

West Chester Area School District Board Meeting Highlights
Meeting Held Monday, April 25, 2022
Summary of Action Taken:

The West Chester Area School Board held its monthly meeting on Monday, April 25, 2022 in the Spellman Education Center. Mrs. Tiernan, Board President called the meeting to order and Koryn Myers and Sravya Tirumamidi of the Exton Elementary School led the public in the pledge of allegiance. The board heard reports from high school Board Representatives: Eleana Rudderow, East High School and Madison D'Ambro, Rustin High School.

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

- 1. Approval of final revised 2021-22 School Calendar** – The board approved the final 2021-22 calendar. The last student day is Friday, June 10 and the final teacher day is Tuesday, June 14.
- 2. Approval of annual agreement with Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams** – The board approved an agreement with Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams for fees, costs, and expenses for representation of the West Chester Area School District for 2022-23.
- 3. Approval of Pediatric Therapeutic Services Three-Year Contract** - The board approved the three-year contract with Pediatric Therapeutic Services to provide therapy services to the district.
- 4. Approval of annual contract of Heather Kumar, Wilson Reading Tutor-** The board approved the annual contract with Heather Kumar, Wilson Reading tutor.
- 5. Approval of revised Management Team Organizational Chart** – The Board approved a revision to the Management Team Organizational Chart that adds an English Language Arts Supervisor with a 7/1/2022 start date.
- 6. Approval of 2022-23 CCIU Core Budget** – The board approved the 2022-23 CCIU Core Service Budget for \$33,173,390.
- 7. Approval of 2022-23 Occupational Education Budget** – The Board approved the 2022-23 CCIU Occupational Education Budget for \$30,361,289.
- 8. Approval of Local Audit Firm** – The Board approved the local audit firm bid award for a three-year term to BBD, LLP for \$78,000.
- 9. Approval of Resolution to Adopt Proposed Final Budget for 2022-23** – The Board approved a proposed final budget for 2022-23 for \$297,085,135. This is not the final budget. The administration and Board will continue to work to reduce expenses prior to the final budget adoption on May 25. School code required the board to pass a preliminary final budget 30 days before adopting a budget. This proposed budget includes a 1.9% tax increase for Chester County residents (\$80) and a 4.6% increase for Delaware County residents (\$218).

10. In addition to its regularly scheduled personnel report action items, the board approved the following retirements:

- Mary Belczyk, Music Teacher at .5 Fern Hill ES/.5 Mary C. Howse ES, effective the last day of the 2021-2022 school year. 23 years of service.
- Mary Litzenberg, Music Teacher at Mary C. Howse ES, effective the last day of the 2021-2022 school year. 20 years of service.
- Dr. Christopher Lunardi, Assistant Principal at Rustin HS, effective 8/19/22. 20 years of service.
- Dr. Una Martin, English Teacher at Stetson MS, effective the last day of the 2021-2022 school year. 23 years of service.
- William McCauley, Social Studies Teacher at Fugett MS, effective the last day of the 2021-2022 school year. 33 years of service.
- Douglas McGillivray, Social Studies Teacher at Fugett MS, effective the last day of the 2021-2022 school year. 20 years of service.

11. The Board also approved the following administrative appointments:

- Dr. Melissa Kleiman from Supervisor of Special Education, Rustin Feeder Pattern, to Director of Pupil Services, effective July 1, 2022
- Jennifer Holstein, Supervisor of Special Education, East Feeder Pattern, effective TBD.
- Nicole Verbos from Autistic Support Teacher, Exton ES to Behavior Specialist Coordinator, effective August 22, 2022

12. The Board approved the following policies/administrative guidelines for a second reading and are now active:

- Revised Policy 815.5
- Revised Policy 903

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The next monthly board meeting is on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 - 7:00 pm