## LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **MINUTES**

## BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

JANUARY 14, 2025

- I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:38PM at the Line Mountain Middle/High School Library.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance.

## III. Roll Call:

## **BOARD DIRECTORS**

Michael Bordner	Absent
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Absent
Linda Gutkowski	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Dr. Richard Huskey	Present
Paul Kolody	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	Present
Ronald Neidig	Present
Matthew Shaffer	Absent
Paige Lenker, Secretary, Non-Member	Present

## **ADMINISTRATION**

David M. Campbell	Superintendent	Present
Kaitlin Rosselli	Business Manager	Present
Dwain Messersmith	Secondary School Principal	Present
Jeffrey Lagerman	Middle School Principal	Present
Kyrie Ciborowski	Elementary School Principal	Present
Christine Kent	Principal/Director of Curriculum	Present
Amy Dunn	Director of Special Education	Present
Brad Shrum	School Psychologist	Present
Stephen Kelley	Athletic Director	Absent
Keith Harro	Network Administrator	Present
Douglas Wolfe	Director of Plant Operations	Present
Jamie Shiko	Food Service Director	Present
Joseph Michetti	School Solicitor	Present

## **OTHERS**

Larry Deklinski from The News Item was present along with four members from the public.

- IV. President Laudenslager recognized the public present. There were no comments from the public at this time.
- V. Motion to Approve the Minutes:

Regular Meeting of January 14, 2024 as per attached pages.

Linda Gutkowski made the motion and Paul Kolody seconded the motion to approve the above minutes. The motion passed by acclamation.

VI. Motion to Approve the Agenda:

Dr. Richard Huskey made the motion and Paul Kolody seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed by acclamation.

# VII. Administrative Reports

## A. Superintendent

Mr. Campbell introduced Line Mountain School District Police Officers, Kevin Kearney, Kirk Renn and Douglas Foura to the board and public.

## B. Business Administrator

Ms. Rosselli mentioned that the district office has been busy and she plans on having the preliminary budget in March with the final approval in May.

C. Principals

No comment.

D. Property Committee

No comment.

E. Policy Committee

No comment.

F. Fiscal Committee

No comment.

G. Personnel Committee

No comment.

- H. Northumberland County Career & Technology Center Report No comment.
- I. <u>Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Report</u>
   Ms. Hackenburg stated that the next meeting is on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

# J. <u>Tax Collection Committee</u> None

#### VIII. ACTION ITEM

#### A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT- None.

## 1. Check Report Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve all Checks from all funds within the Line Mountain School District for the period ending January 9, 2025 (pages 17 - 24).

## 2. Exonerations/Appeals for Local Tax Collectors

The administration recommends approval of the Exonerations/Appeals of Local Tax Collectors for the 2024 taxes (page 25).

# 3. Used Equipment Disposal Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the disposal of used laptops to be coordinated by the administration (page 26).

# 4. Email Software Subscription Renewal Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve to renew the Email Signature 365 software subscription from SHI, Somerset, NJ at an annual cost of \$1,241.74. Subscription runs 1/11/2025 to 1/10/2026.

# 5. **Budget Transfers Approval**

Be it recommended the Board approve of the 2024-2025 budget transfers (pages 27 - 28).

## 6. Electric Kettle Purchase Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the purchase and installation of a Tilting Electric Kettle for the Line Mountain Elementary School cafeteria through Singer Equipment Co, Elverson, Pa at a total cost of \$32,246.23 as per CoStar Contract #036-E22-036 (pages 29 - 34).

# 7. 2025 Mileage Reimbursement Rate Approval

Be it recommended that the Board approve an increase in the district mileage reimbursement rate from \$0.67 to \$0.70 per mile effective January 1, 2025.

