

February 13, 2023

A worksession meeting of the Washington School Board was held on Monday, February 13, 2023 in the high school cafeteria.

The meeting was called to order by President Sparks-Gatling at 6:00 pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance and the district's mission and audio/video recording statements.

Roll Call:

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| Members Present: | Mrs. Rhonda Barnes | Mrs. Amy Roberts |
| | Mr. John Campbell, Sr. | Dr. Dana Shiller |
| | Mrs. Jennifer Ewing | Mrs. Tara Sparks-Gatling |
| | Mrs. Kimberly Kelley | Ms. Jenna Ward |
| | Mrs. Marsha Pleta | |

Non-Voting Member Present: Mr. George Lammay, Superintendent

Present: Mr. Richard Mancini, Director of District Operations
Mrs. Rebecca Heaton-Hall, Solicitor
Mr. Robert Mihelcic, Curriculum and Instruction Director

President Welcomes Visitors: Mrs. Sparks-Gatling extended a welcome to the public and stated the following, "In accordance with Washington School District Policy No. 005 entitled "Public Participation at Meetings", this public participation session shall not exceed 20 minutes. Any individual resident may make comments not to exceed three minutes. Any resident who wishes to address the Board should have submitted to the President of the Board or to the Board's Secretary a written statement including their name and address, the name of the group the speaker is representing, if any, and the general nature of the topic and comments to be made. Any resident who has not submitted a written request shall have the right to speak, time permitting by raising his or her hand so that they may be recognized. No one having any desire to speak, the meeting continued.

Questions on the Agenda: The Board reviewed the agenda.

Agenda: Mr. Campbell moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that the agenda be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel: Ms. Ward moved and Mrs. Barnes seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Rescind the resignation of **Unique Levy** as a part-time paraprofessional at the elementary school. (*Ms. Levy's resignation was approved at the January 17, 2023 Board meeting. Ms. Levy requested to withdraw her resignation and remain working in the district on January 20, 2023.*)

Motion carried. Mrs. Kelley abstained from the vote; all other members voted "yes".

Mr. Campbell moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Retirement of **John Kelley**, full-time maintenance worker, after 18½ years of service in district. Mr. Kelley's last day of work will be April 7, 2023.

-Resignation of **Samantha Redlinger**, full-time paraprofessional at the high school, after 4½ years of service in the district. Ms. Redlinger's last day of work was February 8, 2023.

- Resignation of **Stacy Waters**, part-time paraprofessional at the elementary school, after 1 year of service in the district. Mrs. Waters' last day of work will be February 17, 2023.
- Change in assignment for **Tina Nixon** from a part-time foodservice worker to a part-time custodian at the elementary school, 185 days a year, 5 hours a day, contractual rate, retroactive to January 23, 2023.
- Recommend **Teresa Perri** as a part-time cafeteria worker at the elementary school, 177 to 181 days a year, 5½ hours a day, contractual rate, effective March 6, 2023.
- Intermittent Family Medical Leave for **Employee #1316**, retroactive to January 13, 2023. (*Per the Family and Medical Leave Act and District Policy No. 410, eligible employees are entitled to take up to 60 unpaid days during a 12-month period for the specific type of FMLA leave requested by this employee.*)
- Permit payment for 17½ hours worked as a probationary paraprofessional for **Employee #1721**.
- Addition of **Taylor Keene** to the list of IU1 Emergency Substitute Teachers.
- Conference request, in accordance with the policy of the District as follows:

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| a. George Lammay | -PASA Leadership Forum March 30-31, 2023 – Harrisburg, PA Estimated cost – \$727.55 |
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Motion carried unanimously.

Students: Mrs. Barnes moved and Mrs. Kelley seconded that the Board approve the following:

- Readmission of student #2021-22-01 into Washington School District, retroactive to January 20, 2023. (*This student was expelled in January 2022 and has requested readmission into Washington School District. This student has complied with all requirements.*)
- Readmission of student #2021-22-03 into Washington School District, retroactive to January 20, 2023. (*This student was expelled in January 2022 and has requested readmission into Washington School District. This student has complied with all requirements.*)

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics: Mrs. Pleta moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that the Board approve the following:

- Motion to release **Jordan Gorby** as the Girls' Softball Head Coach for the 2023 season. (*Mrs. Gorby was recommended as the head coach at the July 19, 2022 Board meeting.*)

Motion carried unanimously.

Board Policy: Ms. Ward moved and Mrs. Ewing seconded that the Board approve the following:

- First reading, pursuant to Washington School District Policy No. 001, of the following policies:
 - Policy #516A – Discipline of Student Convicted/Adjudicated of Sexual Assault
 - Policy #571 – Confidential Communications of Students
 - Policy #572 – Student Government
 - Policy #573 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students

Policy #574 – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care

Motion carried unanimously.

