

WRIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Elementary Multi-Purpose Room

OPENING OF MEETING

Nicole Gerend called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Maggie Boland, Joie Cunningham, Melinda Lemke, Nicole Gerend, Jeff Nelson, Angela Hansen-Winker, Tiffany Van Vreede

Board Members Absent: none

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: Guidance-Kindness Month

Sarah Pierce, WES School Counselor; Angela Ederer, WMS School Counselor; and Amanda Prodell, WMS/WHS School Counselor shared information with the board highlighting what they do for our students and families. They also shared some of the kindness and program initiatives that are happening this month.

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Debbie VanderHeiden shared concerns regarding increased taxes.

APPROVE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Van Vreede made a motion to approve the January 16, 2023, regular session minutes. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

APPROVE PERSONNEL

No personnel changes.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

Jeff Nelson, Joie Cunningham, Dan Storch, Carla Buboltz, and Nicole Gerend shared take aways from the WASB/WASBO/WASDA convention in January.

FINANCE

- A. Cunningham made a motion to approve the payment of the February 2023 General Fund Bills Listing, check #1063234 through #1063350 for the total of \$475,216.63, and the January 2023 Receipts of \$4,186,533.09. Seconded by Boland. Motion carried.
- B. Finance Report by Dan Storch
 - The Governor will be announcing the budget proposal
 - Dan has been meeting with the building principals to discuss the remaining 2022-23 budget

ADMINISTRATIVE & BOARD REPORTS

Carla Buboltz reported on:

- Carla met with the District Curriculum Council collectively and individually.
- The district provided breakfast for the bus drivers during their safety meeting at First Student.
- Steve Jones, author of Twin Thieves spoke to the students at WMS and WHS on Monday. He will speak to the staff during the inservice on Friday.

- We have started staff and budget planning for the 2023-24 school year.
- Carla gave a tour of the schools to Bellin's Administration and Achieve Brown County
- WCSD has three teachers recognized as Teachers of Distinction: Jill Bailey, Chelsea Lasecki, and Hannah Abrahamson. The dinner will be held on April 19 at Lambeau Field.
- The Student Achievement committee presented their Portrait of a Graduate and Vision and Mission materials. WHS Teacher Jill Bailey created the graphic designs.

Caroline Mihalski reported on:

- The special education team has been busy with special education evaluations, reviewing caseloads for next year, and teacher assistance teams.
- The special education team and staff are working to prepare for spring testing.
- Caroline is continuing the classroom observations with teachers.
- The school counselors discussed many of the support services available to our students.

Bob Caelwaerts reported on:

- Congratulations to Chelsea Lasecki on being named a 2023 Teacher of Distinction.
- Good luck to Lahela Carter as she competes in the Regional Spelling Bee.
- Thank you to Fox's Pizza for donating 15% of their profits on February 9 to our Behavior Team.
- The Middle School students attended a presentation by Steve Jones this past Monday.
- Parent/Teacher conferences will be taking place on Feb. 23 and March 1.

Scott Thompson reported on:

- The High School students attended a presentation by Steve Jones this past Monday.
- Mid-quarter progress reports will go out and Parent/Teacher conferences will be held Feb. 23.
- Preparation for the online ACT testing has begun.
- Class scheduling is underway. The Leadership class has 35 students signed up and Glass Mosiacs has 22.
- The FBLA team won their 14th consecutive Regional Championship.
- The FFA team will compete in a Career Development event on March 2 with 40 students participating.
- FFA has a variety of events planned next week for FFA week.

Craig Haese reported on:

- The Sting Cancer Group and NHS had a fundraiser for Jahna Reyes during the Boys & Girls basketball double header, raising over \$14,000 for Jahna!
- Congratulations to the dance team for participating in the State Dance Competition.
- The Forensic team won their fourth consecutive NEC conference competition.
- We have three robotics teams that have qualified for Nationals that will be held in Omaha, Nebraska in April.
- The wrestling team competed at the Two Rivers regional last Saturday and advanced five on to the sectional meet that we will be hosting on February 18. Wrightstown will have three girls competing at the Sectional meet as well.
- The girls basketball team earned a #2 seed in the WIAA playoffs.
- The boys basketball team will learn this Sunday of their seed for the WIAA playoffs.

Sarah Nelson reported on:

- Thank you to Julie Johnson for all of her work in the implementation of Bridges math curriculum.
- Thank you to Sarah Pierce for her work with Kindness month at WES.
- Thank you to Ashley Moser for helping her students decorate coffee sleeves with motivational sayings for the River Coffee and Cream.
- WES participated in the semester assembly on how to Be the Good at home.
- Mrs. VanZeeland's Kindergarten class made cards for the police and fire department to thank them for their service.
- The Kindergarten and 1st grade classes celebrated the 100 and 101 days of school.

- The 4th grade classes are participating in a wax museum of famous people they have been researching.
- Congratulations to Hannah Abrahamson on being named a 2023 Teacher of Distinction.

Chris Knapp reported on:

- Maintenance is continuing to update lights at WHS to more energy efficient LED bulbs.
- The equipment is ready for the spring and summer seasons.
- Maintenance has been replacing HVAC sensors at WHS to help with temperature control.
- Chris will be meeting tomorrow to finalize planning for upgrades to WES & WMS doors and windows.

A. Recognition letters

- Dance, Bus Drivers, Golden Apple

B. Board President Report

- Nicole shared the timeline for the Superintendent search.
- Angela shared her questions regarding the Superintendent search.

Nicole Gerend gave updates for next month's meeting:

- March 15th at 6:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Van Vreede to adjourn meeting at 7:27 p.m. Seconded by Nelson. Motion carried.

Maggie Boland, Board Clerk