

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

April 29, 2014

I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM at the Line Mountain Middle/Senior High School Library.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

David Bartholomew	Present
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.	Present
Daniel Zablosky	Present
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	Present
Jeanne Menko	Elementary School Principal	Present
Jeffrey Lagerman	Dean of Students/Athletic Director	Present
Sherry Thompson	Food Service Director	Present
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

Rick Dandes of "The Daily Item", Eric Scicchitano and Sarah DeSantis of "The News Item", Jeffrey Kimbal of Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit and six members of the general public were present.

President Laudenslager announced there was an executive session prior to tonight's meeting to meet with counsel regarding personnel issues and the collective bargaining agreement.

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, April 8, 2014 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:

Dennis Erdman made the motion and Marlin Yeager, Jr. seconded the motion to approve the Agenda. The motion passed by Acclamation.

VII. Administrative Reports

A. Superintendent

Superintendent Campbell introduced Jeff Kimbal who is the Director of Cooperative Purchasing Services and the President of PENCON at the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit. Mr. Kimball briefly reported on the process of PENCON purchasing energy for the approximate 250 existing members of PENCON. He explained the system of the fixed rate and the fluctuating rate structures. David Bartholomew requested a listing of current PENCON customers.

Mr. Campbell also presented a review of the 2010-2011 through 2014-2015 budget summarizations showing the 2014-2015 expenditures to be less than the 2010-2011 expenditures. Mr. Campbell is proposing a zero mill tax increase for the third consecutive year.

Mr. Campbell also reported on the Key Club blood drive held yesterday. The blood drive was a success as having 32 pints of blood donated.

B. Business Administrator

Mr. Rapant presented and reviewed the proposed 2014-2015 final budget worksheet. He reviewed the expenditure and revenue budget changes from 2013-2014 to 2014-2015 in addition to the changes from the preliminary budget to the proposed final budget.

This Item was voted on separately.

Be it recommended that the Board approve the Proposed Tentative Budget in the amount of \$18,799,118.00. A copy of the Proposed Tentative Budget will be available for inspection on May 5, 2014 at the District Office for 30 days.

Moved by Lawrence Neidig and seconded by Dennis Erdman to approve the above Item and carried by a vote of 9 yes, no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

C. Principals

Mrs. Menko thanked all who participated in the American Heart Association's successful Jump Rope for Heart program held at the elementary school. She announced the students who raised and donated the most money for the association and reported they will be going on a bowling field trip with Ms. Vuchinich and Ms. Burris. A total of \$13,458.94 was raised by the students.

D. Property Committee

Tim Lagerman presented photos of equipment from the Middle School Industrial Arts classroom which he proposed to take to the Gratz Consignment Auction. There was board discussion regarding the possible use of the equipment at the Middle/Senior High School classroom. The Board also discussed the option of waiting until the fall consignment sale whose proceeds are forwarded to the Amish schools in Line Mountain School District. Tim Lagerman stated these tools were not needed at this time by the maintenance staff or Middle/Senior High classroom. After brief discussion, the board opted to proceed with the dispersal of the equipment rather than store it until this fall for the next sale and added an agenda item as such.

This Item was voted on separately.

Be it recommended that the Board approve the motion to authorize the sale of the surplus unused and unnecessary equipment at the Gratz Consignment Auction.

Moved by Dennis Erdman and seconded by Daniel Zablosky to approve the above Item and carried by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

Dennis Erdman announced there will be a property committee meeting on May 6th in the library at 6:00 PM.

E. Policy Committee

No report.

F. Fiscal Committee

No report.

- G. Personnel Committee
No report.

- H. Northumberland County Career & Technology Center Report
No report.

- I. Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Report
No report.

- J. Tax Collection Committee
No report.

VIII. ACTION ITEM

- A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

- 1. **Treasurer's Report**
Treasurer's Cash Reports and Accounts Payable for General Fund, Athletic Fund, Food Service Fund, Payroll, Capital Projects Fund, Capital Reserve Fund and Student Activity Fund for the period ending April 24, 2014 as per attached pages.

- 2. **Budget Transfers**
The administration recommends approval of the 2013-2014 budget transfers as per attached pages.

- 3. **Elementary Art Exhibit Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve elementary school participation in the art exhibit at the Susquehanna Valley Mall from May 2 through May 13, 2014 and authorize Administration to execute the agreement.

- 4. **PFSA Training Agreement Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve an agreement with PA Family Support Alliance (PFSA), Harrisburg, PA to provide mandated child abuse reporting training on February 2, 2015 at a cost of \$250.00 which will be refunded to the district upon completion of the training and authorize the Administration to execute the agreement as per attached pages.

5. **Food Service & Accounting System Purchase Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the purchase of Mosaic food service and accounting system with cafeteria funds from Heartland School Solutions, Tempe, AZ at a price of \$13,373 which includes installation, implementation, support, and warranty.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Daniel Zablosky expressed hardships with changes to the current Line Mountain School District website. Mr. Campbell reported the CSIU made changes to their software and the school is working through the new program. The current food service program has become obsolete in addition to problems with customer service based on the west coast. The new system will be a web based program which is SIF compatible. Parents will be able to view student balances and activity. The Mosaic system is highly recommended by Food Nutrition Inc. Sherry Thompson reported the system will hopefully be up and running by the first day of the 2014-2015 school year.

Moved by Ronald Neidig and seconded by Lamont Masser to approve Item Numbers A1, A2, A3, A4 and A5 and carried by a vote of 9 yes, no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

1. **Maternity Leave Approval**

The administration recommends approval of maternity leave for Amy Hess-Sprenkle from on or around May 28, 2014 until June 6, 2014. She will use her personal, sick and uncompensated leave time.

2. **Day to Day Substitute Teacher**

The administration recommends approval of the following day to day substitute teachers for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>
Sydney Edwards	English 7 - 12
Whitney Jones	Biology 7 - 12

3. **Coaches/Advisors**

The administration recommends approval (pending clearances) of the following coaches/advisors for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Troy Swinehart	Boys Head Soccer Coach	\$1,630.00

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

The administration recommends approval of work beyond the school day for David McCracken for 45 minutes on April 10 and 11, 2014 used for after school detention at the LMEA contracted rate of \$22.00 per hour

5. **Classified Personnel**

The administration recommends approval of the following classified personnel positions effective April 30, 2014:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Debra Bordner	4 hour cafeteria worker	\$8.00
Stacy Long	3 hour cafeteria worker	\$8.00

6. **Uncompensated Leave Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the following uncompensated leave days:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Nina Lenker	May 1, 2014	Medical

7. **Substitute Classified Personnel Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the following day to day substitute classified personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Jennifer Laudenslager-Leitzel	Substitute Secretary	\$7.70
Julia Bingaman	Substitute Secretary	\$7.70

8. **Revision To Retirement Date**

Motion to approve the revision of the effective date of the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Margaret Haverovich, with such revised effective date to be December 31, 2014, pursuant to the request of the said Margaret Haverovich.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by David Bartholomew and seconded by Marlin Yeager, Jr. to approve Item Numbers B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6, B7 and B8 and carried by a vote of 9 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 2013-2014 school year as per attached page.

This Item was voted on separately.

2. **Field Trips Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the following field trips for the 2013-2014 school year as per attached page.

Lauren Hackenburg expressed discontent in the field trip listed for the current Class of 2020 going to Knoebel's Grove. Recent past 6th Grade classes have had the experience of going to Washington D. C. This class however does not have the funds to proceed with the trip therefore a trip to Knoebel's Grove was planned. Ms. Hackenburg proposed a motion to exclude the 6th Grade field trip from the list of field trips submitted for approval. A motion was added as such.

Motion to amend the field trip listing.

Be it recommended the Board approve the motion to amend the field trip listing to exclude the 6th grade field trip to Knoebel's Grove.

Ms. Hackenburg expressed her thanks to the teachers and staff for their extra efforts for activities inside and outside the classroom. She again expressed her dissatisfaction with the students being deprived of the educational value of the trip to Washington D. C. and suggested the Board provide the additional necessary funding to allow for the trip. Mr. Campbell discussed the cost of past field trips and fund raising efforts to make the field trips possible. Mr. Campbell expressed his concerns for attempting to schedule a trip to Washington D. C. at this late date. Mr. Laudenslager stated the class still would have the option to plan a trip to Washington D. C. in future years with the appropriate funds raised. After board discussion Lauren Hackenburg announced her intent to rescind her motion to amend the field trip listing. Mr. Campbell assured the Board that administration will have further discussion with the professional teams about sufficient fundraising activities to meet the expense of class field trips.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Lamont Masser and seconded by Ronald Neidig to approve Item Number C2 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, 1 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote with David Bartholomew casting the negative vote.

3. **Approval of the Class of 2014**
The administration recommends approval of the Class of 2014 for graduation, pending final grades as per attached page.
4. **New Story ESY Agreement Approval**
The administration recommends approval of the agreement with New Story for the 2014 Extended School Year and authorizes the superintendent to execute the agreement as per attached pages.
5. **Homebound Instruction Approval**
The administration recommends approval of homebound instruction for a 6th grade student at the Line Mountain Middle School as per instructions from the doctor and the parents.
6. **Approval to Establish Scholarship Fund**
Approval to establish the Millersburg Forest #125 Tall Cedars Scholarship in the amount of \$500.00. Recipients will be selected in accordance with District Policy #913 as per attached page.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Dennis Erdman and seconded by Daniel Zablosky to approve Item Numbers C1, C3, C4, C5 and C6 and carried by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

IX. Public Comment – None.

Board Comment:

President Laudenslager announced the bid results for the Dalmatia Elementary School Building with Jeremy and Sara Strohecker having the only bid at \$25,100.00. The Leck Kill Elementary School Building had only one bid from Jamie and Kim Reed at \$50,222.00. There were no bids on the property at 196 School Road, Dalmatia. The Board discussed the possible options available if they do not accept the bids.

A resident of Lower Mahanoy Township requested permission to address the Board regarding the Dalmatia Elementary School property. He expressed his concerns over several issues and requested the Board proceed with a public sale of the building rather than accept the bid.

Both bidders also addressed the Board asking the Board to proceed with the bid awards allowing them to move ahead with renovations to the buildings in a timely manner.

The Board has to respond to the bids within sixty days of the bid opening and after awarding the bids, closing is scheduled to occur within forty–five days. Mr. Campbell will research options for the Dalmatia property which had no bids submitted. The Board opted to not award the bids at this time and assured the bidders a decision will be made at the May 13th meeting.

X. Motion to Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Lawrence Neidig made the motion and Lauren Hackenburg seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary