

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

August 14, 2012

I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:57 PM at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School Library.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

David Bartholomew	Present
Denise Clouser	Absent
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	Present
Lamont Masser	Present
Lawrence Neidig, Treasurer	Present
Ronald Neidig	Present
Marlin Yeager, Jr.	Absent
Patty Troutman, Secretary, Non-Member	Present

ADMINISTRATION

David M. Campbell	Superintendent	Present
Philip S. Rapant, Jr.	Business Administrator	Present
Jeffrey S. Roadcap	Secondary School Principal	Absent
Jeanne Menko	Elementary School Principal	Absent
Jeffrey Lagerman	Dean of Students/Athletic Director	Present
Sarah Biegert	Food Service Director	Absent
Amy Dunn	Director of Special Education	Present
Keith Harro	Network Administrator	Present
Tim Lagerman	Director of Plant Operations	Present
Richard J. Roberts, Jr.	Solicitor	Present

OTHERS

Justin Strawser of "The News Item" and approximately fifteen members of the general public were present.

IV. Recognition of Public:

President Laudenslager recognized the public present. There were no comments from the public at this time.

V. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting, July 10, 2012 as per attached pages.

David Bartholomew made the motion and Ronald Neidig seconded the motion to approve the above minutes. The motion passed by Acclamation.

VI. Motion to Approve the Agenda:

Lauren Hackenberg requested discussion regarding the building project be included as part of the agenda.

Dennis Erdman made the motion and Lauren Hackenberg seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed by Acclamation.

VII. Administrative Reports

A. Superintendent

Superintendent Campbell announced there was an executive session prior to tonight's meeting to meet with counsel regarding personnel issues and a potential litigation matter.

Professional staff will have their first in-service day on August 21, 2012 for the 2012-2013 school year.

Mr. Campbell reminded everyone of the special board meeting scheduled for August 23, 2012 for a vote on the potential school closing of Leck Kill and Dalmatia Elementary Schools for the 2012-2013 or 2013-2014 school years.

B. Business Administrator

Mr. Laudenslager reported on the change to the busing contract as per the request of Marvin Klinger, Inc. to adjust the fuel surcharge schedule to begin at \$3.25 rather than \$3.00.

C. Principals

No report.

D. Property Committee

Mr. Lagerman reported on the status of the summer projects to date with many having been completed already. New speakers are being installed in the Jr/Sr High School auditorium by Goyette Communication Industries and they have recommended not installing the two auditorium speakers in the gymnasium at this time. The water line, fence, ticket booth, pine tree removal and emergency power at the Jr/Sr High School and the wheel chair lift at Trevorton Elementary School were all projects that were updated.

- E. Policy Committee
No report.
- F. Fiscal Committee
No report.
- G. Personnel Committee
No report.
- H. Northumberland County Career & Technology Center Report
Mr. Erdman reported that the School Board Reorganization Meeting will be held at the Technology Center on December 5, 2012.
- I. Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Report
Mr. Neidig reported there is no meeting this month.
- J. Tax Collection Committee
No report.

VIII. ACTION ITEM

A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

1. **Exonerations/Appeals for Local Tax Collectors**
The administration recommends approval of the Exonerations/Appeals of Local Tax Collectors for the 2012 taxes as per attached pages.
2. **Delinquent Tax Exonerations**
The administration recommends approval of exonerations submitted by Statewide Tax Recovery, Inc. as per attached page.
3. **Study Island and Reading Eggs Program Renewal Approval**
Be it recommended that the board approve the renewal of the Study Island and Reading Eggs program along with benchmark testing for grades K thru 11 with Study Island, Dallas, TX at a cost of \$15,300.86 for a period starting July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.
4. **Auditorium Speaker Purchase Approval**
Be it recommended that the board approve the purchase, installation, and balancing of 2 main speakers for the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School through Goyette Communications Industries, Plymouth, PA at a cost of \$5,431.00 as per attached page.

5. **Fire Alarm Test and Inspect Approval**

Be it recommended that the board approve the fire alarm testing and inspection at the Trevorton Elementary School through Simplex Grinnell, Mechanicsburg, PA at a cost of \$2,550.00 as per attached pages.

6. **Service Call Agreement Provider Approval**

Be it recommended that the board approve the agreement with Blast IU #17, Williamsport, PA to provide technology service at a rate of \$88.00 per hour Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00PM for the period 7/01/12 to 6/30/13 as per attached pages.

Mr. Neidig asked if this service is not available through the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit. Mr. Harro explained that Blast IU#17 provides service to the CSIU when needed.

7. **The Meadows/Universal Community Behavioral Health Agreement Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve a Letter of Agreement with The Meadows/Universal Community Behavioral Health (UCBH), Centre Hall, PA at a rate of \$30.00 per hour and authorize Administration to execute the agreement as per attached page.

8. **2012-2013 School Vehicle Contractors**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the following school vehicle contractors for the 2012-2013 school year at a rate of \$1.55 per approved daily miles:

- Marjorie Derck – Shamokin, PA
- Gail Harris – Dornsife, PA
- Janet Schwartz – Trevorton, PA
- Ken Harris – Dornsife, PA

9. **2012-2013 Private Bus Companies Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the following private bus companies to provide transportation for field trips and athletic events as requested by teachers and coaches, pending clearances and certificates of insurance for the 2012-2013 school year:

- Catawese Coach Company
- Rohrer Bus Company
- King Koal

10. **2012-2013 Extra-Curricular Transportation Contract Agreement**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the extra-curricular transportation contract with Marvin E. Klinger, Inc., Dornsife PA for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 at \$11.90 per driver hour (\$20.00 minimum per run) and \$1.74 per mile (\$20.00 minimum per run) under the same terms and conditions as per the 2011-2012 school year as per attached page.

11. **Elementary School Assembly Programs**

Be it recommended that the Board grant permission for Administration to execute contracts for the following elementary assembly programs pending clearances as per attached pages:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Character Counts Program 9/11/12, 9/12/12, 9/14/12	Kingdom Kidz Inc. Milton, PA	\$1,200.00
Bluegrass and Tall Tales 10/30/12	Bright Star Children's Theatre	\$1,190.00
Breaker Boys 5/7/13	Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble	Paid by LM Council for the Arts

12. **J C Orr & Son, Inc. Payment Approval**

Be it recommended that the board approve the payment of \$322,651.61 to J C Orr & Son, Inc., Altoona, PA.

13. **School Bus Transportation Contract Approval**

Be it recommended that the board approve the 2011-2012 finalized transportation contract #001 with Marvin Klinger, Inc., Dornsife, PA at a daily rate of 46,794.51.

14. **2012-2013 School Bus Contractor**

Be it recommended that the board approve Marvin E. Klinger, Inc., Dornsife, PA as the bus contractor for the 2012-2013 school year and authorize the execution of Contract No. 001 for the transportation of School pupils at an estimated price of \$1,218,391.45 as per attached page.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Board of School Directors
approve the above fiscal action.

Moved by Lamont Masser and seconded by David Bartholomew to approve Item Numbers A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8, A10, A11, A12, A13 and A14 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

1. **Professional Personnel Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the resignation of Jacilyn Paulukonis, 8th grade special education teacher at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School effective July 26, 2012.

2. **Coaches/Advisors**

The administration recommends approval of the following coaches/advisors for the 2012-2013 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Jon Raker	Varsity Head Baseball Coach	\$3,070.00
Kelly Klinger	Assistant Baseball Coach	\$2,110.00
Michael Brosius	Assistant Baseball Coach	\$1,660.00
Adam Straub	Volunteer Asst. Baseball Coach	\$ -0-
Sam Strause	Volunteer Asst. Baseball Coach	\$ -0-
Kent Smeltz	Assistant Football Coach	\$2,200.00

The position of Assistant Football Coach was removed from this Agenda Item prior to the vote.

3. **2012-2013 Support Personnel Approval**

The administration recommends approval (pending working papers) of the following support personnel for the 2012-2013 school year at a rate of \$10.00 per day:

Clock Operators/Statisticians

Jade London – MS Girls Basketball

Madeline Reed – MS Girls Basketball

4. **Work Beyond The School Day Approval**

a. The administration recommends approval of the following teachers at the LMEA contracted rate of \$22.00 per hour for work beyond the school day:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Program</u>
Peg Haverovich	7	Title II Reading
Carol Kruskie	8	Screenings
Rita Buhay	6	Title II Reading
Megan Herrold	6	Title II Reading
Mary Ann Taxis	6	Title II Reading
Amy Wilson	6	Title II Reading
Lori Hackenberg	2.5	Title II Responsive Classroom
Beth Reed	2.5	Title II Responsive Classroom
Amy Young	2.5	Title II Responsive Classroom
Jennifer Miller	2.5	Title II Responsive Classroom
Crystale Straub Moyer	2	Title II Responsive Classroom
Sandra Kessler	2.5	Title II Responsive Classroom
Kim Poltonavage	40	Library
Joanne Snyder	14	Nurse
Lori Brown	13	Study Island Administrator

b. The administration recommends approval of the following for summer substitute work at the substitute secretary rate of \$7.70 per hour:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Tammy Beninsky	65
Judy Wetzel	13

c. The administration recommends approval of the following ESY personal care aide at regular hourly pay rate not to exceed 3 hours:

Deborah Weiser \$10.92

5. **Day to Day Substitute Teacher Approval**

The administration recommends approval (pending clearances) of the following day to day substitute teachers for the 2012-2013 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>
Rosanne Carson	Elementary	Sarah Degnitz	Music
David Deppen	Elementary	Mills Eure	Social Studies
Emily Faust	Elementary	Trisha Herb	Elementary
Cheryl Ibberson	Home Economics	Jenna Kerstetter	Elementary
Larry Lenig	Elementary	Cassandra Luciano	Elementary
Michael Martz	Business	Brittany Maurer	Elementary
Harold Morgan	Social Studies	Kristin Knock	Elementary
Anessa Renn	Elementary	Susan Rothermel	Accounting
Diane Schreffler	Elementary	Lindsay Shaffer	Chemistry
Bonnie Snyder	Elementary	Jenny Snyder	English & Reading
Peggy Starr	Elementary	Brigette Styers	Elementary
Jane Sweppenhiser	Health & P.E.	Andrea Taylor	Elementary
Shannon Witmer	Social Studies	Bonita Campbell	Emergency
Heather Feese	Emergency	Stanley Hojnacki	Emergency
Tim Kincaid	Emergency	Debra Leitzel	Emergency
Michelle Michaels	Emergency	Tiffany Myers	Emergency
Tara Smith	Emergency	Stacey Snyder	Emergency
Helen Vandervoort	Emergency	Richard Vanslavie	Emergency
Erin Wetzel	Emergency	David Lagerman	Health & P.E.

6. **Classified Substitute Personnel Approval**

The administration recommends approval (pending clearances) of the following classified personnel for the 2012-2013 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Bridgette Feger	Substitute Secretary	\$7.70
Melody Latsha	Substitute Teacher Aide & Cafeteria Worker	\$7.25
Michelle Michaels	Substitute Teacher Aide	\$7.25

7. **FMLA Leave Approval**
The administration recommends approval of Family Medical Leave for employee #0803 commencing on August 21, 2012 continuing through 5 weeks.
8. **PROFESSIONAL Personnel Employment Approval**
a. The administration recommends approval of the employment of Kristin Knock, Dalmatia, PA as an Elementary Teacher at Trevorton Elementary School at a salary of (BA Step 2) \$34,426.00 effective August 21, 2012.
b. The administration recommends approval of the employment of Danielle Jacukowicz, Danville, PA as a secondary Special Education Teacher at Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School at a salary of (MA Step 1) \$34,042.00 effective August 21, 2012.
c. The administration recommends approval of the ½ time employment of Amy Zartman, Dornsife, PA as a secondary Reading Specialist at Line Mountain Jr. Sr High Scholl at a prorated salary of (MA Step 9) \$24,491.50 effective August 21, 2012. Salary and benefits will be paid from Title I Funds.
9. **Volunteer Coach Approval**
The administration recommends approval (pending clearances) of Jason Williams as a Volunteer Assistant Football coach for the 2012-2013 school year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Board of School Directors
approve the above personnel action.

Moved by Lawrence Neidig and seconded by Dennis Erdman to approve Item Numbers B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6, B7, B8 and B9 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

C. **POLICY AND PROGRAM**

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

1. **Faculty Conference Approval**
The administration recommends approval of the following faculty conferences for the 2012-2013 school year as per attached page.
2. **Letter of Agreement Approval**
Be it recommended that the board approve the letter of agreement between the Line Mountain School District and the Northumberland County Behavioral and Intellectual/Development Services to provide services for the Student Assistance Program for the 2012-2013 school year.

