

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL BOARD
ORGANIZATION MEETING – December 5, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. SALUTE TO FLAG

The West Chester Area School Board met for its annual Organization Meeting on Monday, December 5, 2022 in the Spellman Education Center, 782 Springdale Dr. Exton PA. Linda Cherashore, Board Secretary, called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and led the Salute to the Flag of the United States of America.

III. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Director Bevilacqua, Director Chester, Director Detre, Director Durnell, Director Fleming, Director Herrmann, Director Shaw, Director Tiernan.

Members Absent: Director Whomsley

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Public Comments on agenda items.

V. ELECTION OF TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Ms. Cherashore, Board Secretary, opened the floor for nominations for Temporary President for the purpose of electing a Board President for the coming year. Director Shaw nominated Director Bevilacqua for Temporary President. Seeing no further nominations, Board Secretary Cherashore asked and received no objection and declared the nominations closed.

On roll call vote to approve Director Bevilacqua as Temporary President, all members present voted “aye.” Motion carried 8-0.

VI. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT FOR ONE YEAR

Director Bevilacqua, Temporary President, opened the floor for nominations for Board President to serve for one year until the Organization Meeting, December 4, 2023. Director Durnell nominated Director Tiernan. Seeing no further nominations, Director Bevilacqua asked and received no objection and declared the nominations closed.

On roll call vote to approve Director Tiernan as President for the coming year, all members present voted “aye.” Motion carried 8-0.

VII. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR ONE YEAR

Director Bevilacqua, Temporary President, opened the floor for nominations for Board Vice President to serve for one year until the Organization Meeting, December 4, 2023. Director Chester made a motion to nominate Director

Bevilacqua. Seeing no further nominations, Director Bevilacqua asked and received no objection and declared the nominations closed.

On roll call vote to approve Director Bevilacqua as Vice President for the coming year, all members present voted “aye.” Motion carried 8-0.

VIII. Appointment of Solicitor

It was moved by President Tiernan and seconded by Director Detre that the firm of Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees be retained as solicitor to the West Chester Area School District at a rate structure of \$180/\$165 per hour, based on the experience of the lawyers, until the next Organization Meeting of the Board in December 2023.

On roll call vote, all members present voted “aye.” Motion carried 8-0.

IX. APPROVAL OF 2023 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

2023 Meeting Dates	Pupil Services Committee	Education Committee	Property & Finance Committee	Monthly Board Meeting
Monday, January 9	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Tuesday , January 17			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, JANUARY 23				7:00 PM
Monday, February 13	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Tuesday , February 21			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27				7:00 PM
Monday, March 13	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Monday, March 20			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, MARCH 27				7:00 PM
Tuesday, APRIL 11	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Monday, April 17			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, APRIL 24				7:00 PM
Monday, May 8	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Monday, May 15			6:30 PM	
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24				7:00 PM
Monday, June 12	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Tuesday, June 20			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, JUNE 26				7:00 PM
MONDAY, JULY 24				7:00 PM
Monday, August 14	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Monday, August 21			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, AUGUST 28				7:00 PM
Monday, September 11	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Monday, September 18			6:30 PM	
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26				7:00 PM

2023 Meeting Dates	Pupil Services Committee	Education Committee	Property & Finance Committee	Monthly Board Meeting
Monday, October 9	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Monday, October 16			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23				7:00 PM
Monday, November 13	6:30 PM	7:00 PM		
Monday, November 20			6:30 PM	
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27				7:00 PM
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4 - ANNUAL ORGANIZATION				7:00 PM

Note: Personnel Committee meets as needed and will be duly advertised.

It was moved by Director Chester and seconded by Vice President Bevilacqua to approve the 2023 Board Meeting Schedule as listed.

On roll call vote, all members present voted “aye.” Motion carried 8-0.

X. RE-ADOPTION OF SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES, RULES & REGULATIONS

It was moved by Director Fleming and seconded by Director Durnell that the School Board Policies, Rules and Regulations presently in effect be readopted until the next Organization Meeting of the board in December 2023.

On roll call vote, all members present voted “aye.” Motion carried 8-0.

XI. ADOPTION OF STANDING COMMITTEES

It was moved by Director Detre and seconded by Director Herrmann that the Board adopt the following “Standing Committees”: Education, Pupil Services, Property & Finance, and Personnel.

On roll call vote, all members present voted “aye.” Motion carried 8-0.

XII. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD COMMITTEES

President Tiernan announced the following appointments to the committees:

Education Committee: Directors Chester, Detre, Durnell, Shaw
Director Shaw, Chair

Pupil Services Committee: Directors Chester, Detre, Durnell, Shaw
Director Chester, Chair

Property & Finance Committee: Vice President Bevilacqua, Directors Fleming, Herrmann, Whomsley
Vice President Bevilacqua, Chair

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Personnel Committee: Vice President Bevilacqua, Directors Fleming, Herrmann, Whomsley
Director Herrmann, Chair

XIII. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS

There were no Comments from Residents.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT: On motion by Director Detre and seconded by Director Shaw, on voice vote, agreed to adjourn at 7:18 pm.

Board Secretary