

**West Greene School District
1367 Hargus Creek Road
Waynesburg, PA 15370**

The West Greene School District Board of Education held their **regular meeting** on **Thursday, September 23, 2021**, at the West Greene Junior-Senior High School, 1352 Hargus Creek Road, Waynesburg, PA at 7:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chad Scott, President and led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Jan Berdine – A	Joe Coss – P	Ryan Crouse – P
Daniele Frye – P	Marie Gillispie – P	Michael Hildreth – P
Rob Inmon – P	Mary Jane Kent – A	Chad Scott – P

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- **MOTION BY Coss, SECOND BY Crouse**, to amend the Board Agenda as follows:
 - 1.) Under “personnel”, remove items #2 and #3; item #8 modified to read “to post and/or advertise, if necessary, for an NHS Sponsor; 2.) add a motion “to approve the purchase of Cyber Loss and Liability Insurance through Baily Insurance Agency at a cost of \$5,270.00 (this item was received within the last 24 hours and relates to a matter of security for the District; and 3.) add a motion to amend the District's face covering exemption form to extend the deadline to provide medical documentation to November 30, 2021.

VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

- **MOTION BY Crouse, SECOND BY Hildreth**, to approve the agenda as amended.

VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

- September 9, 2021 Personnel
- September 23, 2021 Contract Negotiations and Health and Safety

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **MOTION BY Crouse, SECOND BY Inmon**, to approve the **August 26, 2021**, regular meeting minutes.

VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

- **MOTION BY Coss, SECOND BY Hildreth**, to approve the **September 9, 2021**, Personnel, Building & Sites, Budget and Policy committee meetings.

VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

PRESENT BOARD ACTION TAKEN AT THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 COMMITTEE MEETING AS A MATTER OF RECORD:

MOTION BY Coss, SECOND BY Berdine, to eliminate #4 and #5 from the West Greene face covering exemption and modifying #3 to read “I attest my student cannot wear a mask or face shield because doing so would cause a medical condition or exacerbate an existing one.

DISCUSSION: *Michael Hildreth addressed the Board and audience and discussed sovereign immunity. If the Board implements something by the state, the Board cannot be held personally liable. If the Board fails to implement the mask mandate, with fidelity, Board members will be losing their sovereign immunity. If any student in the school building gets COVID-19, or if one parent deems the Board is not providing them a safe place for their student to go to school, that parent can sue the Board members personally. He further indicated that PSBA generally comes with personal liability insurance. Those personal liability insurers are no longer offering that to School Board members who vote to opt out of a mask mandate. Fines could be imposed on School Board Directors and they could receive jail time. Mr. Hildreth stated that he cannot support this motion.*

VOTE: 3 YEA (Coss, Berdine, Gillispie); 5 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Frye)

MOTION FAILED.

MOTION BY Scott, SECOND BY Crouse, to adjust the face covering exemption form with modifications to the preface; Section 1 and Section 2 remain the same; Section 3 being modified correspondingly as there is no need for the School District to actually understand the medial condition of the child, only that one exists that would prevent them from wearing a face covering or face shield; Section 4 will remain in place and will be modified in two weeks after guidance is received; and Section 5, allowing the School District to communicate with the student’s practitioner, is removed (document attached).

VOTE: 6 YEA; 2 NAY (Coss, Gillispie); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Frye)

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve Matthew Allen at \$13.41 per hour as a Temporary Part-Time Custodian (27.5 hours per week), effective August 31, 2021, to January 1, 2022, pending satisfactory results from a pre-employment drug test, all other appropriate paperwork is on file.

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY Crouse, **SECOND BY** Berdine, to approve Tara Taylor at \$13.41 as a Temporary Part-Time Custodian (27.5 hours per week), effective August 31, 2021, to January 1, 2022, pending satisfactory results from a pre-employment drug test, all other appropriate paperwork is on file.

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY Crouse, **SECOND BY** Berdine, to terminate the Independent Contractor Agreement with Donna Dire effective immediately.

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY Crouse, **SECOND BY** Berdine, to terminate the Independent Contractor Agreement with Laura Walters, effective immediately.

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS

Brian Jackson, Superintendent

Joe Sanfelippo was the main speaker on the Act 80 Day to discuss County-wide Professional Development. This professional development will be taught by teachers, some by I.U. personnel. That will allow teachers to do things that they feel will best help them in their growth and professional development. They get to choose what sessions they want to attend. We have been doing this for the last several years. It's the first year that Central Greene will be a part of the program. And we look for that to be a success as it has been in the past.

Eric Gaydos, Academic Director

He thanked all faculty and staff for helping get this school year off to a good start. There have been minor nuances with new software and the student information system, however things are getting settled. Elementary students have completed their first round of STAR Assessments. The assessment tool provides teachers and parents with information about their learner's progress, including a scaled score, a projected scaled score goal for the remainder of the year, percentile rank, instructional reading level, and zone of proximal development. A core progress report includes areas of strength and concern broken down by skill level. It identifies which grade level the child is working on for each skill. The Greene County Schools Professional Development Day has been planned for October 1, 2021. The day will be hosted at Waynesburg Central. It will feature a keynote speaker in the morning and an a la carte professional development rotational schedule in the afternoon. West Greene will have additional teachers back on campus for additional enVision Math core training. He thanked Tractor Supply Company for their donation of several hundred seed packets for the FFA/Vo-Ag program. He gave a special thank you to regional manager, Mr. Randy Raymond for his support of West Greene's Program. An informational presentation on the current guidance on how West Greene School District responds to COVID-19 cases has been created. The presentation will be made available on the district website to serve as a resource to families. Students taking Mrs. Ullom's AP Research course became "married" to their research topic. Topics include car design, social media and business marketing, dementia in nursing homes, war time innovation, Disney, the effect of gambling on minors, how the taboo of death affects funeral traditions, children understanding death, and equine therapy. Students will learn and implement various research activities associated with their topic including the application of context and perspective, analyzing sources and evidence, writing a college level academic paper, and presenting research findings to an audience. Modifications will be made to the classroom instruction to include an online format to account for students who need to stay home and attend school virtually.

Jared Edgreen, School Police Officer, Absent - Report read by Scott Sakai

Mr. Edgreen and Mr. Gaydos attended a webinar put on by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency to give us further guidance on the establishment and sustainability of an effective Threat Assessment Team. He met with Greene County Emergency Management, as well as the Pennsylvania State Police to review our West Greene Emergency Operation Plan. Both entities were impressed with West Greene's proactivity in creating the document, and remarked West Greene was the only district to do so. He thanked Mr. Gaydos for his help with the plan and the Board of Directors for reviewing and voting to pass it. He printed 35 "Senior Citizen Athletic Passes" with the ID Printer. He thanked Mr. Barnes for helping him create the "pdf," Mrs. Hildreth for taking pictures, and Mrs. Berdine helped disseminate the finished product. He and Melissa Ullom worked on a new grant that was released by the PDE. The "Equipment Grant," offers schools \$25,000 in security infrastructure and technology upgrades. The grant application is due by October 1. With the grant in mind, he scheduled a meeting with a contractor to go over the breadth of the project and get an idea of an approximate budget. We will be conducted September 24.

Jessica Bissett, Business Manager

All bank accounts have been balanced as of August. A FEMA application in the amount of \$50,000 was submitted for cleaning supplies used within the last year and for PPE. Transportation for 2021 was submitted and it will help with subsidies for next year. The cyber insurance quote from Baily Insurance is higher this year, and that is due to the current world situation.

Scott Sakai, Junior-Senior High School Principal

Students and Parents have been set up with the new Focus portal system to check and monitor student grades and attendance. College visits have started. The Air Force visited September 14; Penn State visited for an Instant Decision Day on September 21; and Universal Technical Institute visited today. Future visits and Instant Decision Days have been set up with Waynesburg University, Washington & Jefferson, Seton Hill, California University of PA, West Liberty, Saint Francis, and Slippery Rock University. Students have been kept informed of visits and scholarships via email, the school counseling classroom, school facebook page, school announcements, and school website. Greene County Financial Aid Night was held virtually on September 8. The 2020-2021 yearbooks are in for students who have already purchased a copy. All extra copies have been sold. Open House for the Junior-Senior High School was successfully held on September 14. School Picture Day was held September 14, and make-up pictures are scheduled for October 26. Life skills started their field trips for the 2021-2022 school year. A Rite Aid representative will host a Flu Vaccination Day at West Greene for interested staff on September 29. Progress Reports are going to be distributed to the students on September 30. The Challenge Program will be hosting a kickoff assembly on October 6, for grades 10 - 12 to encourage and promote good grades, attendance, and community service involvement. The Homecoming Game will be on October 8, and the Homecoming Dance will be held on October 9. PSAT will be held at West Greene on October 13. ASVAB will be held on October 20. West Greene will be hosting a SAT School Day on October 28.

