

**Thursday, December 1, 2022
Regular Board
Minutes**

The West Mifflin Area School District Regular Board Meeting was held in the West Mifflin Borough Building Council Chambers, 1020 Lebanon Road, West Mifflin, PA 15122. Meeting began at 5:10 p.m.

1. OPENING EXERCISES

A. Roll Call

Members Present: Matthew Blazeovich, Debra Kostelnik, Judith Ahern, Anthony DiCenzo, Mark Donahoe, Gina Englert, Jonathan Mattis, Kevin Squires and Mark Yuhas

Officials Present: Jeffrey Soles, Jeffrey Solomon, Joseph Esper, Mark Zidek and Russell Lucas

2. PRESENTATIONS

A. None

3. ADDENDUM

It was moved by Donahoe, seconded by Yuhas to add addendum items to the December 1, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert, Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazeovich voted "Aye".
MOTION CARRIED

4. HEARING OF CITIZENS

A. Public Comment

In Order to speak at this time, the following must be met:

- Must be a West Mifflin, Whitaker, or Duquesne Resident
- Matter must have been discussed through the proper education channels
- Direct comments to the Board President and/or Superintendent
- Remarks limited to three (3) minutes per person
 - Diane Stanesic spoke about having a quorum at the last meeting, use of school equipment and property, and volunteer positions.
 - Cara Surmick thanked the Board for what they do, thanked the Board for joining the Clara Barton PTA, and spoke about all of the programs that are available for students. Also, suggested a PR person for the District.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. None

6. BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Board of Directors

Board action to approve/ratify items under Board of Directors, as listed/presented.*

1. Appointment of Mr. Donahoe as the PSBA representative and Mrs. Englert as the PSBA alternate representative for the ensuing year.

2. Appointment of Mr. Squires as the SHASDA representative and Mr. Mattis as the SHASDA alternate representative for the ensuing year.

It was moved by Ahern, seconded by Squires to approve Section 6A, Items 1-2.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert, Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazeovich voted "Aye".
MOTION CARRIED

B. Finance

Board action to approve/ratify items under Finance, as listed/presented.*

1. Authorization to pay usual, customary, and reasonable expenses, during the month of December 2022, such payments to be presented to the Board at its January 2023 meeting for ratification.
2. Authorization for the Solicitor's office to settle the tax appeal docketed at BV-21-1113 at an assessed value in the amount of \$650,000 for 2021 and 2022
3. Authorization for the Solicitor's office to settle the tax appeal docketed at BV-21-906 at an assessed value in the amount of \$825,000 for 2021 and \$710,000 for 2022
4. Real estate tax refunds due for 2020, 2021 and 2022 to specified property owners of West Mifflin in the amount of \$80,794.90 as presented by the respective tax collector. The refunds are the result of changes in real estate tax assessment values established by Allegheny County

It was moved by Donahoe, seconded by DiCenzo to approve Section 6B, Items 1-4.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert, Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazeovich voted "Aye".
MOTION CARRIED

C. Contracting/Purchasing

Board action to approve/ratify items under Purchasing/Contracting, as listed/presented.*

1. Quote with Synaptic Security Resources LLC to perform Annual Blue Point Maintenance throughout the district at a cost of \$3,797.00

It was moved by Kostelnik, seconded by Donahoe to approve Section 6C, Item 1.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert, Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazeovich voted "Aye".
MOTION CARRIED

7. DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Board Action to approve/ratify items under District Operations, as listed/presented.*

- A. Proposal for the High School's 2023 Spring Musical Production "Mamma Mia" to be performed February 23, 24, 25, and 26, 2023, as presented.
- B. Request for the High School baseball team to attend spring training in Florida from March 24 through March 29, 2023, as presented.
- C. Proposal for the creation of a Winter Indoor Percussion Ensemble Club, as presented.
- D. Approve the Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health Group to provide social/emotional support at a cost of \$4,000.00 (Addendum Item)
- E. Approve the expulsion of students 15231 and 15232 for a period of 365 days (Addendum Item)
- F. Approve the bid from Triangle Roofing Inc. for the High School roof replacement at the cost of \$586,429.00 (Addendum Item)

It was moved by DiCenzo, seconded by Mattis to approve Section 7, Items A-F.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert (Voted "No" to 7.E), Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazevich voted "Aye". MOTION CARRIED

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

Board Action to approve/ratify Superintendent's Reports, as listed/presented.*

A. Student Activities

ID	Staff/Bldg	Activity/Location	#Students	Grade(s)	Date
14946C	Deana Wallace/HS	Best Buddies Holiday Party/Bethel Park High School	20	9-12	12/15/2022
14948A	Jennifer Shields/HS	Partner Up Site Visit/PNC, Pittsburgh	15	12	1/30/2023
14952T	Brian Aufman/HS	Open Heart Surgery Observation/ Allegheny General Hospital	12	9-12	5/4/2023
14954F	Kevin Kocher/HS	A Lyrical Christmas Carol/Pittsburgh Musical Theater	50	9-12	12/15/2022
14956A	Brian Aufman/HS	Snowtubing Trip/7 Springs Ski Resort	30	9-12	12/20/2022
14958K	Chelsea Joyce/HS	Holiday Social/South Allegheny High School	20	9-12	12/7/2022
14960L	Melissa Prutz/HS	Show Choir Performance/Salvatore's (Addendum Item)	16	10-12	12/9/22

B. Student Fundraising Activities

Club	Sponsor	Fundraiser	Use of Funds	Date(s)
MS Student Activities	Stacy Galiyas	Jeans Theme Days	Toys for Titans	12/6/2022 – 12/23/2022
MS Student Activities	Stacy Galiyas	\$2 Donation Day	Toys for Titans	12/6/2022

C. Buildings and Grounds

ID	Location	Date(s)/Time	Purpose/Applicant
53	MS Auditorium, Cafeteria, Classroom 1, Classroom 2	April 22 (10:00 AM – 5:30 PM)	Concert/Jr. Tamburitzans of Duquesne (Shellie Posavatz)
54	HS Gym, Auxiliary Gym	January 2, 9, 10, 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 30 February 1, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23 (6:00 PM – 8:00 PM)	Baseball Conditioning/HS Baseball (Jeff Kuzma)
55	HS Gym, Auxiliary Gym	January 8, 15, 22, 29 February 5, 12, 19, 26 (11:00 AM – 1:00 PM)	Baseball Conditioning/HS Baseball (Jeff Kuzma)
56	HS Pool	January 4, 9, 11, 18, 23, 25, 30 (6:30 PM – 7:30 PM)	Aqua Zumba/WM Pool & Aquatics (Laura Dolton)
57	HS Pool	January 17, 31 (6:00 PM – 8:00 PM)	Open/Family or Adult Swim/WM Pool & Aquatics (Laura Dolton)
58	HS Pool	January 4, 9, 11, 18, 23, 25, 30 (7:30 PM – 9:00 PM)	Open/Family or Adult Swim/WM Pool & Aquatics (Laura Dolton)
59	HS Pool	January 18, 25 (5:00 PM – 6:30 PM)	Swim Lessons/WM Pool & Aquatics (Laura Dolton)
60	HS Gym	December 28, 29 (6:00 AM – 6:00 PM)	Wrestling Tournament/HS Wrestling (Sam Sherlock)
61	MS Gym	January 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31	Basketball/WM Community Basketball Organization

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		(5:00 PM – 8:00 PM)	(Leon Harrison)
62	HM Gym	January 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26, 27, 31 (5:00 PM – 8:00 PM)	Basketball/WM Community Basketball Organization (Leon Harrison)
63	HS LGI Room	December 11, 17, 18 (7:30 AM – 4:00 PM)	NASRO Training/Public Safety Security (Joe Gajdos)
498	MS Auditorium	April 19 (5:30 PM – 9:30 PM)	Concert Rehearsal/Jr. Tamburitzans of Duquesne (Shellie Posavatz)
559	HS Gym	January 7 (7:00 AM – 6:00 PM)	Wrestling Tournament/WM Little League Wrestling (Sheri Krynski)
560	HS Gym	January 6 (6:00 PM – 7:00 PM)	Wrestling Tournament Set Up/WM Little League Wrestling (Sheri Krynski)

It was moved by Donahoe, seconded by DiCenzo to approve Section 8, Items A-C.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert, Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazeovich voted "Aye".
MOTION CARRIED

9. NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Board action to approve/ratify items under Non-Certified Personnel, as listed.*

A. Leaves of Absence

- 1) *Employee #3684, Unpaid day on Monday, November 21, 2022

B. Hires/Transfers

- 1) Jessica Didjunas, District Part-Time Paraeducator, effective Monday, December 5, 2022

C. Other

- 1) Additional Security Staff for the 2022-2023 school year:

Raymond Robinson

- 2) Additional Pool & Aquatics Staff for the 2022-2023 school year:

Lyannie Barone

D. Substitutes

- 1) Caliph Gloster, Custodial, December 2, 2022

It was moved by DiCenzo, seconded by Donahoe to approve Section 9, Items A-D.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert, Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazeovich voted "Aye".
MOTION CARRIED

10. ATHLETIC PERSONNEL

Board action to approve/ratify items under Athletic Personnel, as listed.*

A. Hires

- 1) Chad Navarro, Middle School Softball Coach, effective Friday, December 2, 2022

B. Other

- 1) Robert Devey, approve as Volunteer Wrestling Coach, effective Friday, December 2, 2022

It was moved by DiCenzo, seconded by Ahern to approve Section 10, Items A-B.

Roll Call: Ahern, DiCenzo, Donahoe, Englert, Mattis, Squires, Yuhas, Kostelnik and Blazeovich voted "Aye".
MOTION CARRIED

11. BOARD PRESIDENT'S CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Blazeovich reported that there was nothing at this time.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION DISCUSSION

Mr. Blazeovich reported that there were Executive Sessions held to discuss legal and personnel matters

13. BOARD REPORTS

A. Committees

None

B. Steel Center

None

14. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Lucas had nothing for the Public session.

15. OLD BUSINESS

None

16. NEW BUSINESS

None

17. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.



Joseph M. Esper
Board Secretary/Business Manager