



J-M Board of Education selects architects for JHS addition, other projects

The Board of Education received an overview of the Johnstown-Monroe Parent Teacher’s Organization’s accomplishments from Ashlea Wentzel, PTO President, and Superintendent Dr. Philip H. Wagner at the Board’s April 8, 2024, Regular Session meeting.

The PTO currently focuses its efforts on fundraising and support of Johnstown Elementary and Johnstown Intermediate School. Dr. Wagner noted that discussions are underway to explore expanding PTO efforts to the District’s middle and high schools.

The Board of Education approved selection of BSHM Architects, Inc., for design professional services for a planned “District Improvements Project” that may include an addition to Johnstown High School, a new administrative office building, a multipurpose facility, and a 350-seat addition to the Performing Arts Center.

In other business, the Board approved an overnight/extended student trip for the Big Red Band Marching Band Camp, to be held July 21-26 at Camp Cotubic.

Board members also approved creation of an additional “Intervention Specialist” position for 2024-25 school year resulting from increased student caseloads at Johnstown Intermediate School.

Additionally, the board approved creation of positions for a “District-Wide Math/Science Coach” and a “District-Wide Math Coach” for the 2024-25 school year.

A \$4,375 donation from the Johnstown Athletic Boosters, Inc. for a high school scholarship received board approval, and the board approved a number of school district policy rescissions and replacements.

The next regular session meeting is scheduled to be held at 5 p.m. on May 13, 2024.



Johnstown PTO members (from left) Jasmine Gentry (treasurer), Alisha Wheeler (secretary), and Ashlea Wentzel (president), address the Board of Education.