

November 21, 2022

A voting meeting of the Washington School Board was held on Monday, November 21, 2022 in the high school cafeteria.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Sparks-Gatling, followed by the pledge of allegiance, mission statement and audio/vision statement.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Mrs. Marsha Pleta

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

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

Questions on the Agenda: The Board reviewed the agenda and discussion was had on the athletic director item. The following action was taken:

-Dr. Shiller moved and Mrs. Barnes seconded that the action item to appoint Mike Bosnic as Athletic Director, Step 7-9, \$9,559, be tabled.

Motion carried unanimously.

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.

Recognitions

Retirements

C. Shawn Arent	30 Years	1992 to 2022
Nina Hargrove	13 Years	2009 to 2022

WACTC October Student of the Month

Congratulations to Jason Lucero, a Wash High Senior who is enrolled in the Masonry Program at Western Area Career & Technology Center, for being selected as their “Student of the Month” in October.

Citizens Library Presentation

Diane Ambrose, Director, and Kathy Pienkowski, Operations Manager, gave a presentation on programs the Library has been offering over the past year and the success of their Summer Reading Program.

Questions on the Agenda: The Board reviewed the agenda.

Agenda: Mr. Campbell moved and Ms. Ward seconded that the agenda be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes: Mrs. Roberts moved and Mr. Campbell seconded that the minutes of the October 17, 2022 regular voting meeting, and the November 14, 2022 worksession meeting be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Barnes moved and Ms. Ward seconded that the October 31, 2022 Treasurer's Report be accepted as information, said report showing the following book balances:

	<u>October 31, 2022</u>
General Fund	\$ 448,682.16
Payroll Account	\$ 16,183.27
Cafeteria Account	\$ 62,040.51
WHS Athletic Account	\$ 19,868.90
WHS Activities Account	\$ 84,855.87
WPS Activities Account	\$ 29,559.11
WSD PSDLAF-Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 2,341,944.71
WSD-PSDLAF-Expendable Benefit Trust	\$ 114,643.07

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Addition of **Tiffany Lucero** to the list of substitute cafeteria workers.

-Addition of **Elijah Frazier** to the list of IU1 emergency substitute teachers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics: Ms. Ward moved and Mr. Campbell seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Appointment of **Marc Spina** as Boys Basketball Assistant Coach, Step 13+, \$6,439.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Appointment of **Anthony Belcastro** as Junior High Boys' Basketball Head Coach, Step 10-12, \$6,439.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Appointment of **Jordan Swart** as Junior High Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach, Step 1-3, \$4,366.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Appointment of **Zack Barnes** as Varsity Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach, Step 1-3, \$4,882.

Motion carried, members voting as follows:

Mrs. Barnes	-abstain	Mrs. Roberts	-yes
Mr. Campbell	-yes	Dr. Shiller	-yes
Mrs. Ewing	-yes	Mrs. Sparks-Gatling	-yes
Mrs. Kelley	-yes	Ms. Ward	-yes

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

-Appointment of **Kyle Cline** as Varsity Assistant Wrestling Coach, Step 1-3, \$4882.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Appointment of **Shawn Hughes** as Junior High Wrestling Head Coach, formula, \$2,750 max.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Appointment of **Brittany Ellis** as MS Volleyball Coach, formula, \$2,750 max.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ewing moved and Dr. Shiller seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Appointment of **Jessica Branagan** as MS Volleyball Coach, formula, \$2,750 max.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Appointment of **Olyvia Adkins** as Cheerleading Sponsor, \$3,100.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Appointment of **Omyrah Davis** as Junior High Coach, \$1,318.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-Appointment of the following Volunteer Coaches:

Tim Witenske as Volunteer Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach
Oshai Wright as a Volunteer Basketball Coach
Latora Carter as Volunteer Cheerleading Coach
Charles Eisiminger as Volunteer Assistant Rifle Coach
Josh Barrette as Volunteer Wrestling Coach
Wray Adams as Volunteer Assistant Wrestling Coach

Motion carried unanimously.

Board Policy: Ms. Ward moved and Dr. Shiller seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Second reading and adoption, pursuant to Washington School District Policy No. 001, of the following policies:

Policy #715 – Procurement Plan

Policy #715-A – Procurement Code of Conduct

Motion carried unanimously.

