

March 25, 2024

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order at 6:02 PM in the High School Library by the President, Todd Engel.

The meeting opened with a Moment of Silence and Pledge to the Flag.

Board Members Present: Bachman, Brigandi, Bukeavich, Engel, Hitesman, Rupert, and Young.

Others Present: Maria Pierce – Rommelt Principal/Director of Student Services, Dwight Woodley – Director of Innovative Learning/IT, Bill Reifsnnyder – Director of Buildings and Ground, Eric Briggs – Superintendent, Jamie Mowrey – Business Manager, and Tom Burkhart – Solicitor.

Visitors: Matt Courter – Williamsport SunGazette, Jessica Watson, Hilarie German, Charles Haefner, Patton Bartholomew, Elyse Schopfer, Melissa Daily, Cassie Engel, Holly Strouse, and Richard Knecht.

#### **APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT**

A motion to approve the treasurer's report from February 2024 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

#### **APPROVE BILLS**

A motion to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$3,514,686.09, Food Service Fund in the amount of \$131,246.36, Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$10,521.45 and GO Note 2022 in the amount of \$787,279.47 as funds become available was moved by Hitesman, seconded by Rupert. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

#### **APPROVE MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes of February 12, 2024 and March 11, 2024 as written was moved by Young, seconded by Brigandi. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### **APPROVAL OF ESCO COMPANY**

A motion to approve the selection of Reynolds Energy Services, Inc. d/b/a SitelogIQ Energy Services, Inc. to develop a Guaranteed Energy Savings Act (GESA) project at the Junior Senior High School for consideration by the school board in June 2024 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Young. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

##### **GESA PRESENTATION BY SITELOGIQ**

Damion Spahr from SitelogIQ presented information to the school board regarding the upcoming building project at the Junior Senior High School. Priority scopes and options include renovation work needed for 6<sup>th</sup> grade inclusion at the building, LED lighting throughout the building for significant energy savings, kitchen renovations, and select mechanical upgrades. Additional options beyond the current project cost would include bathroom upgrades, replacement of roof-top and energy recovery units, replacement of unit ventilators and terminal equipment, replacement of boilers, and replacement of BAS. Scope will continue to be refined before final presentation to the school board for their approval.

### **CHANGE ORDER APPROVAL FOR CENTRAL ELEMENTARY PROJECT**

A motion to approve the following Change Order for the Central Elementary Project was moved by Rupert, seconded by Young.

- Electrical Contract (E-003): total addition of \$19,927.15
  - COR 3 – Wiring Condensate Pumps to BAS - \$5,981.34
  - COR 4 – Raceway and Conductors relocation - \$11,141.65
  - COR 5 – Lighting Circuit relocation - \$2,804.16

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **POTENTIAL CHANGE ORDER APPROVAL FOR CENTRAL ELEMENTARY PROJECT**

A motion to approve the following potential change orders for the Central Elementary Project was moved by Bachman, seconded by Brigandi.

- Plumbing Contract
  - Countertop Sink and Faucet Replacements - \$34,805.00
  - Bathroom Faucet Replacements - \$15,943.00
- General Contract
  - Paint existing wood casework and trim - \$45,322.00
  - New window roller shades for windows not being replaced - \$29,237.30

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **EMPLOYMENT - INFORMATIONAL**

Dr. Briggs, Superintendent, accepted a letter of resignation from Cheyenne Hogue from her secretary position at the Junior Senior High School effective May 31, 2024.

### **EMPLOYMENT**

A motion to approve the following employment was moved by Hitesman, seconded by Rupert.

Personal Care Paraprofessional – Rebecca Baker as a personal care paraprofessional at the Junior Senior High School effective March 26, 2024 for 6 hours per day at a rate of \$14.74 per hour in accordance with the South Williamsport Education Support Professionals Association Agreement

Substitutes for the 2023-2024 School Year – Heather Miller (Nurse)

Spring Game Workers/Managers – Matt Bradley and Chris Lusk

Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **TRANSPORTATION DRIVER**

A motion to approve Stephanie Messner as a bus driver for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year was moved by Bukeavich, seconded by Engel. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **APPROVE POLICIES – FIRST AND SECOND READING**

A motion to approve the first and second reading of Policy No 202 – Eligibility of Nonresident Students was moved by Rupert, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD**

A motion to approve an agreement with Strickler to purchase a football scoreboard at a cost of \$51,000 plus electronic team names at a cost of \$12,000, and the purchase of two play clocks at a cost of \$8,000; with funding coming from a donation from Journey Bank with the remainder coming from the Capital Reserve Fund, was moved by Rupert, seconded by Brigandi. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **ERATE CATEGORY 2 FUNDING**

A motion to approve the eRate Category 2 funding contract bids for a total of \$190,289.45; net cost to the district after eRate reimbursement of \$50,214.69, was moved by Brigandi, seconded by Rupert. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **TYLER TECHNOLOGIES SOFTWARE PROPOSAL**

A motion to approve the Tyler Technologies Software for Student Transportation powered by Traversa at a one time cost of \$7,885 plus a recurring fee of \$2,678 was moved by Rupert, seconded by Young. Roll call: Bachman-yes, Brigandi-yes, Bukeavich-yes, Engel-yes, Hitesman-yes, Rupert-yes, and Young-yes; motion carried.

### **COURTESY TO THE FLOOR**

The following individuals spoke about the following topics

- Hilarie German – high school project considerations
- Cassie Engel – disruptive student in classroom at Central Elementary

There will be an executive session following the board meeting regarding legal matters; no action to follow.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Young, seconded by Rupert. All members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Attest



Jamie Mowrey  
Board Secretary