

WYOMING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

3575 Gladiola Avenue SW | Wyoming, Michigan 49519

WPS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Board Meeting October 23, 2023 ~ 6:00 PM

Maner Costerisan Audit Presentation:

Nicholas Kossaras of Maner Costerisan presented to the Board a review of the audit performed for the year end June 30, 2023. Nick has been involved with the WPS audit for the past nine (9) years. A great deal of time and effort goes into the audit process and Maner Costerisan was extremely complimentary of our business office staff for their hard work and attention to detail. The audit came back with a clean opinion and with no control deficiencies or weaknesses noted. The financials as presented accurately reflect the financial transactions that have occurred at WPS. Maner Costerisan also audited WPS programs receiving federal funding. They found spending to be in line with the budgets for those programs and their associated federal mandates.

Nick thanked the Board for allowing their team to serve the District for the annual financial audit. He also thanked Associate Superintendent of Finance, Matt Lewis, and his business office staff for the outstanding job that they do.

10/09/23 Board Minutes: **Action Item – Approved** The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the regular session WPS Board of Education meeting held at 6:00 PM on Monday, October 9, 2023.

Personnel Transactions: **Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Catherine Gernand, Paraprofessional - Oriole Park, Effective 10/19/23 David Holsworth, Director of Operations & Transportation, 10/30/23 Katie Kostal, Social Worker – WHS, Effective 10/09/23 Justina Mulero, Pupil Accounting & State Reporting Specialist, 10/23/23 Hunter Norton, Custodial – WJH, Effective 10/09/23 Barbara Rouster, Food Service, Effective 10/09/23 Cory Waisanen, Teacher - WJH, Effective 10/23/23

Leaves of Absence:

Student Advocate, FMLA, Effective 1/08/24 - 4/15/24 WHS Teacher, Intermittent Leave, Effective 9/27/23 - 5/31/24 WHS Teacher, Intermittent Leave, Effective 10/06/23 - 5/31/24 WIS Teacher, FMLA, Effective 10/06/23 - 10/23/23 WIS Teacher, FMLA, Effective 1/08/24 - 5/31/24 Food Service, FMLA, Effective 2/5/23 - 2/13/23

Retirements / Resignations:

Rebecca Lindemulder, Academic Interventionist – WIS, 11/30/23 Jacob Skaggs, Dean - WJH, Effective 10/24/23 Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry:

Starting Monday, November 20, 2023, all Feeding America distribution efforts will move from three rotating elementary school sites to Wyoming High School, which will serve as the central location moving forward. National Honor Society and Key Club members will join the volunteering efforts coinciding with this location change. We extend our thanks to the volunteers throughout the district who have supported our food distribution efforts in the past. All staff are welcome to continue supporting the Feeding America efforts following the location change.

Finance Reports: **Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the September 2023 check register and budget to actual report.

Maner Costerisan Audit: **Action Item – Approved** The Board reviewed and approved the June 30, 2023, audit performed by Maner Costerisan.

WHS Trip Request – Band - WMU:

The Board reviewed and approved the scholar travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for travel to and from Western Michigan University on November 14, 2023, to participate in honor band events.

Action Item – Approved

WHS Trip Request – Key Club – Lakeshore HS:

Action Item – Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the scholar travel request submitted by Wyoming High School for Key Club members to travel to and from Lakeshore High School in Stevensville, Michigan on November 4, 2023, to participate in the Fall Rally. The Fall Rally is one of the Michigan District of Key Club's state-wide events where Key Clubbers from all over the state gather to train, make new friends, complete service projects, and grow as leaders. The Fall Rally is a fun place for Key Clubbers to form stronger connections with other members and learn about opportunities across the state, as well as more about Key Club.

SEAB Participant Matrix: **Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the SEAB Participant Matrix. The SEAB is tasked with bi-annually reviewing the district's reproductive health curriculum. The SEAB will have a kickoff meeting in early November. This initial meeting is logistical in nature and sets the stage for the review process to follow. Ultimately, any updates to curriculum (videos, PowerPoints, etc.) would be recommended by the SEAB to the Wyoming Board of Education for consideration.

Strategic Plan Update:

On Monday, October 16, 2023, representatives from all Wyoming Public School buildings, including building principals, school improvement chairs, and instructional coaches, came together to share how they and their staffs have started to implement the WPS Strategic Plan.

Closed Session:

The Board entered into closed session under Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act at 6:31 PM. The Board reopened the meeting at 7:03 PM.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Session

Thursday, November 9, 2023 – 4:30 PM Thursday, December 7, 2023 – 4:30 PM

Board Meetings:

Monday, November 13, 2023 – 6 PM Monday, December 11, 2023 – 6 PM

Other:

Fall Band Concert – WHS Gym – October 23, 2023 – 7 PM Feeding America Food Pantry–WHS–November 20, 2023–4:30 PM AW11 Celebration – December 15, 2023 – 12:30 PM Feeding America Food Pantry–WHS–December 11, 2023–4:30 PM