

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

January 13, 2015

President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:47 PM at the Line Mountain Middle / High School Library.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

David Bartholomew	Present
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Absent
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	Middle School Principal	Absent
Bradley Skelton	Dean of Students/Athletic Director	Present
Matthew Schell	Food Service Director	Absent
Amy Dunn	Director of Special Education	Absent
Keith Harro	Network Administrator	Present
Tim Lagerman	Director of Plant Operations	Present
Richard J. Roberts, Jr.	Solicitor	Present

OTHERS

Sarah DeSantis of "The News Item", Justin Strawser of "The Daily Item" and no 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:

Reorganization and Regular Meeting, December 3, 2014 as per attached pages.

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

VI. Motion to Approve the Agenda:

David Bartholomew made the motion and Marlin Yeager, Jr. seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed by Acclamation.

VII. Administrative Reports:

A. Superintendent
No report.

B. Business Administrator
No report.

C. Principals
Mrs. Menko reported on the recent visits of the Elementary students to the Northumberland County Career and Technology Center which was coordinated by Mrs. Kruskie. She also reported on Elizabeth Young's achievement as "Storyteller" of the week which is sponsored by "The Sentinel" and Mid Penn Bank. Mrs. Menko also announced the Fourth Grade students of the Elementary Choir will be visiting the Penn State Campus to perform the National Anthem on February 18, 2015 at a basketball game.

Mr. Roadcap reported the Secondary students are currently taking the Keystone Exams. The archery equipment has been received and will be transitioned into the physical education program during the third semester. "The Sentinel" did an article on the wagon wheel benches being constructed by the Industrial Arts students.

D. Property Committee
No report.

E. Policy Committee
No report.

F. Fiscal Committee
No report.

G. Personnel Committee
No report.

- H. Northumberland County Career & Technology Center Report
Mr. Campbell reported the next meeting is tomorrow night.
- I. Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Report
No report.
- J. Tax Collection Committee
No report.

Solicitor Richard Roberts announced there was an executive session prior to tonight's meeting to meet with counsel concerning litigation matters, discuss personnel matters and to discuss collective bargaining issues.

VIII. ACTION ITEM

A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

1. **Treasurer's Report**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the Treasurers Cash report and all check from all funds within the Line Mountain School District for the period ending January 7, 2015 as per attached pages.

2. **Exonerations/Appeals for Local Tax Collectors**

The administration recommends approval of the Exonerations/Appeals of Local Tax Collectors for the 2014 taxes as per attached page.

3. **Delinquent Tax Exonerations**

The administration recommends approval of exonerations submitted by Statewide Tax Recovery, Inc. as per attached page.

4. **Server Maintenance Renewal Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the renewal of Next Business Day hardware maintenance on (4) Dell Servers from Dell Computer, Corp, Round Rock TX, at a cost of \$3,170.66 to run January 23, 2015 through June 4, 2017.

5. **Software Maintenance Renewal Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the renewal of the annual maintenance on Engineer's Toolset software from Solarwinds, Inc. Dallas, TX at a cost of \$395.00 to run February 11, 2015 through February 11, 2016.

6. **Asset Control Solutions Contract Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve and authorize Administration to execute a contract with Asset Control Solutions, Inc., of Schaumburg, IL to inventory, evaluate and report on the buildings, movable assets and site improvements of the Line Mountain School District at a cost of \$4,800 and a monthly maintenance fee of \$44.95 as per attached pages.

Mr. Rapant explained the most recent asset control was done in 2007. He is recommending an update to the asset control report at this time.
7. **2015 Mileage Reimbursement Rate Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve an increase in the district mileage reimbursement rate from \$0.56 to \$0.575 per mile effective January 1, 2015.
8. **Dental Screening Agreement**
Be it recommended that the Board approve Dr. John Horn of Hegins, PA to provide dental screenings for students in Kindergarten or First Grade, as well as Third and Seventh grades for the 2014-2015 school year at a cost of \$2.00 per student.
9. **2014-2015 High School Prom Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve holding the high school prom at Masser's Catering, Paxinos, PA on May 2, 2015 from 6:30 to 10:30PM. Cost to be determined at a later date with the funds to be taken from the junior class.
10. **2015-16 Budget**
Administration recommends that the Board adopt the Accelerated Budget Opt Out Resolution Certifying Tax Rate within Inflation Index for 2015-16 (page 39).
11. **2014 Single Audit Report Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve the 2014 Single Audit Report prepared by Wagner, Dreese, Elsasser & Associates, PC for the 2013-14 school year.
12. **Reading Textbook Purchase Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve the purchase of new Reading materials for 5th, 6th, and 8th grade through Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Orlando, FL at a cost of \$20,862.12.
13. **7th Grade Reading Textbook Purchase Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve the purchase of new 7th grade Reading materials through Pearson Education, Lebanon, IN at a cost of \$306.57.

14. **LM Jazz Band Stage Band Application Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve permission to the Line Mountain Jazz Band to submit a stage band application to WVIA Chiaroscuro Jazz Conservancy, Pittston, PA to participate in a day clinic along with a studio taping of the performance. The date (Spring 2015) will be determined upon acceptance of the application by WVIA with an estimated cost to the district of \$600.00.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by David Bartholomew and seconded by Marlin Yeager, Jr. to approve Item Numbers A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8, A9, A10, A11, A12, A13 and A14 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

1. **Day to Day Substitute Teacher**

The administration recommends approval of the following day to day substitute teacher for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>
Barton Philipps	Biology & Chemistry

2. **Coaches/Advisors**

a. The administration recommends approval of the following coaches/advisors for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Christine Sanders	Musical Director	\$1,425.00
Holly Scheib	Head Girls Softball Coach	\$1,540.00
Douglas Fessler	Asst. Girls Softball Coach	\$1,440.00
Kam Traugh	Asst. Girls Softball Coach	\$1,390.00

b. The administration recommends approval of the following resignations of coaches/advisors for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Thad Swinehart	Head Girls Soccer Coach	November 21, 2014
Tara Deljanovan	Drama Advisor	December 16, 2014

David Bartholomew questioned the resignation of Troy Swinehart. Mr. Campbell reported he has not submitted his resignation at this time.

3. **Student Teacher Approval**

The administration recommends approval of Taylor Rhodes from Bloomsburg University to student teach with Larry Fisher for the Spring 2015 semester which runs January 20 through March 13, 2015.

4. **After School Tutor and Detention Personnel Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the following personnel for after school tutoring and detention for the 2014-2015 school year. Salaries at \$22.00 per hour as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement for work beyond the school day:

Nicole Hickoff Matthew Masters
Dylan Yoder (his effective date is 12/18/2014)

5. **Classified Personnel**

A. The administration recommends approval of the resignation for the purpose of retirement for Sandra Bingaman, Cafeteria Worker at the middle high school effective December 31, 2014.

B. The administration recommends approval of the transfer of Debra Bordner, cafeteria worker from a 5 hour position to a 5 ½ hour position effective January 14, 2015.

C. The administration recommends approval of the transfer of Danielle Minnier, cafeteria worker from a 4 hour position to a 5 hour position effective January 14, 2015.

D. The administration recommends approval of the employment of Cassandra Paul as a 4 hour part time school year cafeteria worker at a salary of \$8.00 effective January 14, 2015.

E. The administration recommends approval of the employment of Linda Derck as a 3 hour part time school year cafeteria worker at a salary of \$8.00 effective January 14, 2015.

6. **Substitute Classified Personnel**

The administration recommends approval (pending clearances) of the following day to day substitute classified personnel for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Diana Strohecker	Substitute Cafeteria Worker	\$7.25

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Marlin Yeager, Jr. and seconded by Ronald Neidig to approve Item Numbers B1, B2, B3, B4, B5 and B6 and carried by a vote of 8 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 2014-2015 school year as per attached page.

2. **Field Trips Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the following field trips for the 2014-2015 school year as per attached page.

Mrs. Hackenburg expressed her appreciation for the continuing field trip activities and requested a listing of full grade level field trips.

3. **Homebound Instruction Approval**

The administration recommends approval to provide homebound instruction for an 8th grade student at the Line Mountain Middle School as per letter from the student's doctor and parents. Salary at \$22.00 per hour as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement for work beyond the school day.

4. **Explore Bowhunting Program Approval**

Be it recommended that the board approve the Explore Bowhunting curriculum developed by the PA Game Commission and the Archery Trade Association to implement at the high school at no cost to the district.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by David Bartholomew and seconded by Marlin Yeager, Jr. to approve Item Numbers C1, C2, C3 and C4 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

This Item Was Voted On Separately.

5. **Student Disciplinary Agreement Approval**

Motion to approve an Agreement pertaining to a student disciplinary matter.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by David Bartholomew and seconded by Ronald Neidig to approve Item Number C5 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no and 1 abstention on roll call vote with Daniel Zablosky abstaining.

IX. Public Comment:

A Lower Mahanoy Township resident expressed his concern regarding the settlement of the oil spill cleanup issue. Solicitor Richard Roberts explained the District is awaiting the Court's decision on the matter and no action will be taken until a determination is made.

Board Comment – None.

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 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary