

## LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MINUTES

#### BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

March 26, 2019

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

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

#### **BOARD DIRECTORS**

Michael Bordner	Present
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Present
Linda Gutkowski	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Paul Kolody	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	Present
Lawrence Neidig	Absent
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 / Board Treasurer	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	Present
Amy Dunn	Director of Special Education	Present
Keith Harro	Network Administrator	Present
Douglas Wolfe	Director of Plant Operations	Present
Richard J. Roberts, Jr.	Solicitor	Present

#### **OTHERS**

Chris Grego of "The News Item", Justin Strawser of "The Daily Item", the Middle and High School Archery Teams and Michael Buriak, members of the Randy Weiser Family and Lydia Bomgardner and Queenlyn Zartman and several 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, February 26, 2019 as per attached pages.

Linda Gutkowski 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:

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

VII. Administrative Reports:

A. Superintendent

Mr. Campbell had Mr. Buriak present the Line Mountain Archery teams who recently participated in the State Championship Event at Penn State University. Coach Buriak commended the athletes on their commitment to the sport enabling them to secure various positions on the podiums including two overall State Championship positions. Coach Buriak thanked the Board of Education and Administration for their support for the program.

Lydia Bomgardner and Queenlyn Zartman gave a presentation on The Randy Weiser Outdoor Classroom Project Proposal. The Classroom is to be situated in the courtyard area of the complex. Phase One of the project is to begin in the spring of 2019 with hardscaping. Phase Two consisting of construction of benches and table building is scheduled for the summer and fall of 2019. The Third Phase will be completing the landscaping during the spring and summer of 2020. Sponsors will maintain the outdoor classroom except for the usual maintenance of mowing the grass and spraying the weeds. The Board voted on Agenda Item C6 to approve the Project.

Mr. Campbell presented board members with a printout on the Line Mountain Cyber School Dilemma. He reviewed Cyber School concerns statewide, tuition costs for Line Mountain Cyber School versus outside schools, current proposed legislation, budget impact, 2018-2019 Line Mountain Cyber School enrollment, attendance and costs and possible solutions to the Cyber / Charter School System.

Kaitlin Long addressed the Board requesting permission to include a Memorial Page in the 2019 Yearbook for two students who passed away, one from cancer and one from suicide. The Board discussed the matter and referred to the District Policy which prohibits the memorializing of a suicide event, thus disallowing the memorial page in the yearbook.

B. Business Administrator

No report.

C. Principals

Mrs. Menko reported on current Elementary School activities.

D. Property Committee

Doug Wolfe reported on the cleaning of the maintenance shed and asked the Board's permission to present items of value no longer needed by the District to be offered for open bidding for a period of two weeks. Any items not sold will be disposed with the items deemed to have no value.

Doug Wolfe also presented the Board with a printout from Frank's Electric on the findings for the well at the football field. The Board asked Doug to secure more information on the existing well and present it to the Board.

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 the Board approve the Treasurers Cash report and all checks from all funds within the Line Mountain School District for the period ending March 20, 2019 as per attached pages.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Dennis Erdman and seconded by Linda Gutkowski to approve Item Number A1 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no and 1 abstention on roll call vote with Troy Laudenslager abstaining.

2. **Delinquent Tax Exonerations**  
The administration recommends approval of exonerations submitted by Statewide Tax Recovery, Inc. as per attached page.
3. **Budget Transfer Approval**  
The administration recommends approval of the 2018-2019 budget transfers as per attached page.
4. **Backup software Maintenance Renewal Approval**  
Be it recommended the Board approve to renew the Veritas Tape Backup software maintenance with CDW, Vernon Hills, IL at an annual cost of \$1,402.19 running from April 14, 2019 through April 13, 2020.
5. **Summer Elementary Library Program Approval**  
Be it recommended the Board approve to operate a Summer Library Program at the Line Mountain Elementary School from July 9, 2019 through August 1, 2019 staffed by one teacher and one paraprofessional for a total of 27 hours each, not to exceed \$1,200.00.
6. **National School Lunch and Breakfast Program**  
Be it recommended that the Board approve participation in the USDA Donated Commodity Program and National School Lunch and Breakfast Program for the 2019-20 school year.
7. **Engagement of Mullen Coughlin LLC Approval**  
Motion to ratify the engagement of Mullen Coughlin, LLC.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Ronald Neidig and seconded by Michael Bordner to approve Item Numbers A2, A3, A4, A5, A6 and A7 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 Approval**  
The administration recommends approval (pending all required paperwork) for the following substitute teachers for the 2018-2019 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>
Rita Palasek	CSIU Guest Teacher
Adeline Wolfe	CSIU Guest Teacher

2. **Work Beyond the School Day Approval**

A. Be it recommended the Board approve the following teachers for work beyond the school day at the LMEA contracted price of \$25.00 per hour for the 2018-2019 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Brigette Styer	Detention	Up to 10
Melinda Masser	Detention	Up to 10
Julie Masser	Detention	Up to 10
Kam Traugh	Middle School Yearbook	12.5
Lori Hackenberg	Middle School Yearbook	12.5

B. Be it recommended the Board approve work beyond the school day for the following classified personnel at their regular hourly rate for the 2018-2019 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Betty Jean Reiner	Field Trips/Extra Curricular Activities	up to 10	\$16.15
Linda Long	Field Trips/Extra Curricular Activities	up to 10	\$12.80
Kathleen Spotts	Field Trips/Extra Curricular Activities	up to 10	\$14.30

3. **Volunteer Tutor Approval**

The administration recommends approval for Emily Zerbe, Bloomsburg University student, to volunteer as a tutor for the Science department for at least 15 hours for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.

