

WHITEHALL-COPLAY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 11, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**..... President Mr. Grim

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

3. **ATTENDANCE (ROLL CALL)**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the President, Mr. Grim.
Present were: Mrs. Abruzzi, Mr. Eberhart, Mrs. Gaugler,
Mrs. Koren, Mr. Leiner, Mr. Makhoul, Mr. Schafer and Mr. Taschler.
Also present were Dr. Hackett, Mr. Schiffert,
Mr. Malay and Attorney Sultanik.

4. **NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)**

A. Monday, August 28, 2017 at 4:15 p.m. for the discussion of a Special Education due process case and informational review of safety and security issues.

B. Monday, September 11, 2017 at 5:45 p.m. for discussion of personnel matters.

5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

A. The minutes of the August 14, 2017 School Board Meeting be approved as presented.

B. The minutes of the August 28, 2017 Education/Student Activities Committee, Finance/Personnel Committee and Operations/Transportation Committee meetings be approved as presented.

Moved: Mrs. Abruzzi; Seconded Mr. Leiner,
Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

6. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Safe Sports School Awards – Beth Oudin, M.Ed., LAT, ATC, CSCS/St. Luke’s

John Hauth, Sports Medicine Relations Manager of St. Lukes, thanked the School District for being safe and providing good sports medicine practices to our athletes. Aaron Boggs, Program Manager of St. Lukes, presented the Safe Sports School award to Robert Hartman, Athletic Director, and Sarah Barron, Athletic Trainer, on behalf of the Whitehall-Coplay School District.

B. Student Council Representative – Genesis Perez, President and Martin Labib, Vice President

Genesis noted that five student leaders went to a mini-THON leadership summit on August 4, along with two of their advisors. One Student Council member was sent to Boston for the national conference. Student Council hosted our summer workshop on August 10th where we had guest speaker Chris Seifert speak to us regarding goals for this year and how to improve our communication as a council. Council members greeted all faculty and students at the main entrance with a pen on the 1st day of school that stated our motto for the year -- Service with pride, lead with confidence, inspire to impact lives. Students also served as tour guides and helped to lead the games in the gym for freshmen orientation. We are busy getting ready for Homecoming. This year's theme is Hollywood. Bonfire will be held on Oct. 18, game on the 19th, and the dance on the 20th.

C. London Club Presentation – Mr. Krempasky and students

Seventeen members of the WHS London Club traveled with Mr. Krempasky to Germany, Italy, and Switzerland this past summer. Mr. Krempasky and the club thanked the School Board for sponsoring this trip and recognizing that these trips have been going on for nearly forty years expanding the horizons of our young learners. Individual students spoke about what places they liked the most and what they learned. They mentioned Venice, Lucerne, Munich, and the Dachua Concentration camp among other locations. They agreed that it was a great experience and again thanked the School Board for their support!

D. Thank You to St. John’s U.C.C. of Fullerton Congregation and Rev. Dr. Becky Beckwith for school supplies – Dr. Hackett

Dr. Hackett thanked St. John’s Pastor, Rev. Dr. Becky Beckwith and its outreach committee for their generous supply of backpacks and school supply donations for some of our less fortunate students within the district.

7. CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD

No formal correspondence.

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public participation.

9. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MATTERS

A. PSBA 2018 Election- President-Elect:

President calls for nominations for PSBA President-Elect.

Mr. Taschler nominates Otto W. Voit for **PSBA President-Elect**

MOTION by Mrs. Abruzzi SECONDED by Mr. Taschler
to close nominations.

Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

Candidates:

David Hutchinson, State College Area School District (Centre Co.)

Otto W. Voit, Muhlenberg School District (Berks Co.)

B. PSBA 2018 Election - Vice President:

President calls for nominations for PSBA Vice President.

Mr. Taschler nominates Eric Wolfgang for **PSBA Vice President**

MOTION by Mr. Taschler SECONDED by Mr. Schafer
to close nominations.

Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

Candidates:

Eric Wolfgang, Central York School District (York Co.)

Gary Michael Smedley, Carbondale Area School District (Lackawanna Co.)

C. PSBA 2018 Election- Treasurer:

To approve Mike Gossert Cumberland Valley School District (Cumberland Co.)
as Treasurer.

Moved: Mr. Taschler; Seconded Mr. Schafer,

Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

9. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MATTERS - continues

D. PSBA 2018 Insurance Trustees:

To approve the following as Trustees on the PSBA Insurance Trust Board.

Michael Faccinetto (Bethlehem Area SD), PSBA Vice President
(term ends December 31, 2020)

Marianne L. Neel (West Jefferson Hills SD), PSBA Past President
(term ends December 31, 2020)

A member school entity can vote for up to two individuals.

Moved: Mr. Taschler; Seconded Mr. Schafer,

Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

E. Approve Addendum Number Two to Agreement Dated June 13, 2016:

Approve Addendum Number Two to agreement dated June 13, 2016 between Board of Directors of Whitehall-Coplay School District and Dr. Lorie Hackett. (Attachment A)

Roll Call

Moved: Mr. Taschler; Seconded Mrs. Abruzzi,

Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

10. FISCAL REPORT

A. Treasurer's Report:

Accept the report of the Treasurer as follows: (Attachment B)

Balance as of 8/1/17	\$ 454,641.05
Receipts	\$29,771,485.43
Investments Matured	\$ <u>0</u>
Total Cash Available	\$30,226,126.48
Expenses	\$ 4,908,970.87
Funds Invested	\$22,700,000.00
Cash Balance as of 8/31/17	\$ 2,617,155.61

10. FISCAL REPORT- continued

B. Approve Bills and Salaries:

Approve the bills and salaries for the various funds. (Attachment C)

1. General Fund
2. Cafeteria Fund
3. Capital Projects Fund
4. Capital Reserve Fund

Moved: Mr. Leiner; Seconded Mr. Schafer,

Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

11. FINANCE COMMITTEE MATTERS

No Finance Committee matters.

12. EDUCATION/STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MATTERS

A. Approve Center for Humanistic Change, Inc. Agreement:

Approve the agreement between Center for Humanistic Change, Inc. and the Whitehall-Coplay School District for the 2017-2018 academic year:
(Attachment D)

B. Approve Adoption of Textbook:

Approve the adoption of the following High School textbook:

Foundations of Kinesiology, Studying Human Movement and Health 3rd Edition,
Kinesiology Books Publisher, 2018. \$4,131.15 (Concepts of Sport Science)

C. Approve Field Trip Requests:

Approve the request from Matthew Tanzos, band director for the High School, to travel to Citizens Bank Park, Philadelphia, PA to perform in a pre-game parade on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. Transportation provided by the district.

Approve the request from Matthew Tanzos, band director for the High School, to travel to West Chester East High School, West Chester, PA to perform in a Cavalcade of Bands competition on Saturday, September 30, 2017. Transportation provided by the district.

12. EDUCATION/STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MATTERS – continued

C. Approve Field Trip Requests:

Approve the request from Matthew Tanzos, band director for the High School, to travel to Hershey Park Stadium, Hershey, PA to perform in a Cavalcade of Bands competition – American Division Championships on Saturday, November 11, 2017. Transportation provided by the district.

D. Policy Revisions- Second Reading:

The following policies have been submitted as a second reading by the Education/Student Activities Committee and for final adoption: (Attachment E)

Section: Pupils
Title: Immunizations and Communicable Diseases
Number: 203

Section: Pupils
Title: Attendance
Number: 204

Section: Pupils
Title: Diabetes Managements
Number: 209.2

Roll Call

Moved: Mrs. Gaugler; Seconded Mr. Leiner,
Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

13. OPERATIONS/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MATTERS

No Operations/Transportation matters.

14. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Approve Resignations:

Approve the following resignations:

Denise Adorno, Cafeteria Monitor at the Middle School, effective August 13, 2017.

Donna Kleintop, Library Secretary at Zephyr Elementary School, effective August 16, 2017.

Lauren Michalik, Inclusion Teacher at the Middle School, effective August 18, 2017.

14. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - continued

A. Approved Resignations – continued:

Teresa Lengyel, Math Para - Educator at Zephyr Elementary School, effective August 22, 2017.

Andrew Moyer, Food Truck Driver, District Wide, effective August 22, 2017.

Rebecca Hoernle, Chemistry Teacher at the High School, effective August 29, 2017.

Rebecca Hoernle, co-advisor for the Class of 2019, High School, effective August 29, 2017.

Rebecca Hoernle, co-advisor for Science Olympiad, High School, effective August 29, 2017.

Timothy Schock, Security at the High School, effective September 5, 2017.

Melyssa Lentz, ESL Para at the High School, effective September 18, 2017.

Kyla Stelling, Emotional Support Para at Gockley, effective September 29, 2017.

Sean Harkcom, Athletic Trainer, District Wide, effective September 30, 2017.

B. Approve Appointments:

Appoint the following upon the recommendation of the Administration, pending receipt of all credentials and clearances:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
PROFESSIONALS			
Nicole Huie	Steckel/Gockley Music/Vocal	\$52,804 B+15 Step 6 (pro-rated)	Date to be determined by Superintendent
(Replacing Stephen Reisteter - retired)			

SALARIED SUBSTITUTES

Jennifer MacDade	High School Spanish	\$47,025 B Step 1	2017-2018 school year
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(Replacing employee # 004995 - Childrearing Leave)

14. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - continued

A. Approve Appointments - continued:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
SALARIED SUBSTITUTES – continued			
Jennifer Hennessy	Zephyr 4 th Grade	\$50,346 M Step 1	10/26/2017

(Replacing employee # 024000 – FMLA/Concurrent Childrearing Leave)

SUPPORT STAFF

Denise Ritter	Zephyr Level I Secretary 12 months	\$31,711	8/9/2017
Kim Brown	Zephyr Library Secretary 10 months	\$17.27 29.5hrs/wk.	2017-2018 school year

(Replacing Mary DeLeo - transferred)

PARAPROFESSIONALS

Karen Roustic	Middle School ESL	\$17.27 27.5hrs/wk.	2017-2018 school year
Kathleen McLaughlin	Middle School Special Education Emotional Support	\$18.34 27.5hrs/wk.	2017-2018 school year

(Replacing Perri Lipsky - resigned)

Marianne Wied	Gockley Reading Support	\$17.27 27.5hrs/wk.	2017-2018 school year
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(Replacing Denise Ritter - transferred)

14. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - continued

B. Approve Appointments - continued:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
PARAPROFESSIONALS - continued			
Jazlee Figueroa	Middle School Special Education 8 th grade Inclusion	\$18.34 27.5hrs/wk.	2017-2018 school year

(Replacing Kelly Recker - resigned)

Emily Russo	Zephyr Math	\$17.27 27.5hrs/wk.	2017-2018 school year
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(Replacing Teresa Lengyel - resigned)

Abigail Hawk	Zephyr Special Education 4 th grade Inclusion	\$18.34 27.5hrs/wk.	2017-2018 school year
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(Replacing Tamara Eichelberger - resigned)

CAFETERIA MONITORS

Sheila Matika	Middle School	\$12.50 2.5hrs/ daily - not to exceed 12.5 hours	2017-2018 school year
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(Replacing Denise Adorno - resignation)

Holly Kane	Middle School	\$12.50 2.5hrs/ daily - not to exceed 12.5 hours	2017-2018 school year
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(Replacing Denise Adorno - resignation)

COACH

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Compensation</u>
1. Tennille Colbert	Assistant Coach, Tennis	\$2,046

14. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS – continued

B. Approve Appointments - continued:

BUS DRIVER

Approve the following bus driver at salary and rates in accordance with the Bus Driver’s Agreement.

John Schwartz

CLUB/EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Approve for the 2017-2018 school year: Middle School

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Club/Extracurricular</u>	<u>Compensation</u>
Corey Frantz/ Jamie Brobst	Leo Club	\$700.00 (\$350.00 each)

Approve for the 2017-2018 school year: High School

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Club/Extracurricular</u>	<u>Compensation</u>
Jean Marsteller Matthew Tanzos, Sr.	Class of 2019 – co-advisor Percussion Arrange/Instructor	\$831.00 \$1,878 (correction)

C. Approve Substitute Personnel:

Approve the attached list of substitute personnel for the 2017– 2018 school year, pending receipt of all credentials and clearances. (Attachment F)

D. Approve Affidavits:

Approve the attached affidavits in order that the students may attend the Whitehall-Coplay School District during the 2017 – 2018 school year. (Attachment G)

E. Approve Residency of Institutional Children:

Acknowledge residency of the following and their legal guardians as residents of the Whitehall-Coplay School District while receiving education at the stated institutions as per the attached confidential list. (Attachment H)

14. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS – continued

F. Approve Teacher Induction Participants:

Approve the following as participants in the Teacher Induction Program for the 2017 – 2018 school year as per the teacher’s contract:

<u>Mentor</u>	<u>Mentor Amount</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Michelle Le	\$1,250.00	Jennifer Mac Dade
Sophia Leinweber	\$650.00	Jennifer Hennessy

Roll Call

Moved: Mr. Taschler; Seconded Mrs. Gaugler,
Vote: Yes 9, No 0, Abstention 0, Absent 0.

15. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

A. Opening of School

Principals spoke about opening day in their respective buildings.

B. Principal’s Reports

C. PTO PLUS Report

Toni Fillman, PTO Plus President, noted that volunteer parents and students spent several days in August preparing the coupon book fundraisers that were sent home the first week of school. Many volunteers also assisted with bus duty, cafeteria monitoring, Dibbles assessments, picture days, as well as book fairs within the first few weeks of school beginning.

16. UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Monday	September 18	Special Committee Meeting Operations/Transportation (held in the High School’s Large Group Instruction room)	4:30 p.m.
Monday	September 25	Committee Meetings Education/Student Activities Operations/Transportation Finance/Personnel	4:00 p.m.
Monday	October 9	School Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Monday	October 23	Committee Meetings Finance/Personnel Education/Student Activities Operations/Transportation	4:00 p.m.

17. OTHER MATTERS/INFORMATION

Mr. Leiner noted that he had lost a friend, Daniel McNeill. He passed away on September 8, 2017.

18. ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Mr. Leiner, seconded by Mr. Taschler, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. J. Michael Malay, Jr.
Board Secretary