YOUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

September 5, 2018

The Workshop Meeting of the Yough Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 P.M., on Wednesday, September 5, 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, Filapose, Harvey, Kenderes, Leghart, Ozegovich, and Ulander. Boucher was excused. Also present were Superintendent, Dr. Janet Sardon; High School Principal, Brian Sutherland; Intermediate/Middle School Principal, Kevin Smetak; Elementary Principal, Dr. Amy Larcinese; Elementary Principal, Dr. Jenifer Pappasergi; Director of Special Education, Dawn Hildenbrand; Business Manager, Michael Wroblecki; Athletic Director, Thomas Evans; Director of Technology, Andrew Sanders; Director of Facilities, Lisa Trayter; Solicitor, Gary Matta; and visitors.

*Swearing in of new School Board Director by Judge Charles Moore

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES: (Regular Meeting)

Rebecca Ghion
Sarah Beregi

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: (Regular Meeting)

I. Congratulations!

A. Congratulations to the following teachers for receiving Donors Choose Grants:

Frank Ansell  “Help Turn My Classroom into a Breakout Room”
Angela Wilson “Post-it Super Sticky Dry Erase Surface” &
“Biology BOSE Sound Touch Speakers”
Jeff Schmook “TI-84 Graphing Calculators”
Devlinc Smith “Microbits” in the amount of $394.00
Julia Aughenbaugh “Mutes/Elements Books” in the amount of $672.82
Aaron Knoechel “88 Key Portable Keyboard” in the amount of $879.99

II. INFORMATION:

On June 28, 2018, PDE was notified by OSEP that Pennsylvania has received the determination of “meets requirements” for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2016.
Pennsylvania has now received the “meets requirements” determination for eleven of the twelve years that the OSEP has been issuing its determinations.

III. PRESENTATIONS:

None.

BUDGET & FINANCE:

1. (18-9-BP-1) Approve the Board Minutes. (Section 3, Attachment #1)

2. (18-9-F-1) Approve the Treasurer’s Report for August, 2018. (To Be Inserted)

3. (18-9-F-2) Approve the general fund bills for payment in the amount of $905,628.51, cafeteria bills in the amount of $525.00, construction bills in the amount of $382,238.10, and payroll in the amount of $1,032,049.81 for a total disbursement of $2,320,441.42. (Section 3, Attachment #2)

4. (18-9-F-3) Approve to advertise jointly as a member of the Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Consortium for the purchase of supplies in the following categories: Multi-Purpose Paper, and Unleaded Gasoline and Diesel Fuel.

5. (18-9-F-4) To name Michael Wrobleski as the authorized representative to the Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Consortium for supplies, and also the WIU Joint Purchasing Consortium for fuel. Alternate being Dr. Janet Sardon.

SECRETARY’S REPORT:

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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES:


CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES:

1. (18-9-CE-3) Approve Melinda Omasta as a substitute secretary and substitute aide.

2. (18-9-CE-4) Approve Amanda Baker as a substitute secretary.

ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY:

1. (18-9-ACT-1) Approve the following coaches:

   Darius Brown            Junior Varsity Basketball Coach
   Rick Plassio            Middle School Head Basketball Coach

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5. (18-9-ACT-5) Accept the resignation of Tom Hudzema as the Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach.

**DISTRICT OPERATIONS:**

1. (18-9-O-1) Approve the Yough Marching Band to host “Night on Cougar Mountain” a Marching Band Festival on Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

2. (18-9-O-2) Approve the individual transportation contract as presented. (Section 8, Attachment #1)

3. (18-9-O-3) Approve tuition for one high school student to attend the Norwin School District’s AFJROTC Program for the 2018-2019 school year, in the amount of $1,337.50. (Section 8, Attachment #2)

4. (18-9-O-4) Motion to approve the upgrade to the Middle School Auditorium wireless microphone and speaker system, at the Co-Star price of $11,515.00. (Section 8, Attachment #3)

5. (18-9-O-5) Motion to approve the following PSBA candidates:

   President Elect
   Vice President
   Eastern At Large
   Section 2 Advisor
   Section 4 Advisor
   Section 6 Advisor
   Section 8 Advisor
   Insurance Trust Trustees

   School Board Secretaries Forum:
   Steering Committee (1 yr.)
   Steering Committee (2 yr.)

   Pupil Transportation Forum:
   Steering Committee (1 yr.)
   Steering Committee (2 yr.)

   Eric Wolfgang
   Art Levinowitz
   Maura Buri
   Thomas Kerek
   Gary Smedley
   Dan Hill
   Amy Goldman
   Richard Frerichs, William LaCoff,
   Nathan Mains

   Brian Feick, Lorraine Rocco,
   Bethanne Zeigler

   Michael Kiehl, Jim Pearson
VOTING ITEMS

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

1. (18-9-PE-1) Add the following names to the list of substitute teachers:
   Janet Cron
   Sarah Zora
   Jennifer Gehly
   Haley Lengel (pending clearances)

2. (18-9-CE-1) Accept the resignation of Stephanie Roose, Instructional Aide at West Newton Elementary. (Section 6, Attachment #1)

3. (18-9-CE-2) Employ Kaitlyn Moore as an Instructional Aide, effective immediately.

BOARD REPORTS:

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

Nothing new to report. Everyone should have received last meeting’s minutes. They found a replacement for Director of Student Services. The WIU Foundation is being built back up again. New board members are planning several events in October/ November.

CWCTC Joint Operating Committee – Chris Boucher

None.

PSBA Representative – Chris Boucher

None.