4. **Student Teacher Approval**

The administration recommends approval (pending clearances) for Lucy Ferruzza from Susquehanna University to student teach with Dana Brown for the first half of the Fall 2019 semester and authorize the superintendent to execute the Memorandum of Understanding as per attached pages.

5. **Uncompensated Leave Approval**

Be it recommended the Board approve the following uncompensated leave days for the 2018-2019 school year:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Reason</u>
#2315	March 5, 2019	Health
#0350	March 8, 2019	Travel
	March 11, 2019	Health
	May 8, 9 and 10, 2019	Travel
#0938	March 8 2019	Travel
	April 4, 5 and 10, 2019	Travel
	May 8, 9 and 10, 2019	Travel
#6198	March 8 and 21, 2019	Family Necessity
	March 11, 2019	Family Necessity
#0222	March 13, 2019	Health
	May 8, 9 and 10, 2019	Travel
#8775	March 11, 13, 14 and 15, 2019	Health & Family Necessity

6. **School Board Director Resignation Approval**

Be it recommended the Board approve the resignation of Lawrence Neidig, School Board Director from Region I effective March 26, 2019.

Dennis Erdman thanked Lawrence Neidig for his years of service as a School Board Director and stated he will miss his wealth of knowledge and presence.

7. **Coaches/Advisors Approval**

The administration recommends approval (pending all required paperwork) for The following coaches/advisors for the 2018-2019 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
John King	Volunteer Baseball Coach	\$-0-
Willy Reiner	Volunteer Baseball Coach	\$-0-
Zach Bobb	Volunteer Baseball Coach	\$-0-

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Paul Kolody and seconded by Marlin Yeager, Jr. to approve Item Numbers B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6 and B7 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 2018-2019 school year as per attached page.

2. **Field Trips Approval**

A. The administration recommends approval of the following field trips for the 2018- 2019 school year as per attached page.

B. The administration recommends approval for 10 students and 2 teachers to participate in Stem Day at the Line Mountain Elementary School on March 28, 2019 at a cost of \$300.00 with funds to be taken from the Line Mountain Elementary budget.

3. **Use of Facility Approval**

The Line Mountain Soccer Boosters request the use of all athletic fields, parking lots, middle school bathrooms, stadium concession stand, press box, and scoreboards on June 22, 2019 from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM with a rain date of Sunday, June 23, 2019 for their annual 7v7 soccer tournament.

4. **Co-Curricular Activity Club Approval**  
The administration recommends approval of the Line Mountain MS Builders Club to be reinstated to the co-curricular activity clubs.
  
5. **First Reading of Policies Approval**  
Be it recommended the Board approve first reading of the following policies:
  - 218 Student Discipline, as per attached pages
  - 218.1 Weapons, as per attached pages
  - 218.2 Terroristic Threats/Acts, as per attached pages
  - 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying, as per attached pages
  - 251 Homeless Students, as per attached pages
  - 815 Technology, as per attached page
  - 815.1 Acceptable Use of Technology by Students, as per attached pages
  - 815.2 Internet Web-Site, as per attached pages
  - 815.3 Acceptable Use of Technology by District Employees, as per attached pages
  - 901 Public Relations Objectives, as per attached pages
  - 902 Publications Program, as per attached page
  - 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings, as per attached pages
  - 904 Public Attendance at School Activities, as per attached pages
  - 905 Citizen Advisory Committees, as per attached page
  - 906 Public Complaints, as per attached pages
  - 918 Title I Parent Involvement, as per attached pages

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Michael Bordner and seconded by Paul Kolody to approve Item Numbers C1, C2, C3, C4 and C5 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

**This Item Was Voted On Separately.**

6. **Randy Weiser Outdoor Classroom Proposal Approval**  
Be it recommended the Board approve the project proposal for the Randy Weiser Outdoor Classroom at no cost to the District except for the usual maintenance of mowing and spraying.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Linda Gutkowski and seconded by Lauren Hackenburg to approve Item Number C6 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

**This Item Was Voted On Separately.**

**7. Ratification of Liberty Football Division Approval**

Motion to ratify the Football Program going to the Liberty Division.

Bradley Skelton presented a compilation of athletic leagues in the area and explained the options available to Line Mountain School District for the football program. He is suggesting that Line Mountain proceed by moving to the Liberty Division for the football program. All other sports will proceed as they have in the past.

**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 C7 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 1 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote with Lauren Hackenburg casting the negative vote.

**VIII. Public Comment – None.**

Board Comment:

President Laudenslager appointed Lauren Hackenburg to complete the three-year term on the CSIU Board of Directors through June 30, 2022 filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Lawrence Neidig.

Solicitor Richard Roberts announced there was an executive session prior to the board meeting this evening to discuss personnel matters and consult with council.

**IX. Motion to Adjourn:**

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dennis Erdman made the motion and Linda Gutkowski seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman  
Board Secretary