Business and Finance: Mrs. Barnes moved and Mrs. Kelley seconded that the Board approved the following:

- Change order request from Liokareas Construction Company to renovate classrooms and convert them into new offices at the elementary school, at a cost of \$20,721.36. *Exhibit A*
- Addition of Elizabeth Belfiore as a bus/van driver for GG&C Bus Company, retroactive to February 7, 2023.

Motion carried unanimously.

Committee of the Whole Discussion: Board members and administrators discussed the following items that will be voted on at the February 21, 2023 meeting:

Athletics

1. Recommend **Mike Bosnic** as the Strength and Conditioning Director, stipend of \$6,146
2. Recommend **Rich Barnes** as a Strength and Conditioning Supervisor, stipend of \$3,678
3. Recommend **Lance Vallee** as a Strength and Conditioning Supervisor, stipend of \$3,678.
4. Recommend **Rich Barnes** as a Track Varsity Assistant Coach, Step 13+, Stipend \$5,921
5. Recommend **Dion Wiegand** as a Track Varsity Assistant Coach, Step 7-9, Stipend \$5,143
6. Recommend **Derek Hull** as a Jr. High Track Assistant Coach, Step 1-3, Stipend \$4,366
7. Recommend **Zach Barnes** as a Jr. High Track Assistant Coach, Step 1-3, Stipend \$4,366
8. Recommend **Susie Kohler** as a Jr. High Track Assistant Coach, Step 13+, Stipend \$5,921
9. Recommend **Michael Digon** as a Baseball Assistant Coach, Step 1-3, Stipend \$5004
10. Recommend **Ron Todd** as a Baseball Volunteer Coach
11. Recommend **George Walz** as a Baseball Volunteer Coach
12. Recommend **Tyrone Wormsley** as the Softball Head Coach, Step 1-3, Stipend \$5,206
13. Recommend **Taylen Gorby** as a Softball Assistant Coach, Step 1-3, Stipend \$4,366
14. Recommend **Kierston Wormsley** as a Softball Volunteer Coach
15. Recommend **Josh Wise** as the Girls' Middle School Basketball Head Coach, Step 1-3, Stipend \$4,882.

Board Policy

1. Second reading and adoption of the policies that were approved at tonight's meeting.

Contracts, Agreements and Grants

1. Lease agreement with Range Resources with terms and conditions approved by the solicitor and authorize signature.

Business and Finance

1. Washington County Tax Collection Committee – Resolution for Authorization of a Proxy
2. Purchase two (2) Ford Transit 10-passenger school vans through the State Co-Star's Program, Contract #26-E22-158, at a cost of \$67,250 each. *To be paid with Capital Reserve Funds.*
3. Purchase windows for the District Administration Building from AB Specialties through the State Co-Star's Program, Contract #008-E22-951, at a cost of \$119,900. *To be paid with Capital Reserve Funds.*

4. Purchase Vollara air purification equipment for elementary and high school classrooms from AL Solutions LLC, at an approximate cost of \$384,400. *To be paid with ESSER II funds.*
5. The 2023-2024 Intermediate Unit 1 Budget as presented. *(The budget calls for total projected expenditures of \$2,553,939, which is an increase of \$316,965 from last year's budget. Contributions to the General Operational Budget are pro-rated to 25 participating school districts by a legislatively designed formula that takes into consideration the market value, aid ratio, and the enrollment of the district. Washington School District's share of the General Operational Budget is \$12,963.55 which is a decrease of \$286.10 from last year.*
6. Budget transfers to close out the 2021-2022 school year.

School Calendar

1. Approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar

New Business

-Board members agreed to sponsor awards again this year for Awards Day. A \$25 award will be given to one student in 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade (Total amount is \$100) Each Board member will contribute \$11 to cover the cost of the awards.

Superintendent's Report

-Mr. Lammay had no report.

Solicitor's Report

-Attorney Heaton-Hall had no report.

Information

A. **Regular Voting Meeting** – Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the high school cafeteria
There is no school on Monday, February 20th to recognize “Presidents’ Day”

B. **Ethics Forms** – Please remember to turn in your Ethics forms as soon as possible

C. **Intermediate Unit 1's Convention and Student Showcase**

–Tuesday, March 28th at Hilton Garden Inn

In-Person Voting will take place from 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm

Student Showcase will be held from 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm

Dinner will begin at 6:00 pm

If you wish to attend, you must RSVP to Lisa no later than Friday, February 24th

Special Presentation – HHSDR Architectural gave a presentation on the exterior envelope improvements project at the high school.

Adjournment: Moved by Mrs. Pleta and seconded by Dr. Shiller that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried unanimously. 6:41 pm.

/s/Lisa Coffield
Lisa Coffield, Board Secretary