3. **Use of Facility Approval**

a. The Line Mountain Field Hockey Team requests the use of the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School hockey field on Saturday and Sunday, August 11 and 12, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM on Saturday and 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Sunday to hold a goalie clinic.

b. The Line Mountain Youth Football league requests the use of the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School football field on Sunday, August 26, 2012 from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM for their football games.

c. The Line Mountain Field Hockey Team requests the use of the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School hockey field every Wednesday from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM and every Sunday from 11:45 PM to 5:15 PM starting September 9, 2012 through October 28, 2012 for Eaglet Field Hockey and Central Penn Mini-Sticks League

4. **New Textbooks Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the purchase of the following new textbooks for use during the 2012-2013 school year:

English for the World of Work

AGS Publishing

This Item was voted on separately.

5. **Stadium Name Change Approval**

Be it recommended that the board approve naming the football field at Eagle Stadium to the Glen Ressler Field with Mr. Ressler's permission.

There was discussion among board members as to the pros and cons of assigning an individual's name to a facility. The motion was changed from the original reading of naming the stadium after Mr. Ressler to naming the field in his honor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Board of School Directors approve
the above policy and program action.

Moved by Dennis Erdman and seconded by David Bartholomew to approve Item Number C5 and carried by a vote of 6 yes, 1 no and 0 abstentions on roll call Vote with Lawrence Neidig casting the negative vote.

6. **Class of 1944 Donation Approval**

The administration recommends acceptance of the donation of \$340.00 by the Trevorton Class of 1944 to be used for books in the Trevorton Elementary library and be designated as being donated by the Trevorton Class of 1944.

Mr. Campbell thanked the Class of 1944 for their donation and acknowledged the age of the class members making the donation.

7. **First Reading of Policy Approval**

Be it recommended to approve first reading of the following policies:

- 610, Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation as per attached pages
- 611, Purchases Budgeted as per attached page

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Board of School Directors approve
the above policy and program action.

Moved by Lamont Masser and seconded by David Bartholomew to approve
Item Numbers C1, C2, C3, C4, C6 and C7 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0
no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

IX. Public Comment:
None.

Board Comment:

Lauren Hackenberg asked if any other board members are having concerns about the impending school closings. She reiterated her desire to have an East and West campus of elementary schools. Mr. Campbell reviewed the goal and benefits of consolidation and a summary of events that have led to the present position. Mr. Campbell expressed his concerns of the learning environment for students at the Trevorton Elementary School with construction taking place during school hours. He also related his concerns on the impact of the limited time allowance for the change needed for professional staff, students and parents. In summary, he expressed his desire to keep the Leck Kill Elementary School open for the 2012-2013 school year and continue with the consolidation plans for 2013-2014.

Lauren Hackenberg read a self-penned letter expressing her concerns about the limited play area, parking facilities, three story structure, and lengthy bus runs involved with the consolidation and transfer of all students to the Trevorton Elementary School. Mr. Campbell responded to her concerns expressing his plans to accommodate the issues she raised.

Mr. Laudenslager requested verbal input from the board members as to their current position on the Leck Kill Elementary School closure for the 2012-2013 school year. As the response was largely negative to closing the school for this year a motion was added authorizing administration to prepare for the 2012-2013 school year with the Leck Kill Elementary School open.

Christy Derck of Lower Mahanoy Township asked if Third Grade students will be attending Leck Kill Elementary School if the school remains open. Mr. Campbell responded that they would remain at Leck Kill with First Grade through Fourth Grade students.

Melissa Wynn expressed her concerns regarding the board voting on closing two schools without bids in hand and knowing the cost of the renovations for the additions to the Trevorton Elementary School and the Jr/Sr High School.

Katya Phillips suggested sending the Leck Kill Students to the Dalmatia Elementary School for the 2012-2013 school year due to the limited number of students enrolled at the Leck Kill Elementary School.

This Item was voted on separately.

Motion for Administration to Prepare for Leck Kill Elementary School to remain Open for 2012-2013 School Year.

Be it recommended that administration prepare for Leck Kill Elementary School to remain open for the 2012-2013 school year.

Moved by Lamont Masser and seconded by Ronald Neidig to approve the above Motion and carried by a vote of 6 yes, 1 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote with Lauren Hackenberg casting the negative vote.

President Laudenslager reminded the negotiating team that there will be a meeting next Wednesday at 5:30 at the Jr/Sr High School.

X. Motion to Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Lamont Masser made the motion and Lawrence Neidig seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary