

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, June 25, 2020**, at the West Greene Junior-Senior High School, 1352 Hargus Creek Road, Waynesburg, PA at 8:35 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Gillispie, to approve the agenda.

VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

- June 11, 2020 Personnel
- June 25, 2020 Personnel and School Safety

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **MOTION BY** Kent, **SECOND BY** Berdine, to approve the **May 21, 2020**, regular meeting minutes.

VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

- **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Gillispie, to approve the **June 11, 2020**, Educational Planning, Personnel, and Budget Committee meeting minutes.

VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

BOARD ACTION TAKEN AT THE JUNE 11, 2020, COMMITTEE MEETINGS AS A MATTER OF RECORD

PERSONNEL

MOTION BY Coss, **SECOND BY** Inmon, to approve the MOU between the West Greene School District and the West Greene Educational Support Professionals Association relating to Lorie Hildreth's pay rate until the 192-Day Clerical Aide position begins.

VOTE: ALL AYES.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY Coss, **SECOND BY** Frye, to accept the resignation of Katie Stewart, Foreign Language/Art Teacher effective July 9, 2020, with regret.

VOTE: ALL AYES.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY Coss, **SECOND BY** Inmon, to post and advertise if necessary for a Foreign Language/Art Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year, as per the professional contract.

VOTE: ALL AYES.

MOTION CARRIED.

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

MOTION BY Frye, **SECOND BY** Coss, to approve the revised West Greene School District Health and Safety Reopening School Plan.

VOTE: ALL AYES.

MOTION CARRIED.

TRANSPORTATION

MOTION BY Coss, **SECOND BY** Inmon, to reopen the bidding process for day-to-day student transportation.

VOTE: ALL AYES.

MOTION CARRIED.

BUILDING & SITES

MOTION BY Hildreth, **SECOND BY** Gillispie, to move forward with the purchase of a digital (4 panel) sign from John Blakely Signs, West Mifflin, PA at a cost of \$14,100.00 to update the existing marquee.

VOTE: ALL AYES - MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS

Brian Jackson, Superintendent

Mr. Jackson commended the Administration for their work since March. It was a team effort. They pulled things together quickly, made plan after plan and he wanted to recognize their work and let them know how much he appreciated it.

Jessica Bissett, Business Manager

She reported that she is continuing to work on the budget for the 2020-2021 school year and still finalizing the 2019-2020 fiscal year and preparing for the audit in the fall. All accounts are budgeted as of May 2020.

Eric Gaydos, Academic Director

Mr. Gaydos announced that the West Greene School District has been awarded a \$50,000 grant for "Reimaging STEAM Education in a Rural School District." He thanked Melissa Ullom, Karlie Wright, Tim Barnes, Brian Jackson, The Community Foundation of Greene County and the EQT Foundation's Ellen Ross. West Greene is now a Project Lead the Way School District, due to a \$30,000 competitive grant from Chevron. Mrs. Hildreth will be spearheading the change in curriculum. The PLTW Gateway Curriculum will cover specific courses for 7th and 8th Grade students over the next two years. The PLTW will be expanded into the high school in the coming years. This fits perfectly with the new STEM/STEAM renovation. Twelve students enrolled in the Case Western Reserve Reading and Writing Summer Program. The PDE released guidance regarding the reopening plan of schools with three different opening scenarios: Traditional, Google Classroom Cyber or hybrid of both. The West Greene Administration is working towards developing an informational packet for all families. The District's Health and Safety Plan has been established.

Jared Edgreen, School Police Officer

Builders Hardware is currently installing new hallway, cafeteria and Junior High Gym doors to meet the best practices for safety and security. He completed continuing education classes prescribed for School Police Officers through the Municipal Police Officers Education and Training Commission. He and the Administration have received training from Siemens on the new security system that will be going "live" soon. He has compiled the 2019-2020 Act 44 Safety and Security Board Report.

Scott Sakai, Junior-Senior High School Principal

Mr. Sakai has been working with Mrs. Garlick and Mrs. Fedak to finalize Prom Planning at Lakeview Resort in Morgantown, WV. Attendees must purchase a ticket at \$40 per person. Monitoring will continue for both Pennsylvania and West Virginia for COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions. The West Greene FFA will be holding their end of year banquet on June 30, 2020 at 6:30 PM at Valley View Farms. The venue will be following all state guidelines for COVID-19. He thanked Mrs. Wright and the FFA members for all of their efforts in planning this event. He thanked everyone who assisted in the planning and execution of the 2020 Commencement Ceremony. A special experience was able to be provided for the Seniors.

