

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

September 22, 2015

I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM at the Line Mountain Middle / Senior High School Cafeteria.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

David Bartholomew	Present
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Present
Linda Gutkowski	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	Present
Lamont Masser	Present
Lawrence Neidig, Treasurer	Present
Ronald Neidig	Present
Marlin Yeager, Jr.	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	Present
Bradley Skelton	Dean of Students/Athletic Director	Present
Jamie Shiko	Food Service Director	Absent
Amy Dunn	Director of Special Education	Present
Keith Harro	Network Administrator	Present
Tim Lagerman	Director of Plant Operations	Absent
Richard J. Roberts, Jr.	Solicitor	Present

OTHERS

Justin Strawser of "The Daily Item" and approximately fifty members of the general public were present.

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

V. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting, August 25, 2015 as per the attached pages.

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

VI. Motion to Approve the Agenda:

Ronald Neidig made the motion and David Bartholomew 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
No report.
- 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
No report.
- I. Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Report
No report.
- J. Tax Collection Committee
No report.

VIII. **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

This Item Was Voted On Separately.

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 September 15, 2015 as per attached pages.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Lamont Masser and seconded by Ronald Neidig to approve Item Number A1 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no and 2 abstentions on roll call vote with Lamont Masser and Marlin Yeager, Jr. abstaining.

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

The administration recommends approval of the Exonerations/Appeals of Local Tax Collectors for the 2015 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. **Food Service Agreement Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve a food service agreement for 2015-2016 school year between Line Mountain School District and Shamokin Area School District for the Northumberland County Career & Technology Center and authorize Administration to execute the agreement as per attached pages.

5. **ACT 1 Application Outsourcing Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve a contract with Berkheimer OneSource, Bangor, PA for printing and mailing of the 2015 Line Mountain Homestead Farmstead (ACT 1) Applications.

Cost:

Printing, mailing, forms and envelopes	\$0.315 each
Current estimated postage	\$0.42

6. **iPad Minis and Charging Cart Purchase Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve the purchase of 30 Apple iPad (16 GB) minis with a 1 year warranty at a cost of \$7,020.00 and a charging cart for the iPads at a cost of \$2,199.00 for a total cost of \$9,219.00 all from Apple Education, Austin, TX.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by David Bartholomew and seconded by Dennis Erdman to approve Item Numbers A2, A3, A4, A5 and A6 and carried by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

1. **Maternity Leave Approval**

A. The administration recommends approval of maternity leave for employee #1046 starting September 9, 2015 with an approximate return date of November 9, 2015. Employee will use all sick and personal time.

B. The administration recommends approval of maternity leave for employee #0914 with an anticipated start date of November 9, 2015 and approximate return date of December 7, 2015. Employee will use all sick and personal time.

2. **2015-2016 Work Beyond The School Day Approval**

A. The administration recommends approval of the following personnel for work beyond the school day for the 2015-2016 school year at the LMEA contracted rate of \$22.00 per hour:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Lon Balum	Civil Rights Data Collection Reporting	24.5
Carl Krause	Alternative Education Application Process	6
Candace Adams	Kindergarten Orientation Nursing Duties	3

3. **Coaches/Advisors**

A. The administration recommends approval of the resignations for the following coaches/advisors:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Chelsea Smeltz	MS Field Hockey Coach	8/24/15
Melanie Fowler	Fall Cheerleading Advisor	8/28/15
Melanie Fowler	Winter Cheerleading Advisor	8/28/15

B. The administration recommends approval (pending all required paperwork) for employment the following coaches/advisors for the 2015-2016 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Michelle Riehl	Fall Cheerleading Advisor	\$1,450.00
Scott Kissinger	Assistant Girls Soccer Coach	\$1,300.00
Alexis Schaffner	Vocal Director	\$1,450.00
Alexis Schaffner	Musical Director	\$1,425.00
Alexys Bixler	Vocal Director	\$1,450.00

David Bartholomew thanked Chelsea Smeltz and Melanie Fowler for their service to the District.

4. **2014-2015 Support Personnel Approval**
The administration recommends approval of the following support personnel for the 2014-2015 school year:

Statistician/Scorekeeper
Kurt Mace
5. **Uncompensated Leave Approval**
The administration recommends approval of uncompensated leave for Donna Mattern, teacher aide at the Line Mountain Middle School from September 21, 2015 through September 28, 2015 for personal reasons.
6. **Volunteer Approval**
The administration recommends approval for Abby Menko to volunteer at the Line Mountain Elementary School as a cafeteria worker and teacher aide for the 2015-2016 school year with the assistance of her habilitation counselor, Annette Erdman from Northumberland County pending all required paperwork.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Marlin Yeager, Jr. and seconded by Lamont Masser to approve Item Numbers B1, B2, B3, B4, B5 and B6 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 2015-2016 school year as per attached page.
2. **Field Trips Approval**
The administration recommends approval of the following field trips for the 2015-2016 school year as per attached page.

Lauren Hackenburg questioned if the Band Day field trip to the Bloomsburg Fair would still take place. Mr. Campbell responded provisions are being made to assure the students will attend the event.

This Item Was Removed From The Agenda.

3. **First Reading of Policies Approval**

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

- 001, Name and Classification as per attached pages.
- 004, Membership as per attached pages.
- 007, Distribution/Access as per attached pages.
- 104, Nondiscrimination in Employment/Contract Practices as per attached pages.
- 105, Curriculum Development Pages as per attached pages.

This Item Was Removed From The Agenda.

4. **Second Reading of policy Approval**

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

- 100, Comprehensive Plan as per attached pages.
- 101, Mission Statement/Vision Statement/Shared Values as per attached pages.
- 102, Academic Standards as per attached pages.
- 217, Graduation Requirements as per attached pages.
- 819, Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response as per attached pages.

This Item Was Voted On Separately.

5. **Use of Facility**

The Line Mountain Baseball Boosters request the use of the Line Mountain High School cafeteria on Sunday, February 14, 2016 (snow make-up date Sunday, February 21, 2016) from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM for a basket bingo fund raiser.

The Board reviewed previous discussion on Sunday events being held in the District. The current position of the Board is to discontinue Sunday activities at the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Ronald Neidig and seconded by Marlin Yeager, Jr. to approve Item Number C5 and carried by a vote of 5 yes, 4 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote with Dennis Erdman, Linda Gutkowski, Lamont Masser and Lawrence Neidig casting the negative votes.

6. **Memorandum of Understandings Approval**

Motion to approve Memorandum of Understandings between Zerbe Township Police Department, Lower Mahanoy Township Police Department, Pennsylvania State Police and the Line Mountain School District.

7. **2015-2016 Bus Schedules and Drivers Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the bus driver list and bus schedules (schedules in board packets) for the 2015-2016 school year 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 Linda Gutkowski to approve Item Numbers C1, C2, C6 and C7 and carried by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

IX. Public Comment:

Mark Shearer spoke on behalf of Line Mountain Education Association. He is hopeful that the Board and professional staff members could meet after tonight's board meeting with productive results.

Mitch Troutman of Zerbe Township commented the teachers deserve a fair contract.

Jean Spieles of Zerbe Township remarked on her experience as a student at Line Mountain School District as having been very positive experience. She commented on District raises, grade alignment, the District website and bussing issues as well.

Laurie Johnson of Lower Augusta Township asked when the next meeting would take place to discuss negotiations. President Laudenslager replied a meeting would take place later tonight. She commended Jill Lundy for her participation in the looping program.

Board Comment:

President Laudenslager commented on the purpose of the District website as to present information to the general public. Lauren Hackenburg also commented the meeting minutes are conveniently available to the taxpayers as well as being posted on the website.

X. Motion to Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dennis Erdman made the motion and Lawrence Neidig seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary

