

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING

I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School Library.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

David Bartholomew	Present
Michael Bordner	Present
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Present
Linda Gutkowski	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	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	Absent
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	Absent
Timothy Lagerman	Director of Plant Operations	Absent
Richard J. Roberts, Jr.	Solicitor	Present

OTHERS

Sarah DeSantis and Larry Deklinski of "The News Item", Justin Strawser of "The Daily Item", Mark McDade and approximately eighty 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. Motion to Approve the Agenda:

Dennis Erdman made the motion and Ronald Neidig seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed by Acclamation.

Solicitor Richard Roberts announced there was an executive session prior to tonight's meeting to discuss collective bargaining issues and a student disciplinary matter.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. FISCAL - None

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michele Erdman, resident of Washington Township, commented that the Arbitrator has made a ruling as a mutual party. She asked that the Board vote yes to the proposed agreement and do what is right for the community.

Penny Balavage, resident of Zerbe Township, commented on the past expenditures of the District and asked that the Board accept the Arbitrator's decision and allow the District to move forward.

This Item Was Voted On Separately.

1. **Arbitration Case #01-15-0005-2549**

Motion to reject the Determination of the Arbitrators in AAA Case #01-15-0005-2549.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

President Laudenslager read several paragraphs of the Arbitrator's report. He announced the Board would follow the recommendation of the school solicitor, Richard Roberts, to vote against the report due to several violations to the Pennsylvania School Code, specifically negotiating class size and maintaining a specific number of teachers in a contract.

Moved by Lauren Hackenburg and seconded by David Bartholomew to approve Item Number A1 and carried by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no and 0 abstention on roll call vote.

This Item Was Voted On Separately.

2. Step Movement Approval

Motion to implement the proposal set forth in the letter dated May 9, 2016, from Benjamin L Pratt, Esquire, to Mark McDade (a copy of which is attached hereto) pertaining to step movement, contingent upon the acceptance and approval of the Line Mountain Education Association.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

President Laudenslager read a letter from Mr. Benjamin Pratt addressed to Mr. Mark McDade proposing moving professional employees to their appropriate step for the 2015-2016 school year. It also provided information on retroactive pay for the previous pay periods of the 2015-2016 school year.

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

C. POLICY AND PROGRAM - None.

VII. Public Comment – None.

Board Comment:

Solicitor Richard Roberts explained the actions moving forward at this time. Since the Arbitrator's determination has been rejected by the Board, the two parties will continue with the bargaining process. It could be possible for either party or the Pennsylvania Department of Education to file an injunction and force the matter to a court mandated decision.

Mr. Campbell explained the seniors will be attending school during the impending strike days with Administration assuming the teaching responsibilities. Graduation and the Prom will be held according to the present schedule.

VIII. 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 6:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary

