held prior to the start of the Committee of the Whole Work session on Tuesday, May 14th to discuss legal business and personnel. This meeting was called to order at 6:03 and adjourned at 8:02 p.m.
- c. An executive session was held prior to this meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. and adjourned at _____ p.m. to discuss _____.

8.3. Next Committee of the Whole Meeting	June 11, 2024	6:00 p.m
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8.4. Next Regular Board Meeting	* June 26, 2024 (Wednesday)	7:00 p.m.
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8.5. Adjournment