

**West Chester Area School District Board Meeting Highlights**  
**Meeting Held February 27, 2023**  
**Summary of Action Taken:**

The West Chester Area School Board held its monthly meeting on February 27, 2023 at the Spellman Education Center. Before calling the meeting to order, Board President Tiernan asked for a moment of silence in memory of John Bell, Fugett MS custodian who recently passed away. Board President called the meeting to order and Gracie and Tommy Haws of Stetson Middle School led the public in the pledge of allegiance. The board heard reports from high school Board Representatives.

In addition to its regularly scheduled business, the board approved the following actions:

1. **Approval of Before and After School Services Agreement:** The board approved a School Age Child Care Services Agreement with A Child's Place.
2. **Approval of 2023-24 E-Rate Bid Awards:** The board approved the following bids to Optiv Security:

Award Amount	Description
\$249,379	HPE-Aruba Switchgear
\$191,877	HPE-Aruba Wireless Access Points and mounting hardware
\$441,246	Combined Total for Both Bids

3. **Approval of 2022-23 Capital Reserve Project Award** - The board approved the following bid award:

Project	Project Description	Vendor	2022/23 Project Budget Amount	Award
G-132	Install Fiber-optic Cable in Stadium at East	Excel Communications	\$85,000	\$14,460

4. **Approval of Additional 2022-23 Capital Reserve Projects** - The board approved the following two projects:

Project Description	2022/23 Project Budget Amount
Install Fiber-optic Cable in Stadium at Rustin	\$34,000
Install Fiber-optic Cable in Stadium at Henderson	\$36,540

5. **Approval of 2023-24 Capital Reserve Project Awards:** The board approved the following bid awards:

Project	Project Description	Vendor	2023/24 Project Budget Amount	Award
G-145	District-wide Fencing; Fern Hill	Fence-Sense	\$75,000	\$8,500
G-157	Upgrade PA/ Intercom; Stetson	Intellicom Systems Inc.	\$55,000	37,850
G-158	Upgrade PA/ Intercom; Peirce	Intellicom Systems Inc.	\$55,000	37,850

6. **Approval of 2023-24 Technology Equipment Budget** - The board approved the 2023-24 Technology Equipment Budget in the amount of \$4,557,591.

- 7. Approval of Final Payment to William H. Clinger Corporation, East Goshen Elementary School Project**– The Board approved the Final Payment of \$500,000 to William H. Clinger Corporation in Accordance with terms reached during January 31, 2023 Mediation Session.
- 8. Approval of Cheryl Newton-Woods** – The Board approved Cheryl Newton-Woods as Interim Assistant Superintendent.
- 9. Approval of Agreement with R.L. Copeland Associates, LLC**– The Board approved the Independent Engagement Agreement with R.L. Copeland Associates, LLC.
- 10. Approval of Agreement with Dr. Una Martin Consulting LLC.** – The Board approved the Independent Contractor Agreement with Dr. Una Martin Consulting, LLC to provide services as Acting Director of Equity.

**11. The board approved the following retirements:**

- Eric Albert, HVAC Supervisor at Warehouse, effective 6/2/23. 22 years of service.
- Dr. Terri-Lynne Alston, Principal at Exton ES, effective 7/3/23. 24 years of service.
- Patricia Barr, 1.0 Special Education Liaison at Spellman Education Center, effective the last day of the 2022-2023 school year. 25 years of service.
- Donna Burgess, 1.0 Grade 3 Teacher at Hillsdale ES, effective the last day of the 2022-2023 school year. 30 years of service.
- Carol DeMarco, 1.0 School Counselor at Peirce MS, effective 10/4/23. 24 years of service.
- Thomas Hoesch, 1.0 Social Studies Teacher at Rustin HS, effective the last day of the 2022-2023 school year. 18 years of service.
- Kenneth McCormick, Athletic Director at Henderson HS, effective 7/3/23. 26 years of service.
- Mari Pitt, Secretary to the Principal at Starkweather ES, effective 4/11/23. 40.5 years of service.

**12. The Board approved the following policies/administrative guidelines for a first reading. They will appear on the March Board Meeting agenda for a second reading:**

Approval of Revised Policy 200 Enrollment of Students
Approval of New Policy 202 Eligibility of Nonresident Students
Approval of New Administrative Guideline 200AG4: Residency Investigation/ Disenrollment Procedures
Approval of Revised Policy 000 Board Policy/Procedure/ Administrative Regulations Guidelines
Approval of Revised Policy 003.1 Board-Superintendent Relations

**13. The Board approved the following policies/administrative guidelines for a second reading. They are now active.**

Approval of Revisions to Policy 251 Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care and Other Educational Instability (formerly known as Homeless Students)
Approval of Revisions to Policy 217 Graduation Requirements

President Tiernan announced that Director Shaw is resigning as a Director of the School Board effective February 28, 2023.

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**The next meeting is on Monday, March 27, 2023 - 7:00 pm**