Don Painter, Elementary Principal

Open House was held on September 7, at the Elementary School. Turnout was a little light, but he was pleased to share that nearly everyone in attendance was compliant with the mask requirement and only had to hand out a few masks. Several primary aged classrooms had parents of nearly all of their students attend. The "A/B" schedule of lunches worked well in the Elementary School, and there have been very few spills between the cafeteria and classrooms. The "A/B" schedule allows for students to continue eating in the cafeteria while remaining socially distant. Miss Danley created a very nice and helpful instructional video to help parents and children login to "Clever" from a home device. The video, along with written directions, will be sent out to parents so they can follow step by step how to download "Clever" which will facilitate the use of Moby Max, Freckle and other educational apps. Bus Drivers are continuing to remind students daily that masks are required on district transportation regardless of whether students have a signed waiver submitted to the school. Mr. Painter and Mr. Sakai visited every school bus and reminded students of the expectation. Bus Drivers have been instructed to issue tickets for students who continue to disobey the mask requirement.

Bob Ward, Director of Educational and Informational Technology

Contractors were onsite to continue integration of the network switch upgrade. The core switch install is scheduled for October 9, to eliminate any downtime associated with that phase of the project. He was contacted by DQE, the internet contractor, and they will be onsite next week to perform a pre-construction site survey to determine how to get the fiber in the building and down to the MDF. Quite a bit of time has been spent working on the new SIS software and coordinating data synchronizations between District apps such as Clever, Lunchtime and Google. The District working toward having quality data within the District's system and using those synchronizations will provide a single location to input, manage and verify that data. Day-to-day support and maintenance continues.

Jim Elsenheimer, Director of Food Service

There have been issues with US Foods and COVID protocols and them not delivering food. His staff is looking at what is available and what they can produce. Four or five choices are provided every day for lunch. US Foods plans on delivering food next week. The cafeteria has purchased jelly from Aldi and made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches in-house as "uncrustables" have not been available as a lunch option for weeks.

John McDermitt, Director of Facilities

The initial quotes for the Life Skills room were given to Haley Bissett. It was originally thought that the restroom would have to be moved; but a solution was found and everything is on track with the original plan. The delivery of the ceiling grid, as well as the drywall supplies was received. Wall preparation was completed and is ready to start priming. Lunches in the classrooms have begun in the Elementary School, so the crew has socially distanced both cafeterias. All tables have been spaced out as far as possible and seats have been removed to keep it safe for the students. HUDL showed up the other day. A "needs list" has been put together for electricity. The custodial crew started running electric and conduit today.

Bill Simms, Athletic Director

Varsity Girls' Volleyball has lost a couple tight section games, but are in playoff contention. Cross Country has been running well. The girls team has only dropped 1 match, and that was to Belle Vernon. There are several middle school athletes running. 7 & 8 Grade Football athletes are battling a little bit of an injury bug, but competing well. 7 & 8 Grade Softball has won a couple games, and they are improving with each outing. Varsity Football had a big section win over California last week, and travels to Avella for their next game. October 1, will be a big game against Carmichaels, and Homecoming is scheduled for October 8, against Bentworth.

Greene County CTC Representative, Daniele Frye

The CTC will be holding their Occupational Advisory Committee meetings on October 14, at 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM. Culinary Arts will be holding their meeting on October 12. Southwest Corner Workforce Development Board for Beaver, Greene and Washington Counties for a breakfast roundtable on October 22, at the CTC. They are looking for business to place students for Auto Collision and Repair, Automotive Technology, Building Construction, Computer Networking, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Electrical Occupations, Emergency and Protective Services, Health Assistant, Heavy Equipment Operation, Precision Machining and Welding. The property on Portal Road is still in progress for the CDL and Heavy Equipment operation.

WGEA Representative

Jeanine Wilcox: In Chemistry, they are taking advantage of as much lab time as they can. Students will be starting their sixth lab this Friday. One of the labs the students already completed was to explore the difference between elements and compounds by sending electrical energy through water. The students observed gas molecules coming off tacks that had their tops resting on a battery and their ends submerged in water. All students noted that one of the test tubes was collecting twice as much gas as the other. By making connections with their previous knowledge and their observations, they drew the conclusion that water can be broken apart into the elements it is made up of, and a compound of water is written as H₂O because there is twice as much hydrogen present within a molecule of water than oxygen. **Mrs. Fedak** provided five monarch caterpillars to the Pre-K classroom for students to observe and learn about the life cycle of the insect. Child Development students supplied the food for the caterpillars and cleaned the habitat as needed. High School and Pre-K students were able to watch the caterpillars grow from tiny creatures to fat, three inch long larvae before they were ready to pupate. The class was able to join the Pre-K group outside to release two butterflies that had eclosed (pronounced ehclosed) the day prior. They are now on their way to Mexico. Child Development has begun work on an autumn display outside of the Pre-K classroom. Child Development students are crafting the components for the display and are hanging them up to prepare the area for student work. Pre-K activities will tie into the theme. The students will be creating an activity to go with each component for the Pre-K students to create. They will compose lesson plans and record the content for the Pre-K students to watch since they are currently unable to work in the Pre-K classroom due to COVID restrictions. Mrs. Fedak and the class would like to thank Mrs. Jenco and Mrs. Isiminger for their willingness to collaborate with the Child Development students, giving them the opportunity for hands-on learning activities. **Mrs. Berry-Sakai** has been going into the Third Grade classrooms where she has been able to "TACO bout the school counselor," and she also taught about self-esteem via the BOTVIN Life Skills curriculum. **Mrs. Hildreth's** Innovation Lab students have worked diligently on building the new CNC router for the makerspace. Students have been assembling each and every component of the machine from wheels to motors, and even the complete wiring system. Students hope to have the machine up and running next week to see the CNC router in action. With the help of Mrs. Ullom, Mrs. Hildreth was awarded an Innovation Grant from the I.U.1 to purchase the CNC router as well as supplies for students to complete various projects. **Matthew Rychtarsky** reported that the 2021 Pioneer Yearbook arrived and distribution of pre-sales is nearly complete. Only a few books are left unclaimed, with those being some of last year's graduates who have not picked them up yet. The limited amount of extra copies that were available have also sold out. The Publications class is looking forward to being able to dive into working on this year's book of memories once the Publisher is approved so we then have access to the online creation software. The WGEA thanked the Board for coming to a tentative agreement with the association on a new contract.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Melissa Gaso, Morris Township - She raised her concerns with students eating in the cafeteria being isolated from one another and their preference to eat all together in the classrooms instead. She questioned who set the quarantine plan and the Board responded that the Department of Health (DOH) set the plan. She asked about meeting more for reading intervention. She asked if West Greene was going to join in with other schools to file an injunction against the State for the mask mandate as Avella School District did this week. Chad Scott indicated that there has been no action taken by the School Board at this point.

Sheena Smith, Center Township - She stated the exemption form was revised to suit the recommendation of the Solicitor, Mr. Lucas and she further stated that local school boards have stood up to their solicitor by drafting their own forms. Chad Scott explained that the Solicitor provides the School Board with recommendations, and if the School Board chooses to follow those recommendations, it is the decision of the School Board not the Solicitor. Michael Hildreth concurred with Mr. Scott's remarks. She discussed the mandate order, and the Attorney General document that was created to avoid circumventing the rulemaking process; and that these documents should be set as voluntary standards. She indicated she emailed this 18 page document to the Board, and stated that the last few pages of the document were questions to ask the solicitor for opinions and advice. She stated that with the mask mandate, School Board Directors would still be covered under "sovereign immunity. The Board members received a notification that contradicts that statement. They will lose "sovereign immunity" and would be in violation of the law (Communicable Disease Act of 1929) if they do not impose this mandate. The PA Department of Education gave the School District's FAQ sheets indicating how the order is to be interpreted. She further stated that fighting the mandate in a court of law, you do not use recommendations and guidance, you use laws; and the children are facing child abuse and employees of the school are mandated to report child abuse.

PERSONNEL

1. **MOTION BY** Frye, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the job description for a Strength and Conditioning Coordinator.
VOTE: ALLAYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **MOTION BY** Inmon, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the childbearing leave request of Michelle Cross (English Language Arts Teacher) effective on or around October 15, 2021 through December 22, 2021, as per the professional contract.
VOTE: ALLAYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Inmon, to approve the Agreement between Behavioral Health Alliance of Rural Pennsylvania and Community Care Behavioral Health Organization of Pennsylvania and West Greene School District for behavioral health services, effective January 1, 2022.
VOTE: ALLAYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve the following individual as a substitute support worker for the 2021-2022 school year, pending receipt of the Act 168 Release form, physical examination, clearances and satisfactory results from a pre-employment drug test:
Brandi Ross, 732 Morford Road, Aleppo, PA 15310 (Secretary/Clerical Aide/Instructional Aide)
VOTE: ALLAYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

5. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the following individual as substitute teacher (emergency certification) for the 2021-2022 school year, pending approval from the Intermediate Unit 1, and satisfactory results from a pre-employment drug test:
Ashley Hornbeck, 287 East Finley Drive, West Finley, PA 15377
Dawn Higinbotham, P.O. Box 2, 234 Creek Road, Merrittstown, PA 15463
Alexander Belmonte, 1368 Hopewell Ridge Road, Sycamore, PA 15364
VOTE: ALLAYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to post and/or advertise, if necessary, for an NHS Sponsor.
VOTE: ALLAYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve Laura Walters as an unpaid, volunteer advisor for the Special Education program retroactive to the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.
VOTE: ALLAYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

8. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Scott, to approve the following individuals as curriculum leaders for the 2021-2022 school year at a stipend of \$40 per hour (after school):

Timothy Barnes - STEM
 Leeann Danley - Interventionist
 Jennifer Gilbert - Math
 Kayla Hildreth - STEM
 Marla Patton - Primary Elementary
 Melissa Ullom - HS ELA
 Karlie Wright - Vo-Ag
 Jeanine Wilcox - Science
 Shelly Richardson - Intermediate (3-6)

Discussion: Maximum of two hours per week and paid through the RTL Grant.

VOTE: 5 YEA; 1 NAY (Coss); 1 ABSTAIN (Hildreth); 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

9. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, that the following Class Sponsors be approved, as per the professional contract:

Class of 2022 Sponsor - Jennifer Gilbert

Class of 2024 Sponsor - Andrea Fedak

Class of 2025 Sponsor - Kayla Hildreth

Class of 2026 Sponsor - Sheri Garlick

VOTE: 6 YEA; 0 NAY; 1 ABSTAIN (Hildreth); 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

10. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Inmon, that the following students from Waynesburg University be placed as Field/Student Teachers for the 2021-2022 school year, pending clearances:

Kira Durden - Mrs. Patton – 2nd Grade (Field only)
 Hannah Rose - 5th Grade (Field only)
 Hannah Cheplic - 5th Grade (Field only)
 Mykalyn Koot - 5th Grade (Field only)
 Holly Imperito - Dr. Kurt Jones, Biology (Student Teaching/Field)
 Haley Ferricks - Mrs. Jeanine Wilcox, Chemistry (Student Teaching/Field)

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

11. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to amend the Motion, adopted by the Board at the September 9, 2021 committee meeting, to adjust the wage rate from \$13.41 per hour to the per hour specified in the latest MOU in accordance with the ESPA CBA (\$16.27 per hour).

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

1. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve the following field trip request:

Andrea Funyak-Fedak	12-17-21	02-11-22	Ski Club Trip to WISP	\$ 0.00 } Paid by
	01-07-22	02-25-22	296 Marsh Hill Road	Students
	01-21-22	03-04-22	McHenry, MD	
	01-28-22	03-11-22		
	02-04-22			

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Frye, to approve the following field trip requests:

Karlie Wright	11-17-21	Dairy Cattle Judging CDE	\$895.50 } Budgeted
	12-09-21	Bacon Curing Lab at Heritage Craft Butchers Marianna, PA	\$970.00 } Budgeted

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

3. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve the following field trip requests:

Kim Cowden	10-19-21	Students Meet with California University	\$727.44 } Budgeted
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9th Grade Student Tour
Greene County CTC
Waynesburg, PA

\$357.57 } Budgeted

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

4. **MOTION BY** Hildreth, **SECOND BY** Inmon, to amend the District’s face covering exception form to reset the deadline to provide medical documentation to November 30, 2021.