Bob Ward, Director of Educational and Informational Technology

The District will be moving to a 1:1 environment for the students. The equipment has begun to come in and is being staged in the technology area. The Wilson Group (LCD interactive displays) should have installation completed before the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. A plan is being devised for the dissemination of the equipment for the students.

Don Painter, Elementary Principal,

There are 39 students registered for Kindergarten, screenings are scheduled for July 1. After registration, there will be a recognition for the Kindergarten students at staggered time, beginning at 1:00 PM.

Jim Elesenheimer, Director of Food Service

Food deliveries are continuing to the remote sites on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Approximately 60 - 70 students are being served at Junior-Senior High School location. At Wind Ridge and Graysville a combined total of 20 - 30. New Freeport is 60 - 65.

John McDermitt, Director of Facilities

The logging is 99 percent complete. The flag pole is up in the football field. The waterproofing project in the electric room began last week. The sanitation at the Elementary Center is almost completed. Thirty-five dispenser stations have been installed and 90,000 masks have been ordered.

Bill Simms, Athletic Director

Physicals were performed in the Nurse's Office on June 11, and 15. He thanked Laura Miller and Ginger Wise for assisting in the process. At the same time he tried distributing athletic award pins and certificates. He thanked John McDermitt, Sam Milliken and Brian Ross for beginning work on the temporary football practice field area. Equipment and sleds have been moved up to that area.

Greene County Career and WGEA Representative, Jan Berdine

Ms. Berdine reported that Brian Jackson is now the Superintendent on Record for the CTC for the next two years.

PSBA Liaison, Michael Hildreth

House Bill 2438 which deals with providing broadband infrastructure to under-served, rural areas passed the House and will allow electrical operatives to use their existing poles to deploy fiber lines with broadband. Some easements held by electric cooperatives do not permit them to attach fiber lines to those poles even though the members want this service. Legislation will allow electric cooperatives to use their existing infrastructure to help expand broadband access to rural Pennsylvania.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Buzz Walters, Center Township - Crouse's School House belongs to the Historical Society and they are choosing to give it up. The building would revert back to the family. He asked if the School District would consider taking over that piece of history. It is one of the founding schools of the West Greene School District. Mr. Scott indicated that if they could find a way to integrate it into the curriculum, that would provide a reason for obtaining the structure. The upkeep would need to be taken into consideration.

PERSONNEL

1. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve a three (3) year contract with John McDermitt, Director of Facilities, at a base salary of \$60,000.00, effective July 1, 2020, conditioned on execution of the agreement with John McDermitt.
VOTE: ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**
2. **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Kent, to approve Lorie Hildreth as a substitute Secretary/Clerical Aide for the summer months of July and August 2020.
VOTE: 7 YEA; 0 NAY; 1 ABSTAIN (Hildreth); 1 ABSENT **MOTION CARRIED.**
3. **MOTION BY** Berdine, **SECOND BY** Gillispie, to post and advertise, if necessary for a 12-Month Secretary/Clerical Aide position, as per the support contract.
VOTE: ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

ITEMS OF INFORMATION:

1. Chastity Whitlatch successfully bid into the Third Grade Teaching position.
2. Lorie Hildreth successfully bid into the 192-Day Clerical Aide assigned transportation.
3. The following employees acquired tenure at the end of the 2019-2020 school year:
 - Tracy Cole
 - Leann Danley

ATHLETICS

1. **MOTION BY** Inmon, **SECOND BY** Berdine, to approve the West Greene Sports Re-entry Plan Documents as submitted and to be reviewed again by June 30, 2021:
 - Resocialization of Sports Recommendations
 - Participation Waiver for Communicable Diseases Including COVID-19**VOTE ALL AYES** **MOTION CARRIED.**
2. **MOTION BY** Inmon, **SECOND BY** Kent, to approve the athletic field trip request of Bill Simms for the Girls' Softball team to attend The Ripken Experience at Myrtle Beach, SC, on either March 25 - 28, 2021, or on April 1 - 4, 2021, at a cost of \$390.00 (budgeted).
VOTE ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**
3. **MOTION BY** Inmon, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to accept the resignation of Luke Kiger, Junior High Wrestling Coach, effective immediately.
VOTE ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**
4. **MOTION BY** Inmon, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to post and advertise, if necessary for a Head Junior High Wrestling Coach and an Assistant Junior High Wrestling Coach, as per the professional contract.
VOTE ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

BUILDING & SITES

1. **MOTION BY** Hildreth, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the Use of Facilities Request from Luke Kiger to utilize the Center Township/High School Baseball Field from July 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020 for 14-U Baseball, proof of liability insurance on file, (Type-A organization, fee waived).
VOTE ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **MOTION BY** Hildreth, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the following Change Orders related to the STEM Renovation as presented by Doody Engineering:

WGS-1-GC Credit to eliminate bulkheads in corridors	(\$58,263.00)
WGS-2-GC Credit for Office Trailer	(\$ 2,377.00)
WGS-3-GC Credit for Porta Johns	(\$ 1,499.00)
WGS-4-GC Credit for Revising Openings for Security Area	(\$ 1,670.00)

WGS-5-GC Change Orders related to Asbestos Abatement Work:

1. Abate 14 additional fittings in Corridor D-100	\$ 742.00
2. Abate additional Transit Tops	\$ 726.00
3. Removal of discovered green tile and mastic	\$ 1,529.00
4. Removal of Asbestos Containing Material	\$ 8,667.00
5. Abate ACM fittings in Gang Restrooms	\$ 3,858.00
6. Additional Costs to Repair to Subfloor, etc.	\$15,370.00
7. Credit Adjustment for ACM Floor leveling work	(\$25,800.00)

WGS-6-GC Construct additional new wall etc. D-Wing \$ 8,223.00

WGS-7-GC Construct new Bulkhead in Biology Room \$ 1,631.00

VOTE ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

TRANSPORTATION

1. **MOTION BY** Crouse, **SECOND BY** Kent, to approve the Agreement between West Greene School District and Petermann for a five (5) year term beginning with the 2020-2021 school year and ending with the 2024-2025 school year to provide day-to-day student transportation services, subject to final review and approval by the District Solicitor, with no substantial changes.

VOTE: YEA 7; NAY 0; 1 ABSTAIN (Frye); 1 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

BUDGET

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

General Fund Paid List -	\$ 19,677.34
General Fund Unpaid List -	\$157,016.46
Capital Projects Unpaid List -	\$ 99,536.92
Cafeteria Fund Unpaid List -	\$ 6,622.68

VOTE ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Crouse, that the following payrolls be approved as submitted:

May 22, 2020 -	\$268,177.57
June 5, 2020 -	\$383,550.58
June 19, 2020 -	\$204,116.83

VOTE ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED.

3. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the following motions as listed:

- Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution for real estate tax deduction in the amount of \$92.13.
- Transfer of \$2,000,000 from the General Fund TMMA to the General Fund.
- Transfer of \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Lunch Fund Account.
- Meal Service Agreement between the West Greene School District and BLUEPRINTS regarding meal service for the Pre-K children during the 2020-2021 school year.
- Insurance renewal package through CM Regent for the 2020-2021 fiscal year in the amount of \$120,535.00.

VOTE: YEA 7; NAY 1 (Scott); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

4. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Kent, to approve the Greene County Career and Technology Center 2020-2021 Budget in the amount of \$3,174,364.43 with West Greene School District's contribution being \$390,050.05.

VOTE: YEA 7; NAY 1 (Gillispie); 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT

MOTION CARRIED.

5. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the West Greene School District's 2020-2021 final General Fund Budget in the amount of \$16,239,282.00 with the millage set at 19.96.
VOTE ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Crouse, to approve the following pay applications for the STEM Renovation:

- A.J. Demor & Sons, Inc. (HVAC Construction) Pay Application #1 - \$74,925.00
- Wheels Mechanical Cont. (Plumbing) Pay Application #1 - \$62,755.00
- MASSCON Inc. (General Construction) Pay Application #1 - \$174,502.26
- Doody Engineering (Construction Manager) invoice for May 2020 - \$16,000.00

VOTE: ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Hildreth, that the following invoices, received after June 18, 2020, be approved as submitted:

- General Fund unpaid list - \$75,590.60
- General Fund paid list - \$ 3,222.26
- Capital Projects unpaid list - \$ 7,050.00

VOTE ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

8. **MOTION BY** Gillispie, **SECOND BY** Kent, that the following funds be transferred as listed:

- Uncommit \$500,000 from the General Fund earmarked for Capital Projects
- Transfer \$500,000 from the General Fund to Capital Projects
- Commit \$1,000,000 of the General Fund to Capital Projects

VOTE ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**

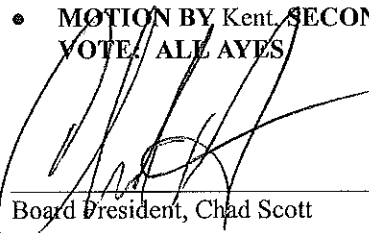
HEARING OF CITIZENS

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING


1. **MOTION BY** , **SECOND BY** Hildreth, to approve the West Greene School District Health and Safety Reopening School Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

● **MOTION BY** Kent, **SECOND BY** Gillispie, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 PM.
VOTE: ALL AYES **MOTION CARRIED.**



Board President, Chad Scott



Board Secretary, Ryan Crouse