

**WYOMING VALLEY WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AGENDA  
REGULAR SEPTEMBER MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2021 – MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**MASKS ARE MANDATED**

**AMENDED AGENDA**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOLLOWED BY SALUTE TO THE FLAG
3. APPROVE MINUTES: **Regular August 11, 2021 Meeting**
4. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS
5. **STATEMENTS FROM INTERESTED CITIZENS:** Citizens addressing the Board are asked to state their name and town of residence in accordance with Board Policy #903 (copy available) Statements are limited to three minutes.
6. **GENERAL RECOMMENDED ACTION**
  - A. **RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR ACTION:**
    1. Approve Agreement with **Children's Service Center Partial Hospitalization Program** and Wyoming Valley West School District for services for the 2021/2022 school year, as presented.
    2. Approve **Pennsylvania State Veterans' Commission** for Real Estate Tax Exemption to the following, as presented:
      - Scott J. Saldukas
      - Nelson E. Colon
      - Michael R. Garrahan
    3. Approve updated **Health and Safety Plan** for the 2021/2022 school year, as presented.
    4. Approve lease with **HP Financial** for the purchase of 150 laptop computers, as presented.
    5. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Wyoming Valley West School District and the **Foster Grandparent Program**, August 1, 2021-March 31, 2022, as presented.
    6. Approve Agreement between Wyoming Valley West School District and **Graham Academy** for the 2021/2022 school year, as presented.
    7. Approve Memorandum of Understanding for COVID-19 Testing Program, with parental consent, between Wyoming Valley West School District and **Education Plus Health (EPH)**, as presented.
    8. Approve Contract with **Bayada Home Health Care, Inc.** and Wyoming Valley West School District, as presented.  
*Amended Items to Agenda:*
    9. Motion was made by Thomas Pieczynski, seconded by Brian Dubaskas to:  
Approve consideration of proposed tax assessment appeal settlement stipulation – Wyoming Valley West School District v Joe Amato Ventures, LLC, Docket No. 2015-13000 and 2015-13001.  
ROLL CALL: Cussatt, Dubaskas, Dussinger, Evans, Kamus, Mazur, Pieczynski, and Usavage voting yes. Mr. Fender was absent.  
Motion was made by Thomas Pieczynski, seconded by Gary Evans to:
    10. Increase Kingston Police Department pay at WWV football games from \$40.00/hr to \$50.00/hr.  
ROLL CALL: Cussatt, Dubaskas, Dussinger, Evans, Kamus, Mazur, Pieczynski, and Usavage voting yes. Mr. Fender was absent.

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7. **STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

A. **RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR ACTION:**

1. Approve Addition to the **Substitute List**: Kandyss Sutphen and Amber Scalzo
2. Approve requests for **approved absences** – August 1 – August 31, 2021
3. Approve Medical Leave, Emp. #117384, first day of school, returning October 13, 2021.
4. Approve Medical Leave, Emp. #334335, first day of school until further notice.
5. Approve voluntary Medical Leave, Emp. #746147, until further notice.
6. Approve Medical Leave, Emp. #474727, first day of school & returning November 5, 2021.
7. Approve Medical Leave and Sabbatical Leave, Emp. #614989, Medical, Dec. 6, 2021 – January 21, 2022----Sabbatical, January 24, 2022-June 10, 2022.
8. Approve Medical Leave, Emp. #157148, Aug. 31, 2021, returning October 4, 2021.
9. Approve FMLA, Emp. #157793, last day October 1, 2021 – returning TBD.
10. Approve Medical Leave, Emp. #993518, August 17, 2021 – returning TBD.
11. Approve unpaid medical leave of absence, Emp. #413952, effective August 17, 2021.
12. Appoint recommended candidate for Middle School Assistant Principal, **Jeffrey DeRocco**, effective September 23, 2021, \$65,000.
13. Appoint recommended candidate for Middle School Art Teacher, **Andrea Visneski**, effective September 23, 2021, Step 1-B, \$45,500.
14. Appoint the following *Elementary Teacher Mentors* for 2021/2022:

<u>New Teacher</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Sarah Gifoli – <i>State Street</i>	Lisa Senchak
Kathy Butwin – <i>State Street</i>	Nettie Oakschunas
15. Approve **Professional Contract Status** (Tenure) for the following teachers:
  - Callie Berryman
  - Casandra Cerulli
  - Jessica DePhillips
  - Laura Ferraro
  - Jonathon Kamor
  - Nicole Ritts
  - Courtney Thomas
  - Maura Tochelli
16. Appoint the following **new hires**:
  - ❖ **Donna Guravich**-cleaning person, Dana Street, \$10/hr, effective September 7, 2021
  - ❖ **Karen Ostopick**-cleaning person, Dana Street, \$10/hr, effective September 7, 2021
  - ❖ **Jacquelyn Sitnick**- cleaning person, Dana Street, \$10/hr, effective August 26, 2021
  - ❖ **Natalya Krasnova**-cleaning person, Dana Street, \$10/hr, effective August 30, 2021
  - ❖ **Jahmekah Chamberlain**-cleaning person, HS, \$10/hr, effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Angela Iveson**-Computer Aide, Chester St./Third Ave., \$10.50/hr, eff. Aug. 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Linda Accurso**-Autistic Support Aide, Schuyler Ave., \$12/hr, effective Aug. 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Richard Harned**-Gen.Duty/Attendance Aide, State St, \$10.50/hr, eff. Aug. 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Jamie Bartoo**-Emotional Support Class, State St., \$12/hr, effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Jotara Holmes**-Emotional Support Class, State St., \$12/hr, effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Cynthia Pelletier**-Sub. Aide/Itinerant, \$10.50/hr, effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Katherine Dyanick** – cleaning person, Dana St., \$10.00/hr, effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Christina Reynolds**- PCA, Chester Street, \$12.00/hr, effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Mia Miller** – Learning Support Aide, Dana Street, \$10.50/hr, effective Aug. 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Daniel Bachman** – cleaning person, Dana Street, \$10.00/hr. effective Sept. 1, 2021
  - ❖ **Daniella DeAngelo** – cleaning person, Dana Street, \$10.00/hr. effective Sept. 7, 2021

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- ❖ **Susan Bell** – PCA, Chester Street Elem. \$12.00/hr, effective September 7, 2021
  - ❖ **Kwamasia Cunningham** – Aide, State Street, \$10.50/hr effective September 3, 2021
  - ❖ **Mayra Lorilla** – Life Skills Aide, Schuyler Ave., \$12.00/hr effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Harriet Swartz** – cleaning person, Dana Street, \$10.00/hr. effective Sept. 14, 2021
  - ❖ **Tammy Keefe** – cleaning person, State St. \$10.00/hr effective September 27, 2021
  - ❖ **Nerissa Lang** – E-Support Aide, State Street, \$12.00/hr effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Renee Kayden** – PCA/State Street, \$12.00/hr effective September 13, 2021
  - ❖ **Danielle Ishman** – PCA/Middle School, \$12/hr effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Qiana Richardson** – Autistic Support/State Street, \$12.00/hr effective Sept. 13, 2021
  - ❖ **Katrina Fuller** – Life Skills/Schuyler Ave., \$12.00/hr effective September 27, 2021
17. Approve the following **transfer of positions**:
- ❖ **Kristine Matello** – Computer Aide, State St. K-2 from General Duty Aide, State St., \$10.50/hr effective August 31, 2021
  - ❖ **Fritzy Ortiz** – General Duty Office Aide/Dana Street, from Classroom Aide/State St. \$10.50/hr effective August 31, 2021
18. Accept the following **Resignations**:
- **Cynthia Westerholm** – *Due Retirement*, LS Aide/State Street, effective August 23, 2021
  - **Margaret Taylor Brandt** – PCA/State Street, effective August 23, 2021
  - **Johanna Cuevas** – Aide/State Street, effective August 30, 2021
  - **Nicaya Smith** – Autistic Support Aide/Schuyler Ave., effective September 10, 2021
19. Approve stipend of \$1,204 for implementing **GIEP requirements** for the following *High School* teachers for the **2020/2021 school year**:
- Tom Griffith
  - Steve Klem
  - Ed Groth
  - Kristen Evans
  - Chuck Potter
  - Doug Shook
20. Approve the following **coaching recommendations** for the Fall 2021 season:
- |                                       |                  |        |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--------|
| <u>Cross Country (Boys and Girls)</u> |                  |        |
| Assistant 7-9                         | Elizabeth Kane   | \$1886 |
| Assistant 7-9                         | Ashley Temarantz | \$1886 |
21. Appoint **Joseph Rodriguez** as Trustee and **David Tosh** as Alternate to the Health Trust, effective immediately.

## 8. **FINANCE RECOMMENDED ACTION**

### A. **RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR ACTION:**

1. Accept and approve the following as presented: **Bills for Payment, Finance Manager's Reports, and Treasurer's Report.**

## 9. **BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS: **OCTOBER 13, 2021, 7:00 PM, WORK SESSION**  
 BOARD MEETING TO FOLLOW  
 MEETINGS TO BE HELD AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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