

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, August 24, 2017, at the West Greene Middle-Senior High School, 1352 Hargus Creek Road, Waynesburg, PA at 7:10 PM.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ROLL CALL**

Jan Berdine – P  
Robert Gilbert – P  
Mike Pikula – P

Butch Cassiday – P  
Kelly Loughman – P  
Chad Scott – P

Daniele Frye – P  
Timothy Mankey – P  
Lynn Wise – A

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve the agenda.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

- August 1, 2017 Negotiations
- August 10, 2017 Personnel
- August 24, 2017 Personnel

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve the **July 27, 2017**, regular meeting minutes.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES**

- **MOTION BY** Mankey, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to approve the **August 10, 2017** Policy, Athletic and Building & Sites, committee meeting minutes.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**REPORTS**

**Superintendent, Brian Jackson**

Much time has been spent with transportation due to the possible closures of roads and road conditions.

**Business Manager, Jessica Bissett**

Cypher and Cypher started the year-end audit for the 2016-2017 school year. All accounts were reconciled as of July 2017 and balances were provided to the board. West Greene is scheduled to receive the first payment for Basic Education funding on August 31, in the amount of around \$500,000.00. The Tax Collectors have started bringing in tax money for the 2017 tax year.

**Academic Director, Jed Hamberger**

Curriculum Leaders met on August 23, to map out curriculum for each department. School-Wide Positive Behavior Support came in for training during the Act 80 Days.

**Middle-Senior High School Principal, Scott Sakai**

Mr. Sakai provided the board members with a school assessment calendar. A greater emphasis will be placed on the assessments. CDT's or "Classroom Diagnostic Tools" will be introduced throughout the school year. These are very good indicators for state assessment performances. On-Hands benchmarks will also be introduced. Team planning time was reviewed by the Middle School teachers to address areas of need for the students based on the school assessments.

**Elementary Principal, Don Painter**

There are approximately 56 Kindergarten students registered. The Elementary Office has been very busy enrolling students at every grade level. Mr. Painter and Mr. Elsenheimer attended "Stuff the Bus" at Lions Club Park. Neuhaus Reading training was given during the Act 80 Days. The school bus evacuation drill has been scheduled for August 31. DIBELS assessments will begin early next week. Data from this assessment should be available by the September meeting.

**Director of Educational and Informational Technology, Bob Ward**

Mr. Ward is finalizing summer maintenance, updating equipment in classrooms and computer labs, including life-cycle management. Network server software and hardware upgrades have been completed. New district-wide antivirus software

was implemented and it positions West Greene toward a more mobile platform. The website is coming together and he is waiting on domain records. Tyler Barnhart, a senior at West Greene, worked with Mr. Ward during the summer through the Southwest Training Services program.

**Director of Food Service, Jim Elsenheimer**

The cafeteria staff came in during the Teacher In-Service and Act 80 Days. They also participated in the School Wide Positive Behavior Support training.

**Director of Facilities, John McDermitt**

Mr. McDermitt handed out an updated project list with the status updates. Most projects on the list were completed. The summer student work programs through Community Action Southwest and Southwest Training Services worked out very well. There were five students who participated. The Trane project is approximately 50 percent completed. The domestic hot water boilers are in and working. The football field project is approximately 95 percent completed. Seeding and straw will be laid around the football field.

**Athletic Director, Bill Simms**

Tri-fold schedules should be completed soon. The Varsity Football team is scheduled to play Bentworth at W & J Field on August 25.

**Andrews & Price Solicitor, Russell Lucas**

The board received the written Solicitor's report. Mr. Lucas will be glad to answer any questions the board may have.

**PSBA Liaison, Timothy Mankey**

In light of the State Budget not yet being passed, Governor Wolfe is pursuing a spending freeze. This would have a ripple effect on the schools. The revenue portion of the budget was passed without the Governor's signature.

**WGEA Representative, Jennifer Gilbert**

Over the last month, many of the teachers have been coming in to decorate their classrooms in preparation for the first day of school. Mr. Hughes' FFA students exhibited their animals at the Jacktown and Greene County Fairs. These projects represent their SAE (Supervised Agricultural Experience) projects. Mrs. Cowden, Guidance, is setting up presentations, programs and college visits for students. Picture day is scheduled for September 19. The Middle-Senior High School Library will participate in the United States Library of Congress surplus book acquisition program.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS – No response.**

**PERSONNEL**

1. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve the following substitute teacher (elementary certification) for the 2017-2018 school year, pending satisfactory results from a pre-employment drug test and receipt the PA Teaching Certificate, all other appropriate paperwork is on file:
  - Denell Cormany, 103 Country Lane, Waynesburg, PA 15370 (*Pre K – 8 Special Education*)**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
2. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve Leeann Danley, Title I Reading Teacher (temporary professional employee), to be paid on step 1, Master's level effective the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
3. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve Garrett Johnston, Title II Math Teacher (temporary professional employee), to be paid on step 1, Bachelor's + 24 level effective the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
4. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to eliminate two (2) K-12 Special Education Teaching positions, effective the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
5. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Cassiday, to eliminate two (2) 4-Hour/per day "Cafeteria Aide" positions.  
**VOTE: 7 YEA; 1 NAY (Scott); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
6. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to create, post and advertise, if necessary, for two (2) 5-Hour/per day "Other Cafeteria Worker" positions, effective the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year, as per the support contract.  
**VOTE: 7 YEA; 1 NAY (Scott); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT** **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Cassiday, to hire Tracy Cole as the School Nurse (temporary professional employee) effective the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year on step 1, Bachelor's level, as per the professional contract.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
8. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Gilbert, to approve childrearing leave for Bradley Trump, Social Studies Teacher, effective on or about August 24, 2017, for two weeks thereafter, as per the professional contract.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
9. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to hire Shawn Lohr as a 12-Month Custodian effective August 28, 2017, as per the support contract.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
10. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to deny grievance number S2017-1 as filed by the West Greene Educational Support Professional Association relating to retirement.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
11. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to deny grievance number P2017-1 as filed by the West Greene Educational Association relating to retirement.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
12. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Cassiday, to approve the following individual as a substitute support worker in the respective areas for the 2017-2018 school year, pending receipt of TB Test results, all other appropriate paperwork is on file:  
  - Tammy Brookover, 281 Wilden Hill Road, Mt. Morris, PA 15349 (*Secretary/Clerical Aide/ Instructional Aide*)**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
13. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve the following individuals as Curriculum Leaders in the subject area indicated for the 2017-2018 school year:  
  - High School English – Melissa Ullom
  - Middle School Math – Shelly Richardson
  - High School Math – Jennifer Gilbert
  - High School Science – Kurt Jones
  - Applied Academics (5-12) – Tim Barnes
  - Elementary – Tiffany Hart
  - Elementary Reading – Lorri Campbell-Cook
  - On Hands Software Lead – Katie Stewart
  - High School Social Studies – Frank Hunter**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
14. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Cassiday, to post for a Middle School English Curriculum Leader.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
15. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to post for any unfilled Curriculum Leader positions.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**

**EDUCATIONAL PLANNING**

1. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Cassiday, to approve the following field trip requests:
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|---------------|------------|--|------------|----------------|
| Jackie Slogan | 10-25-17   | History Competition<br>John Heinz History Center<br>Pittsburgh, PA | \$130.00   | } Gifted Acct. |
|               | TBD 4 days | Junior League Quiz Bowl<br>Penn State – Fayette Campus             | \$1,635.52 | } Budgeted     |
|               | TBD 4 days | Senior League Quiz Bowl<br>Penn State – Fayette Campus             | \$1,575.04 | } Budgeted     |
- VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
2. **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Cassiday, to approve the 2017-2018 Middle-Senior High School Student Handbook.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**

**ATHLETICS**

1. **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Gilbert, to approve Al Vallano as the 7 & 8 Grade Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach for the 2017-2018 sports season.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
2. **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to create a Junior High (7 & 8 Grade) Cross Country Club.  
**VOTE: 6 YEA; 2 NAY (Gilbert, Scott); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
3. **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to create, post and advertise, if necessary, for a Junior High (7 & 8 Grade) Cross Country Club Sponsor, as per the professional contract.  
**VOTE: 7 YEA; 1 NAY (Gilbert); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
4. **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to approve the PIAA Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport Agreement to enter into a 7 & 8 Grade Boys' Soccer team Co-op with Central Greene School District at a cost of \$50.00.  
*Discussion: It was discussed to add "contingent upon the solicitor's approval." The motion will be amended. No vote taken.*
  
5. **MOTION BY** Pikula, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to amend the motion to approve the PIAA Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport Agreement to enter into a 7 & 8 Grade Boys' Soccer team Co-op with Central Greene School District, contingent upon the solicitor's approval.  
*Discussion: West Greene will also have to pay a portion of the program costs. There is a \$50.00 fee associated with the application.*  
**VOTE: 7 YEA; 1 NAY (Scott); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT** **MOTION CARRIED.**

**BUILDING & SITES**

1. **MOTION BY** Gilbert, **SECOND BY** Frye, to accept the proposal from Fawley Music to install the football stadium sound system at a cost of \$4,571.99.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
2. **MOTION BY** Gilbert, **SECOND BY** Frye, to approve Humble Carpet's invoice no. 13160 (Change Order) in the amount of \$4,500.00 for the installation of 50 lbs. Ardex V1200 in Room No. 504 and Room No. 506.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
3. **MOTION BY** Gilbert, **SECOND BY** Frye, to approve Humble Carpet's invoice no. 13166 in the amount of \$6,500.00 for additional Ardex and labor costs associated with the Middle-Senior High School entrance.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
4. **MOTION BY** Gilbert, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to approve Change Order No. 9 related to the Kennedy Field Renovation Project (Custom Contracting) in the amount of \$26,575.00, an addition to the total adjusted contract project price which is \$490,747.50.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
5. **MOTION BY** Gilbert, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to approve Coldwell Banker Baily Real Estate as the realtor for the sale of Graysville Elementary School until November 1, 2017.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**

**POLICY**

1. **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve the first reading of the following policy as written:
  - Policy No. 008 Organizational Chart**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**

**TRANSPORTATION**

1. **MOTION BY** Frye, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to approve the list of drivers for the West Greene School District for the 2017-2018 school year, pending receipt of clearances:  
Petermann  
Deborah Ansell  
Leslie Koscheck  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
2. **MOTION BY** Frye, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to approve the temporary bus route changes for bus #1, #3 and #12 due to Delphene Road being closed and bus #7 and # 10 due to issues on West Run.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**

**BUDGET**

6. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to the following invoices be approved as submitted:  
General Fund paid list - \$ 11,727.43  
General Fund unpaid list - \$122,816.43  
Capital Project Fund unpaid list - \$ 47,190.00  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
7. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to the August 4, 2017, and August 18, 2017 payrolls in the amounts of \$203,780.54 and \$232,068.47 be approved as submitted.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
8. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to approve Maffei Strayer Furnishings, Inc. invoice no. 4593 in the amount of \$47,190.00 for delivery and installation of the Middle School Gymnasium Bleachers (2016-2017 budget).  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
9. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Scott, to approve Peacock-Keller & Ecker invoice no. 83630 in the amount of \$2,201.40 for general professional services.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
10. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve Peacock-Keller & Ecker invoice no. 83631 in the amount of \$9,794.50 for litigation services related to Liokareas Construction Company.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
11. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Pikula, to approve Andrews & Price, LLC invoice no. 78955 - General Non-Retainer in the amount of \$1,800.00.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
12. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Berdine, to approve Andrews & Price, LLC invoice no. 78954 - General Retainer in the amount of \$1,000.00.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
13. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve Andrews & Price, LLC invoice no. 78957 - Professional Services in the amount of \$1,712.50.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
14. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Gilbert, to approve Andrews & Price, LLC invoice no. 78956 - HDG and ACA Litigation in the amount of \$846.00  
**VOTE: 7 YEA; 1 NAY (Loughman); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT** **MOTION CARRIED.**
15. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve bit-x-bit, LLC invoice no. 14368 in the amount of \$1,148.44 for professional services related to Liokareas Construction.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
16. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Mankey, to approve the following pay application for the Kennedy Field Renovation Project (Stadium Renovations):  
• Pay Application No. 2 – Stadium Solutions, Inc. \$120,316.00  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
17. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to approve Durham School Services invoice no. 914779332 in the amount of \$585.93 for services rendered from August 1, 2017 through August 15, 2017.  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
18. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Loughman, approve the following pay application for the Kennedy Field Renovation Project:  
• Pay Application No. 5 John Stas – Custom Contracting \$96,560.38  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
19. **MOTION BY** Cassiday, **SECOND BY** Loughman, that the following invoices (received after August 17) be approved as submitted:  
General Fund unpaid list - \$ 51,428.36  
Cafeteria Fund unpaid list - \$ 1,254.54  
Capital Project Fund unpaid list - \$250,176.38  
**VOTE: ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**

20. **MOTION BY** Gilbert, **SECOND BY** Loughman, to transfer \$150,000 from the Capital Projects TMMA to Capital Projects.

**VOTE: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

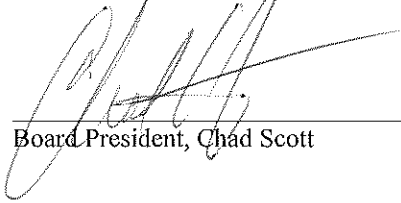
**HEARING OF CITIZENS** – No response

**ADJOURNMENT**

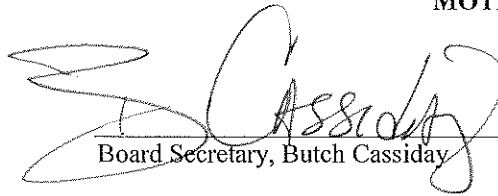
- **MOTION BY** Loughman, **SECOND BY** Cassidy, to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM.

**VOTE: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED.**



Board President, Chad Scott



Board Secretary, Butch Cassidy