

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

July 28, 2020

I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM at the Line Mountain District Office Building as a Zoom virtual meeting.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

**BOARD DIRECTORS**

Michael Bordner	Absent
Dennis Erdman, Vice President (Arrived 6:52)	Absent
Linda Gutkowski	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Paul Kolody	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	Present
Ronald Neidig	Present
Marlin Yeager, Jr.	Present
Patty Troutman, Secretary, Non-Member	Present

**ADMINISTRATION**

David M. Campbell	Superintendent	Present
Kaitlin Rosselli	Business Manager	Absent
Jeffrey S. Roadcap	Secondary School Principal	Absent
Jeanne Menko	Elementary School Principal	Present
Jeffrey Lagerman	Middle School Principal	Present
Bradley Skelton	Dean of Students/Athletic Director	Present
Brad Shrum	School Psychologist	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
Antonio Michetti	School Solicitor	Present

**OTHERS**

Justin Strawser of "The Daily Item", and approximately 100 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:

Ronald Neidig made the motion and Linda Gutkowski seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed by acclamation.

## VI. Administrative Reports

### A. Superintendent

Mr. Campbell opened his comments by welcoming and thanking the on line guests for their participation during the meeting tonight. An Alert Now message will go out to residents announcing the posting of the meeting on the District website for those who wish to review the presentation.

Mr. Campbell presented a Power Point presentation reviewing the District reopening plans. The scheduled first day of school has been changed from August 17, 2020 to August 24, 2020 to allow for additional supplies and building preparations for the school opening as well as aligning with the school calendars of Mount Carmel and Shamokin School Districts. Currently there are three options being considered for reopening school. Option 1 allows for 100% In-Person or 100% On-Line Instruction. Option 2 is a hybrid option utilizing a blended reopening which balances in-person learning and remote learning for all students. Finally, Option 3 is total remote learning for all students. The ultimate goal is to have students in the classrooms for in-person instruction. There is a Phased Reopening Health and Safety Plan Template which consists of 44 pages of information relating to the guidelines for instructional and non-instructional school reopening activities posted on the District website.

Mr. Campbell reviewed the growing cost Cyber Schools and reported on the cost to District residents for those Line Mountain students attending Cyber Schools other than the Line Mountain Cyber School.

On August 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Line Mountain In-Service days will consist of Microsoft Teams Training with instructors from Microsoft being on site.

### 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.

VII. **ACTION ITEM**

A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT- None.

- 1. **Flexible Instructional Day Application Approval**  
The administration recommends the Board approval of our Flexible Instructional Day (FID) application for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school year as per attached pages.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

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

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

- 1. **Work Beyond the School Day Approval**  
Be it recommended the Board approve the following teachers for work beyond the school day for Extended School Year preparation at the LMEA contracted price of \$25.00 per hour for the 2019-2020 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Heather Troutman	50
April Shaffer	10
Kyle Rebuck	15
Briana Wagner	10

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 Number B1, and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

C. POLICY AND PROGRAM

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

1. **Families First Coronavirus Response Act Emergency Leave Provision Approval**

The administration recommends board approval of The Families First Coronavirus Response Act Emergency Leave Provisions as an attachment for policies 335, 435, and 535 as per attached pages.

2. **First Reading of Policy Approval**

Be it recommended the Board approve the first reading of the following policy:

- 816, Livestream Video as per attached pages.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Marlin Yeager, Jr. and seconded by Ronald Neidig to approve Items Number C1 and C2 and carried by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

VIII. Public Comment:

Approximately twenty-five members of the public related their questions or concerns through the chat capability of the Zoom Meeting. Administrators followed their questions with current plans for reopening the school buildings. Parents are being asked to screen their students each day prior to entering a school bus or school building to prevent exposure as much as possible. Students will be given masks to begin the school year and are allowed to wear their own masks if so desired. Parents are encouraged to drive their students to school to minimize the number of students needing transportation. Students will not be allowed to have on demand busing changes. The established busing information will be followed with no daily exceptions. Students will move from classroom to classroom rather than teachers moving from their classrooms. The Elementary building has four areas which will be used for recess allowing the students to be spread over larger areas and limit oversized groups. Ms. Menko reported on the Kindergarten Meet and Greet where teachers will be meeting with seven families at a time spread out through the week of August 11, 2020. She also reported on the efforts and plans to serve meals to the students while maintaining social distancing guidelines. Ms. Dunn reported on the special efforts underway for IEP and special needs students with teachers reaching out to establish individualized student plans as needed. Mr. Lagerman reported on the incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade students being welcomed to set up a meeting to tour the facility and become familiar with the campus. Music, Physical Education and fall sports will proceed with extra cautions being observed. Mr. Campbell emphasized the District will attempt to maintain flexibility and accommodate parents' concerns through the reopening phase.

Board Comment:

Lauren Hackenburg thanked Mr. Campbell and the administration for their continuing efforts working with Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Center for Disease Control in preparations for the upcoming school year. She also asked for the names of contact persons for community residents to reach out to for guidance and answers to their questions and concerns for the upcoming school opening. Mr. Campbell recommended residents call the appropriate school building office as a starting point.

Solicitor Antonio Michetti announced there was an executive session prior to the board meeting tonight from 5:30 to 6:30 to discuss personnel matters.

IX. Motion to Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dennis Erdman made the motion and Lauren Hackenburg seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman  
Board Secretary