YOUUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 7, 2018

The Workshop Meeting of the Yough Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 P.M., on Wednesday, February 7, 2018, in the Yough Senior High Large Group Instruction Room by President, Ken Bach, with the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Allen, Bach, Boucher, Filapose, Harvey, Kenderes, Leghart, Ozegovich, and Spudy. Also present were Superintendent, Dr. Janet Sardon; Business Manager, Michael Wrobleski; Director of Technology, Andrew Sanders; Solicitor, Gary Matta (via phone due to illness); and visitors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:

Rachel Bachy
Jesse Hazlett
Becca Ghion

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: (Regular Meeting)

I. Congratulations!

A. Congratulations to the following students for being selected January Cougars of the Month:

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   Grade 7 – Brianna Sciore and Madison Hodge
   Grade 8 – Jakob Krumenaker and Haley Lauffer

B. Congratulations to the following students who participated in the PMEA High School District Band Competition on January 10-12th, 2018:

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   Anthony Ohler
   Rebecca Angus

D. Congratulations to Julia Aughenbaugh for receiving a Donor’s Choose grant in the amount of $1,500.00. This grant will cover the cost of the River City Brass Band coming to perform at the Middle School on March 22, 2018.

E. Congratulations to the Yough Intermediate Middle School’s CyberPatriot teams. Team 1 took 3rd Place in the State Victory and has advanced to the Semi-Final competition which will be on Friday, February 9, 2018. Team 2 took 6th place out of 9 middle school division teams this year in Pennsylvania.

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   Aubrie Mance       Hannah Bach
   Grace Seanor       Scott Houseman
   Troy Stahl         Emily Franzetta

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II. INFORMATION:

A. The 13th Annual Intermediate/Middle School Science Fair will be on Thursday, February 22, 2018 from 6:00-8:00 pm.

III. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Audit Presentation
   Presentation by Jared Ewing- Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC.

B. WIU Director Jason Conway Presentation (Regular Meeting)

BUDGET & FINANCE:

1. (18-2-BP-1) Approve the Board Minutes. (Section 3, Attachment #1)

   (Section 3, Attachment #2)
3. (18-2-F-2) Approve the general fund bills for payment in the amount of $868,428.47 cafeteria bills in the amount of $108,740.55 construction fund bills for payment in the amount of $186,970.00 and payroll in the amount of $1,076,059.03, for a total disbursement of $2,240,198.05. (Section 3, Attachment #3)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Executive Sessions were held on the following dates:

Wednesday, February 7, 2018, before the meeting – Personnel & Litigation

1. (18-2-BP-2) Motion to approve the update to Policy 916 School Volunteers as amended, at the second reading. (Section 4, Attachment #1)

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES:

1. (18-2-PE-1) Approve the retirement of the following personnel:
   
   Brett Neil  End of School Year

2. (18-2-PE-2) Approve Kristen Yanuck to be added to the list of substitute teachers.

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES:

None as of the work session, with the exception of the February 7, 2018 voting item.

ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY:

1. (18-2-ACT-1) Approve the hiring of Sharon Roose as the Middle School Assistant Softball Coach.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS:

1. (18-2-O-1) Motion to approve the Resolution Opposing ESA Voucher Programs (Senate Bill 2) (Section 8, Attachment #1)

2. (18-2-O-2) Approve contract for Internet service with The Westmoreland Intermediate Unit for a period of 3 years commencing July 1st 2018 with an end date of June 30th 2021 at a monthly rate of $1,700.00 prior to E-Rate discount, which includes a speed of 1 Gbps. (Section 8, Attachment #2)

3. (18-2-O-3) Terminate Linda Knor as alternate delegate for the Westmoreland County Tax Committee and appoint Jennifer Etze as alternate delegate for the Westmoreland County Tax Committee.
VOTING ITEM

Mike commented- This was made a voting item tonight due to the need for staff because of medical leaves. They want to get staff on as soon as possible.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Ozegovich to approve the item listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Spudy, yes. Motion carried.

1. (18-2-CE-1) Approve Melinda Omasta as a custodial substitute pending clearances.

BOARD REPORTS:

WIU#7 and WIU#7 Legislative Council – Linda Leghart

Everyone should have received a copy of the January Meeting. A group from the WIU will be at the next meeting to give a presentation.

CWCTC Joint Operating Committee – Karl Spudy

Tomorrow night, Thursday, February 8, 2018 is Open House for prospect new students. The Cart Café- breakfast will be served from 8:30-11:00 AM. The State Competition will be held on April 18-20th, there are 7 Yough students attending.