## 8. Tax Collector Resolution

Be it recommended that the Board approve the following Local Tax Collection Law Resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 36.1 of the Local Tax Collection Law, 72 P.S. §5511.36a, authorizes a taxing authority to either raise or reduce the compensation for the office of an elected tax collector by adopting a resolution. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of School Directors of the Line Mountain School District (the "School District") that, effective January 1, 2026, the compensation rate for elected tax collectors shall be \$2.60 per bill collected and remitted to the School District for real estate, per capita and occupation tax bills; provided, however, that such rate shall be \$1.20 per installment real estate bill collected and remitted to the School District where the taxpayer has elected to pay the real estate tax in installments; and, provided further, however, that such rate shall be \$5.00 per bill collected and remitted to the School District for new taxables (i.e., additions to the tax duplicate) if and only if the new taxables are identified by the tax collector, submitted to the proper tax assessor and subsequently collected and remitted to the School District. New taxables added to the tax duplicate which are not a direct result of action by the

ADOPTED this 14th day of January, 2025.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

tax collector do not qualify for this higher rate of compensation.

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

Moved by Linda Gutkowski and seconded by Paul Kolody to approve Item Number A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, and A8 and carried by a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstention on roll call vote.

#### B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT- None.

# 1. Administrative Personnel Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the resignation for the purposes of retirement for Keith Harro, Director of Technology for the Line Mountain School District effective May 16, 2025. He has been employed by the district for 15 years.

## 2. Professional Personnel Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the employment of Katelynne Michael as a STEM teacher at the Line Mountain Middle High School at a salary based on (BA Step 1) \$51,000.00 retro-active to January 6, 2025.

## 3. School Police Officers Employment Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the employment of Kirk Renn and Douglas Foura as School Police Officers at the Line Mountain Elementary School at \$40.00 per hour.

## 4. Substitute Day to Day Teacher Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve (pending all required paperwork) the following personnel as a day to day substitute teacher for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name Certification
Angela Forney Emergency

## 5. Classified Personnel Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the resignation of Mary Nolan, Special Education Aide at the Line Mountain Elementary School effective December 21, 2024.

## 6. Substitute Classified Personnel Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the following substitute classified personnel effective upon completion of all required paperwork for the 2024-2025 school year at the substitute hourly rate of \$15.00:

Name Position

Tyson Smeltz Substitute Custodian

## 7. Uncompensated Leave Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the following uncompensated leave days for the 2024-2025 school year:

Employee Dates Reason #2976 1/28 ½ day, 1/29,30,31, 2025 Travel

#### 8. Coaches/Advisors Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve (pending all required paperwork) the employment of the following coaches/advisors for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	
Owen Keim	Volunteer Baseball Coach	\$	-0-
Anthony Ippolito	Volunteer Baseball Coach	\$	-0-
Dustin Kieffer	Volunteer Girls Wrestling Coach	\$	-0-

## 9. 2024-2025 Support Personnel Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve (pending working papers and or clearances) of the following support personnel for the 2024-2025 school year effective July 1, 2024:

Statistician/Scorekeepers

Jackie Kelley

Clock Operators
Jackie Kelley

Keri Morgan

Ticket Takers
Jackie Kelley

Crystale Straub Moyer Holly Renninger

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Ronald Neidig and seconded by Lauren Hackenburg to approve Items Number B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6, B7, B8, and B9 and carried by a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

## C. POLICY AND PROGRAM

PUBLIC COMMENT- None.

# 1. Field Trips Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the following field trips for the 2024-2025 school year (page 35):

## 2. Student Agreement Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve an Agreement pertaining to a student disciplinary matter #2024-25-03 and authorize the Superintendent to execute the same on behalf of the District.

## 3. TSI – Title 1 Elementary School Plan Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the Elementary School TSI – Title plan.

## 4. TSI – Title 1 Middle School Plan Approval

Be it recommended the Board approve the Elementary School TSI – Title plan.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Linda Gutkowski and seconded by Ronald Neidig to approve Items Number C1, C2, C3, and C4 and carried by a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

## IX. Public Comment

K & W Engineers contracted with Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates to develop an "Athletic Facilities Feasibility Study Presentation." Presenters were Anthony Colestock and Marc Singley. They discussed the conditions of our athletic fields and offered advice for improvements. Please visit Line Mountain School District website to read the full study.

There were discussions following the presentation between the public and board Members regarding the study.

Board Comment - None.

Solicitor Michetti announced prior to the meeting tonight there was an executive session from 6:00 to 6:30 whereby matters were discussed. There was a brief executive meeting following the end of the board meeting whereby matters were discussed.

# X. Motion to Adjourn:

There being no further business being brought before the Board, Linda Gutkowski made the motion and Paul Kolody seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paige Lenker Board Secretary