

## SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

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Wyoming Valley West School District

Interpreting  
January 15, 2025

### REGULAR JANUARY BOARD MEETING – January 15, 2025

#### Amended Item on Agenda:

Motion made by Dubaskas, seconded by McGinley to **Table Item #25** under General Recommended Action.

**Roll Call:** Wilson, Dubaskas, Hardwick, Keating, McGinley, Perfetto, and Kobusky voting yes; Kamus voting no; Cussatt was absent. (7 yes; 1 no; 1 absent) **Motion Carried.**

Approved **Real Estate Property Tax Exemption** through the Pennsylvania State Veterans' Commission to the following, as presented:

- ❖ Walter Cheek
- ❖ Leo Hornbaker

Adopted **Policy 601**, Fiscal Objectives. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 602**, Budget Planning. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 603**, Budget Preparation. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 604**, Budget Adoption. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 605**, Tax Levy. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 606**, Tax Collection. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 607**, Tuition Income. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 608**, Bank Accounts. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 609**, Investment of District Funds. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 610**, Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 611**, Purchases Budgeted. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 612**, Purchases Not Budgeted. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 613**, Cooperative Purchasing. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 614**, Payroll Authorization. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 615**, Payroll Deductions. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 616**, Payment of Bills. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 617**, Petty Cash. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 618**, Student Activity Funds. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 619**, District Audit. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 620**, Fund Balance. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 621**, Local Taxpayer Bill of Rights. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 622**, GASB Statement 34. (First Reading)  
Adopted **Policy 625**, Procurement Cards. (First Reading)

**(TABLED)** Approve PIAA **Cooperative Agreement** between Wyoming Seminary and Wyoming Valley West School District in the sport of Junior High Baseball, for the next two-year cycle starting this spring season.

Approved Agreement for contracted Speech Pathologist between **Speech Innovations, LLC** and Wyoming Valley West School District, effective January 9, 2025.

Approved Agreement for contracted School Psychologist between **Apple Tree Educational Associates, LLC** and Wyoming Valley West School District, effective January 1, 2025.

Approved **Invoice #4182-12** for **SitelogIQ** in the amount of \$154,986 as presented.

Approved **Invoice #7253-06** for **SitelogIQ** in the amount of \$7,535 as presented.

Approved Agreement between **Government Consulting Strategies LLC** and Wyoming Valley West School District, to develop cost savings initiatives, effective February 1, 2025 – January 31, 2028.

Approved **excused absences** December 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024.

Appointed the following **new hires**:

- ❖ **Nevaeh Dupras** – Cleaner/State Street, \$13.50/hr. effective September 5, 2024.
- ❖ **Sadie Fuller** – Emotional Support Aide/State Street, \$13.50/hr. effective December 16, 2024.
- ❖ **Yesteila Loyo** – PCA/Middle School, \$13.50/hr. effective December 9, 2024.
- ❖ **Morgan Collura** – Cleaner/Middle School, \$13.50/hr. effective January 6, 2025.
- ❖ **Serenity Mims** – Cleaner/High School, \$13.50/hr. effective January 6, 2025.
- ❖ **Jessica Swartwood** – Cleaner/High School, \$13.50/hr. effective January 6, 2025.
- ❖ **Gladynette Hernandez** – Aide/Learning Support/Middle School, \$12.00/hr. effective January 7, 2025.
- ❖ **Logan Hummer Darling** – Cleaner/State Street, \$13.50/hr. effective November 20, 2024. (name correction)

Accepted the following **resignations**:

- ❖ **Amara Rodriguez** – Autistic Support Aide/High School, last day December 20, 2024.
- ❖ **Aniyah Shannon** – PCA/Middle School, last day December 13, 2024.
- ❖ **Randy Paredes-Gomez** – Cleaner/High School, last day December 19, 2024.
- ❖ **Jessica Lewis** – Cleaner/High School, last day December 31, 2024.

Approved stipend of \$1,280 for **GIEP** writing and implementation to the following *High School Teacher* for 2024/2025:

**Thomas Cunningham**

Accepted resignation, with regret, due retirement, **Karen Sebolka**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher, Chester Street, effective the last day of the 2024/2025 school year.

Accepted resignation, with regret, due retirement, **Janice McKennas**, Business Teacher, High School, effective the last day of the 2024/2025 school year.

Child-Bearing Leave, **Emp. #134295**, effective January 2, 2025; returning January 22, 2025.

Child-Bearing Leave, **Emp. #379443**, effective March 24, 2025; returning May 7, 2025.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #614617**, effective January 13, 2025; returning April 30, 2025.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #577529**, effective January 13, 2025; returning TBD.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #645251**, effective January 23, 2025; returning February 18, 2025.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #153552**, effective January 8, 2025; returning TBD.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #612947**, effective December 9, 2024; returning January 2, 2025.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #337697**, effective April 14, 2025; returning June 3, 2025.

Child-Bearing Leave, **Emp. #675875**, effective March 31, 2025; returning TBD.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #346156**, effective January 7, 2025; returning TBD.

Appointed recommended candidate, **Beth Cirilo**, Secretary/Purchasing Coordinator, Central Office, effective TBD, \$25,000.

Approved Resolution authorizing suspension without pay, **Emp. #418582**, effective immediately.

Medical Leave, **Emp. #256334**, effective January 8, 2025; returning TBD.

Approved **Professional Contract Status** (Tenure) to the following teacher:

- ❖ **Chloe Ruckle**

Appointed recommended candidate, **Jill Webb**, Special Education Teacher, State Street, effective TBD, \$51,000.

Accepted resignation, with regret, due retirement, **Thomas Griffith**, English Teacher, High School, effective the last day of the 2024/2025 school year.

Approved Resignation Agreement between the Wyoming Valley West Education Association, **Emp. #347122**, and the Wyoming Valley West School District, effective immediately.

Accepted resignation, with regret, due retirement, **Deborah Troy**, Personnel and Federal Programs Director, effective July 8, 2025.

Accepted resignation, with regret, due retirement, **David McDermott**, Utility, Durkee Street, effective April 16, 2025.

Accepted and approved the following as presented: **Bills for Payment, Finance Manager's Reports and Treasurer's Report.**

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

***February Work Session*** - Wednesday, February 5, 2025 - 7:00 PM

***Regular February Meeting*** - Wednesday, February 12, 2025 - 7:00 PM