

**WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

**Worksession Meeting – Tuesday, April 11, 2023
High School Cafeteria**

6:30 pm

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order by Board President**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance – Mission Statement – Audio/Video Recording Statement**

Mission Statement

Washington School District is committed to educating ALL students under the guidance of our dedicated staff members. We provide our learners with lifelong tools to navigate a course toward growth and advancement while collectively supporting and celebrating student, staff and community achievement.

Audio/Video Recording Statement

Portions of tonight’s public Board meeting will be audio and/or video recorded in accordance with Policy No. 006.

- IV. Additions or Changes to the Agenda** (includes announcement of any executive sessions of the Board or of any Committee and the purpose(s) thereof held since the last public meeting)
- V. Opportunity for Public Participation in Accordance with Policy No. 005**
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. The resident should state their name, address and topic. The policy and complete procedures for its implementation are posted and copies are also available to the public.

VI. Recognitions

Students of the Month

Grade 2 – Alana Coleman
Grade 6 – Lynleigh King
Grade 8 – Eliza Boyd
Grade 12 – Lillian Boardley
Grade 12 – Joel Rush

American Legion Post 175 Award Winners (*verbal recognition*)

Heidi Walsh	Mateopareze McCoy
Jordyn Carter-Green	Ayvari Chandler
Alyvia Price	Nathan Dougherty

- VII. Special Presentation**
-The Nutrition Group Presentation
- VIII. Board Member Questions on the Agenda**

IX. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented, any additions or deletions to be made at this time.

Motion _____ Second _____

X. Recommendations of the Administration**A. Personnel**

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

1. Retirement of **Brandy Devenney**, 10-month secretary at the high school, after 6½ years of service in the district. Mrs. Devenney's last day of work was April 5, 2023.
2. Addition of **Mackenzie Griffin** to the list of substitute paraprofessionals, retroactive to March 21, 2023 through April 11, 2023.
3. Recommend **Mackenzie Griffin** as a part-time paraprofessional at the elementary school, 186 days a year, 5 hours a day, contractual rate, effective April 12, 2023. (*Filling position left vacant from a resignation.*)
4. Recommend **Robin Kaskie** as a substitute nurse at the jr/sr high school, retroactive to March 30, 2023 to the end of the 2022-2023 school year, 7.5 hours a day, \$32.00 per hour. (*Filling in for jr/sr high school nurse that is on medical leave.*)
5. Intermittent Family Medical Leave for **Employee #1628**, retroactive to April 3, 2023 through March 30, 2024. (*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.*)
6. Family Medical Leave for **Employee #1382**, retroactive to April 3, 2023 through the end of the 2022-2023 school year. (*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.*)
7. Extend **Emma Gallocher's** Temporary Assignment as a long-term substitute, retroactive to April 11, 2023 through the end of the school year. (*Ms. Gallocher was a long-term substitute from January 3, 2023 through April 5, 2023 for Employee #1372. This action is extending her temporary long-term assignment to fill in for Employee #1382 until the end of the year.*)
8. Summer Learning Academy for Grades K through 6:
Program will begin June 5, 2023 through June 29, 2023
Monday through Thursday
8:00 am to 12:00 pm
Jr/Sr High School
\$28 per hour
Teachers Needed: 1 per grade level
Special Ed Teachers Needed: 1
9. Extended School Year Program (ESY) Grades K through 12:
Program will begin July 10, 2023 to August 4, 2023

Monday through Thursday

8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Elementary School (*If elementary school is not accessible, program will move to high school*)

\$28 per hour

Teachers Needed: 7 (*More teachers may be needed if student enrollment increases*)

10. Conference request, in accordance with the policy of the District as follows:

- a. Marsha Mosca - HIVE Conference 2023 (*Math Curriculum*)
 July 9-13, 2023 – Atlanta, GA
 Estimated cost – \$2,408 (*Paid with Federal Funds*)

Motion_____ Second_____

11. Motion to approve Resolution 2022-2023-01, regarding a Statement of Charges regarding Employee #1562 and place the Employee on unpaid leave as of April 12, 2023. (*Uploaded on OneDrive*)

Motion_____ Second_____

B. Board Policy

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

1. First reading, pursuant to Washington School District Policy No. 001, of the following policies: (*Uploaded on OneDrive*)

- Policy #004 – Meetings
- Policy #532 – Assessment System
- Policy #575 – Diabetes Management
- Policy #576 – Food Allergy Management
- Policy #816 – Electronic Data Storage

Motion_____ Second_____

C. Contracts, Agreements and Grants

The superintendent recommends approval of the following:

1. Contract with Jennifer Kennedy for speech language pathology services, retroactive to March 27, 2023 through the end of the 2022-2023 school year. (*Uploaded on OneDrive*)

Motion_____ Second_____

XI. Committee of the Whole Discussion

–Board members and administrators will discuss the items below that will be voted on at the April 17, 2023 Board meeting. Discussion on these items is to take place at this meeting, while all administrators are in attendance. Are there any questions?

Board Policy

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

Contracts, Agreements and Grants

1. Renewal of The Nutrition Group Agreement for the 2023-2024 school year. *(On April 19, 2022, the Board entered into a five-year option agreement with The Nutrition Group to manage the food service operations of Washington School District. The district and The Nutrition Group are now entering the second year of the five year option agreement.) (Uploaded on OneDrive)*

Business and Finance

1. Award bids for Fall sports for the 2023-2024 school year.
2. Western Area Career & Technology Center's 2023-2024 proposed budget totaling \$5,906,473, which represents an increase over last year's budget in the amount of \$83,600. Washington School District's contribution will increase from \$243,906.09 to \$297,452.11, which represents an increase of \$53,546.02. This figure is based on an estimated Average Daily Membership of 42.06, an increase of 12 students from last year.
3. Authorize the participation in and appointment of representatives to the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Program for school materials and supplies. *(Uploaded to OneDrive)*
4. Award the bid for replacement of playground equipment at the elementary school to PlayGO Co., at the cost of \$120,218.00. *(Paid with ESSER II grant money and donations.) (Uploaded to OneDrive)*
5. Award the bid for replacement flooring in five classrooms at the elementary school to Faris Carpet, Inc., at the cost of \$17,950.00 *(Partial payment from insurance for the water damage during Winter break.) (Uploaded to OneDrive)*
6. Award the bid for replacement flooring at the high school. *(Bids are due April 11th)*

Preliminary Budget for the 2023-2024 School Year

1. Adopt the Preliminary Budget for the 2023-2024 school year in the amount of \$30,836,632 dollars and set the millage rate at 15.1578. No tax increase from last year's budget. The Board directs and authorizes the Administration to timely submit the Preliminary Budget to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for review in accordance with Act 1. *(Uploaded to OneDrive)*

XII. Unfinished Business**XIII. New Business****XIV. Superintendent's Report****XV. Solicitor's Report****XVI. Information**

- A. **Regular Voting Meeting** – Monday, April 17, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the high school cafeteria

XVII. Adjournment**XIX. Executive Session**