Contracts, Agreements and Grants: Mrs. Barnes moved and Ms. Ward seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Intermediate Unit 1 Agreements to provide Title I services to students of Washington School District who are attending non-public schools during the 2022-2023 school year. Also, Title II and Title IV services for John F. Kennedy Elementary School.

-Contract with System 1-2-3 to provide social and emotional supports for staff and students, at a cost of \$19,650. *Funded with ESSER II grant money.*

Motion carried unanimously.

Business and Finance: Mrs. Barnes moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Declare a 2002 truck that failed inspection as surplus property and advertise it for sale.

-Purchase a 2023 Ford Superduty Truck through the Co-Stars Program (#025-E22-401), at a cost of \$49,125.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

-In keeping with the discussion at the Board Education Committee meeting on October 20, 2022, the administration recommends changes in the Washington School District graduation requirements, as submitted. *Exhibit A*

Motion carried unanimously.

Ratification and Payment of Bills: Mrs. Barnes moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that the Board approve the following:

-Ratification and payment of bills in the amount of \$935,658.60.

Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

-EPA Clean School Bus Program and Grant – Mr. Mancini informed the Board that the District is going to receive a grant in the amount of \$3,160,000 for this program. Three million dollars will be used to purchase eight new school buses and \$160,000 will go to the bus provider to make the changes necessary to support the electric buses.

-Substitutes for Nurses and Resource Officers – Mrs. Sparks-Gatling asked if there were any procedures in place for getting substitute nurses and resource officers for when our staff calls off. Mr. Mancini and Mr. Lammay stated that the District has contracts with outside agencies for nurse substitutes and employees from the local Sheriff's Department fill in when our police officers are off.

Solicitor's Report: Attorney Heaton-Hall had no report.

Special Representative Reports

-Western Area Career & Technology Center – Mrs. Sparks-Gatling stated that they had a meeting last week and our school district will need to appoint our representative for their Board at the Reorganization Meeting in December. She is willing to continue to be the representative if no other Board members are interested in the position. Wash High 9th grade students recently took a tour of WACTC facilities to see if they would be interested in enrolling in any of their programs. They are looking for an instructor for their Safety Program, which focuses on EMS, police and fire services. Students who successfully pass the Safety Program receive EMT certification.

-PSBA – Mrs. Pleta was absent from the meeting.

-Parking Authority – Mr. Mancini stated nothing eventful happened at the meeting.

-Citywide Development Corporation (CDC) – Mr. Mancini stated that they did not have a meeting in November.

-Updates from Activities, Education and Policy Committee Representatives –

Activities Committee (Mrs. Pleta) – Mrs. Pleta was absent. Mr. Mancini stated that they are still working on getting the field in East Washington ready for softball and baseball. They should have more information in December. They have gotten the trails and bridge behind the elementary school cleaned and the cross country coaches need to visit the trails and see if they will be able to use them for events.

Education Committee (Dr. Shiller) – Their last meeting was in October and they discussed the updated graduation requirements that were approved earlier in this meeting.

Policy Committee (Ms. Ward) – They haven't had any meetings recently, but they will need to set-up a meeting for a policy that needs updated.

Information**A. December Board Meetings**

Reorganization Meeting – Monday, December 5th at 6:30 pm in the high school cafeteria
Worksession Meeting – Immediately following the Reorganization Meeting – There is no Voting Meeting in December.

B. Holiday Dinner for Board Members and Administrators – Monday, December 5th at 5:00 pm in the high school cafeteria. Please RSVP to Lisa by Tuesday, November 29th**C. 2022 Winter Holiday Concerts**

4th Grade Chorus, 5th & 6th Grade Chorus and 6th Grade Band
December 15th at 6:00 pm at the elementary school

**Junior High School Chorus & Band, Senior High Symphonic Band & Choralaires
Senior High Jazz Band and Senior High Steele Drum Band**
December 20th at 7:00 pm at the high school

D. Breakfast with Santa – Saturday, December 3, 2022

Breakfast: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Vendor & Craft Fair: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Adjournment: Moved by Mr. Campbell and seconded by Ms. Ward that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried unanimously. 7:25 pm

/s/ Lisa Coffield
Lisa Coffield, Board Secretary