PSBA Representative – Chris Boucher

A thank you to Dr. Sardon for sending out the budget update from Governor Wolfe. Ken Bach stated that the presidents training was very good. Finding common ground with other districts was talked about, in learning how they handle situations that we may not have encountered yet. New school board member orientation was very helpful. Jared commented it was a good training with good communication.

YEA REPORT: - Union Representation
None.

OLD BUSINESS:
None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Leghart, seconded by Spudy, to authorize Yough School District administration to meet with appropriate officials to discuss applying for grant funding for H.W. Good Elementary School speed flashing signs.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:
None.
CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:
None.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND MEETING DATES:

1. Wednesday, February 14, 2018 – Regular Meeting, 7:30 P.M.; Large Group Instruction Room, Yough Senior High School. Executive Session at 6:30 P.M., Board/Conference Room

2. Wednesday, February 21, 2018 – CWCTC Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Allen, seconded by Boucher to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Spudy, yes. Motion carried.

President [Signature] Secretary [Signature]
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PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

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Mollie also sang the national anthem at The Prayer Breakfast for Westmoreland County.

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J. Congratulations to this year’s Intermediate/ Middle School Spelling Bee winners:

   1st Place: Aiden McFeely
   2nd Place: Xavier Rush
   3rd Place: Christian Park
   4th Place: Nick Gunther
   5th Place: Nora Knopp
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III. PRESENTATIONS:

A. WIU Director Jason Conway Presentation

The Clairview School Presentation- a video presentation showing where we are presently and where we would like to go.

BUDGET & FINANCE:

Motion by Harvey, seconded by Leghart to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Spudy, yes. Motion carried.

Simplex: re-wiring and repairing of the fire alarm system at the High School. There is no need to get a quote because it is under amount.

1. (18-2-BP-1) Approve the Board Minutes. (Section 3, Attachment #1)

2. (18-2-F-1) Approve the Treasurer's Report for January, 2018. (Section 3, Attachment #2)

3. (18-2-F-2) Approve the general fund bills for payment in the amount of $868,428.47 cafeteria bills in the amount of $108,740.55 construction fund bills for payment in the amount of $186,970.00 and payroll in the amount of $1,076,059.03, for a total disbursement of $2,240,198.05. (Section 3, Attachment #3)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Motion by Boucher, seconded by Allen to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Spudy, yes. Motion carried.

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1. (18-2-BP-2) Motion to approve the update to Policy 916 School Volunteers, as amended, at the second reading. (Section 4, Attachment # 1)
2. (18-2-BP-3) Motion to approve the update to Policy 626 Federal Fiscal Compliance / Procurement, as amended, at the first reading. (Section 4, Attachment #2)

3. (18-2-BP-4) Motion to approve Policy 625 Procurement Cards, as amended, at the first reading. (Section 4, Attachment #3)

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES:

Motion by Leghart, seconded by Ozegovich to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Spudy, yes. Motion carried.

1. (18-2-PE-1) Approve the retirement of the following personnel:

   Brett Neill  End of School Year

2. (18-2-PE-2) Approve Kristen Yanuck to be added to the list of substitute teachers.

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES:

None.

ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY:

Motion by Allen, seconded by Spudy to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Spudy, yes. Motion carried.

1. (18-2-ACT-1) Approve the hiring of Sharon Roose as the Middle School Assistant Softball Coach.

2. (18-2-ACT-2) Pending advancement, approve the swimmers and coaches to participate in the PIAA Swim Championships at Bucknell University from March 15-17, 2018, cost to come out of the athletic travel account.

3. (18-2-ACT-3) Pending advancement, approve the wrestlers and coaches to attend the PIAA Wrestling Championships in Hershey, PA from March 8-10, 2018, cost to come out of the athletic travel account.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS:

Motion by Ozegovich, seconded by Leghart to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Spudy, yes. Motion carried.
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BOARD REPORTS:

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No Report

CWCTC Joint Operating Committee – Karl Spudy
Open House for prospect new students- over 100 people attended. The budget should be prepared and voted on next month.

PSBA Representative – Chris Boucher
No Report

YEA REPORT: Union Representation
No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

Rep. Justin Walsh’s Staff to Offer Assistance with Property Tax/ Rent Rebate Applications. (Section 9, Attachment #1)

Assist constituents in filling out property tax/ rent rebate applications. A handout was provided at the board meeting as to dates when staff is available. Applications can be downloaded from Justin Walsh’s website or search for property tax/ rent rebate applications.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

None.
CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:
Nancy Bickus Neel- 30 Derr Road, West Newton, PA 15089

It was nice to see that Justin Walsh has a property tax rebate, and has also co-sponsored the House Bill 641. The bill freezes property taxes for those seniors. She would like to see a letter from the Yough School Board to support this bill at the next meeting.

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