YEA REPORT: Union Representation

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Wrobleski said the roof is just about finished. The contractor will be out by the end of the week. He also said, the project was done really well and there were no problems with it to date.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Sardon gave a thank you to Joyce- the manager of the STA Terminal and to Lisa Trayter. We started the school year with only 5 phone calls about babysitting situations for bus purposes. That is a testament to the hard work of Joyce and Lisa. They faced extreme challenges due to road closures, maintenance of roads, etc. She also thanked the administrative team. It was a challenging start to the school year, but it has been wonderful due to the hard work of the administrative team.
SOLICITOR'S REPORT:
None.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:
No Comments.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND MEETING DATES:

1. Wednesday, September 12, 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, September 19, 2018– CWCTC Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

3. Tuesday, September 25, 2018 – WIU Board Meeting, 7:00 P.M.; WIU Board Room

4. Wednesday, October 3, 2018 – Workshop Meeting 7:30 P.M.; Large Group Instruction Room, Yough Senior High School. Executive Session at 6:30 P.M., Board/Conference Room

5. Wednesday, October 10, 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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Ozegovich, seconded by Allen to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 P.M. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Filapose, yes; Harvey, yes; Kenderes, yes; Leghart, yes; Ozegovich, yes; Ulander, yes. Motion carried.

[Signatures]

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Secretary
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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:

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PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

Nancy Bickus Neel asked why there is a bond refunding item on the agenda for this week when it was not discussed at the planning meeting last week.

Dr. Sardon replied that there will be a presentation and discussion at tonight’s meeting and tonight’s voting item is not to do the bond refinancing, but to pass a resolution to do one if the bond market permits over the next few months.

Nancy Bickus Neel also stated that on the school board in 1992 when they did renovations they brought in several firms for discussion. Why do we only have one firm doing this for us? How do we know we aren’t violating tax code?

Mr. Matta and Mr. Ditka will ensure that the refinance will not violate new tax code regulations.

Nancy Bickus Neel asked why aren’t Mr. Matta’s fees in the book for bills paid?

Mr. Wrobleksi responded that it is in the book, it is paid every month or every other month. Sometimes Mr. Matta’s administrative assistant doesn’t get the invoice to the District on time.

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SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

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III. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Anthony Ditka & Joseph Muscatello – Bond Refunding

BUDGET & FINANCE:

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

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

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**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES:**

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


**CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES:**

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

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*All clearances are in.*
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DISTRICT OPERATIONS:
Motion by Leghart, seconded by Harvey to approve items 1-6 listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Harvey, yes; Filapose, yes; Leghart, yes; Kenderes, yes; Ulander, yes. Motion carried.

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   Section 6 Advisor  

   Eric Wolfgang  
   Art Levinowitz  
   Maura Buri  
   Thomas Kerek  
   Gary Smedley  
   Dan Hill
6. (18-9-O-6) Approve the field trip to Quebec, Canada for the French III & IV Students from February 28, 2019 through March 3, 2019. (Section 8, Attachment #4)

7. (18-9-O-7) Approve the Resolution, presented by the bond counsel, authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed $18,000,000.00, in order to refund all or portions of the School District’s outstanding General Obligation Bonds Series A of 2011, 2013, Series A of 2014 and Series B of 2014, provided the refunding produces combined, aggregate total debt savings on all the debt being refunded, on a present value basis, after allowing for costs of issuance, of at least 2.00%. (Section 8, Attachment #5)

Mr. Filaposse states that it is the board’s fiduciary responsibility to seek other bids on this bond refinancing issue. He makes a motion to table item #7 under District Operations until the board does fiduciary responsibility to get other bids. Mr. Kenderes seconds.

Ms. Leghart asked if we really have time to seek other bids.

Dr. Sardon answered that last year we got information from other districts about bond refinancing. Mr. Wroblewski did research with other business managers to see the fees they are paying for bond counsel and bond re-financing. Fees were pretty consistent across Westmoreland County for bond counsel, legal fees, and bond re-financing.

Nancy Bickus Neel asked if different firms could market the bonds better?

Mr. Wroblewski responded that other districts do use other firms and that the fees are consistent.

Nancy Bickus Neel asked if other firms could get better interest rates?

Mr. Muscatello responded that interest rates are very low. Really not much wiggle room for any other companies to get better rates when they are that low.

Motion to table item 7 listed above by Filaposse, seconded by Kenderes. Allen, no; Bach, no; Boucher, no; Harvey, no; Filaposse, yes; Leghart, no; Kenderes, yes; Ulander, no.

2-6 Motion not carried.

Motion by Leghart, seconded by Allen to approve item 7 listed above. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Harvey, yes; Filaposse, no; Leghart, yes; Kenderes, no; Ulander, yes. 6-2 Motion carried.
BOARD REPORTS:

WIU#7 and WIU#7 Legislative Council – Linda Leghart
No report.

CWCTC Joint Operating Committee – Chris Boucher
No report.

PSBA Representative – Chris Boucher
Dr. Sardon is attending the PSBA conference in Hershey in October.

YEA REPORT: Union Representation
No report.

OLD BUSINESS:
None.

NEW BUSINESS:
Missy Troxell’s last day is Friday, September 21st. She is the food service director for Nutrition. The new director will be Brenda Wineland.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:
None.

CITIZEN’S COMMENTS:
None.

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Motion by Boucher, seconded by Allen to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 P.M. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Boucher, yes; Harvey, yes; Filapose, yes; Leghart, yes; Kenderes, yes; Ulander, yes. Motion carried.

President

Secretary

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