VOTE: 5 YEA; 2 NAY (Coss, Gillispie); 0 ABSTAIN; 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

ATHLETICS

1. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the following field trip request:

Bill Simms

11-17-21

WPIAL Sportsmanship Summit
Heinz History Center
Pittsburgh, PA

\$ 67.50 } Budgeted

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Inmon, to approve extending the Baseball and Softball teams’ field trip request to The Ripken Experience, Myrtle Beach, SC by one day, with the field trip being held March 23 - 27, 2022.

VOTE: 6 YEA; 1 NAY (Scott); 0 ABSTAIN; 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

BUILDING & SITES

1. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve the Homecoming Dance be held at the Jacktown Fairgrounds on October 9, 2021, from 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM.

VOTE: 5 YEA; 2 NAY (Frye, Gillispie); 0 ABSTAIN; 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

2. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve the Use of Facilities Request of Jolene Headly to utilize the Elementary Gymnasium for Santa’s Secret Shop, December 6 - 10, 2021 (no liability insurance, fee waived).

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

3. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the Use of Facilities Request of Natasha Tharp for Adult Recreational Volleyball to utilize a gymnasium one evening per week during the 2021-2022 school year from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM based upon availability, (no liability insurance, fee waived).

VOTE: 6 YEA; 1 NAY (Frye); 0 ABSTAIN; 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

4. **MOTION BY** Coss, **SECOND BY** Inmon, to approve the Use of Facilities Request for the Center Township VFD to utilize the football field home bleachers or auditorium for a Fire Safety program for Pre K - 4 on October 8, 2021, from 12:30 PM - 2:15 PM (fee waived).

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

POLICY

1. **MOTION BY** Hildreth, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the second reading of the following policies:

- 103.1 Non Discrimination - Qualified Students with Disabilities
- 113 Special Education
- 113.1 Discipline of Students with Disabilities
- 113.2 Behavior Support
- 113.3 Screening and Evaluation for Students with Disabilities
- 113.4 Confidentiality of Special Education Students Information
- 113.5 Parental Status and Appointment of Surrogate parents for Children with Disabilities
- 114 Gifted Education

VOTE: 6 YEA; 1 NAY (Coss); 0 ABSTAIN; 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

BUDGET

1. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Inmon, that the following invoices be approved as submitted:

General Fund Paid List - \$ 24,827.49

General Fund Unpaid List - \$268,747.74

Cafeteria Fund Unpaid List - \$18,045.64

Capital Project Unpaid List - \$7,025.00

VOTE: 6 YEA; 1 NAY (Coss); 0 ABSTAIN; 2 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

14. **MOTION BY** Inmon, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve the purchase of Cyber Loss and Liability Insurance through Baily Insurance Agency at a cost of \$5,270.00.

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Board members discussed investigating the renting of portable restrooms with a soft hook-up and handicap accessibility for football games was discussed.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Melissa Gaso, Morris Township - Mrs. Gaso asked about the unsettled Teacher's contract and the possibility of them going on strike. Chad Scott stated that a strike is unlikely as there is a tentative agreement between the negotiation committees and it has yet to be voted upon by the teachers' union or the District.

Sheena Smith, Center Township - Mrs. Smith talked about section 5 of the Disease Prevention and Control Law of 1929 and how it did not give the Department of Health (DOH) the authority to issue control measures for viral outbreaks. Michael Hildreth cited the punishment section of that law and it applies to the Board members, and this direction coming from the Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units (PAIU). She asked if the cafeteria could be set up in a different way so the students did not feel isolated, and structure the Junior-Senior High School student's seating in the same manner as the Elementary Center.

ADJOURNMENT

- **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Hildreth, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 PM.

VOTE: ALLAYES

MOTION CARRIED.

Board President

Board Secretary