

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS REORGANIZATION MEETING December 2, 2020

Reorganization of Board

I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:44 PM as a Zoom Virtual Meeting.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

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

ADMINISTRATION

David M. Campbell	Superintendent	Present
Kaitlin Rosselli	Business Manager	Present
Jeffrey S. Roadcap	Secondary School Principal	Present
Jeanne Menko	Elementary School Principal	Present
Jeffrey Lagerman	Middle School Principal	Present
Bradley Skelton	Asst Secondary School Principal/Athletic Director	Present
Brad Shrum	School Psychologist	Present
Jamie Shiko	Food Service Director	Absent
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 45 members of the general public were present.

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

Notice: In accordance with Section 401 of the Public School Code this meeting is being conducted for the purposes of reorganization of the Board of School Directors of the Line Mountain School District.

V. Routine:

- A. Nomination and election of a Temporary President by the hold-over board members.

President Laudenslager called for the nomination of a Temporary President. Lauren Hackenburg nominated Dennis Erdman as the Temporary President. There were no further nominations. The nomination passed by Acclamation.

Dennis Erdman assumed the chair as the Temporary President.

- B. Nomination and election of a President.

Temporary President, Dennis Erdman, called for the nomination of a President. Lauren Hackenburg nominated and Linda Gutkowski seconded the nomination of Troy Laudenslager as President. There were no further nominations. The nomination passed by a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 1 abstention on roll call vote with Troy Laudenslager abstaining.

Troy Laudenslager assumed the chair as the President

- C. Nomination and election of a Vice President.

President Laudenslager called for the nomination of a Vice President. Ronald Neidig nominated and Lauren Hackenburg seconded the nomination of Dennis Erdman for Vice President. There were no further nominations. The nomination passed by acclamation.

- D. Nomination and election of a PSBA Legislative representative.

President Laudenslager called for the nomination of a PSBA Legislative Representative. Dennis Erdman nominated and Ronald Neidig seconded the nomination of Linda Gutkowski as the PSBA Legislative Representative. There were no further nominations. The nomination passed by acclamation

E. President shall appoint Vo-Tech Representatives.

President Laudenslager appointed Dennis Erdman and Linda Gutkowski as Northumberland County Career & Technology Center Representatives.

VI. Public Comment – None.

Board Comment - None.

VII. Motion to Adjourn:

Ronald Neidig made the motion and Linda Gutkowski seconded the motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting at 6:49 PM. The motion carried by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary

LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING

December 2, 2020

I. President Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:49 PM at the Line Mountain Middle/High School Library as a Zoom virtual meeting.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

Michael Bordner	Absent
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Present
Linda Gutkowski	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Paul Kolody	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	Present
Ronald Neidig	Present
Marlin Yeager, Jr. (Departed 7:40 pm)	Present
Patty Troutman, Secretary, Non-Member	Present

ADMINISTRATION

David M. Campbell	Superintendent	Present
Kaitlin Rosselli	Business Manager	Present
Jeffrey S. Roadcap	Secondary School Principal	Present
Jeanne Menko	Elementary School Principal	Present
Jeffrey Lagerman	Middle School Principal	Present
Bradley Skelton	Asst Secondary School Principal/Athletic Director	Present
Brad Shrum	School Psychologist	Present
Jamie Shiko	Food Service Director	Absent
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

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

V. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting, November 24, 2020 as per attached pages.

Linda Gutkowski made the motion and Paul Kolody seconded the motion to approve the above minutes. The motion passed by acclamation.

VI. Motion to Approve the Agenda:

Ronald Neidig made the motion and Paul Kolody seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed by acclamation.

VII. Administrative Reports

A. Superintendent

Mr. Campbell presented a report on cyber school tuition costs and enrollment figures, estimating the cost for 2020-2021 to be near one million dollars, an increase over 2019-2020 of approximately \$317,000.00. The cyber schools are allowed to increase their tuition even though they are maintaining a significant fund balance. 2020-2021 Line Mountain Cyber School tuition cost is \$4,200.00 per year. This compares to an alternative cyber school regular education cost of \$12,609.98 and special education cost of \$26,458.85. He presented links for the general public to review the data he offered.

Mr. Campbell also reported on the latest COVID-19 numbers and presented charts available on The Pennsylvania Department of Education's website. The charts recommend guidelines for school districts relative to the student population and the number of COVID-19 cases in a building. The guidelines recommend cleaning specific areas or the entire school, Altering school schedules or closing school for up to 14 days, and quarantining of those with close contact. Line Mountain School District will attempt to maintain proactive measures to safeguard in person schooling based on reviewing the data on a day to day basis.

B. Business Administrator

Ms. Rosselli briefly explained the Act 1 Index which requires school districts to seek voter approval for tax increases greater than the Act 1 Index. The Act 1 Index is the state's measure for determining property tax increases justified by wage inflation. She also explained the Accelerated Budget Opt Out Resolution, agenda item A6, ensuring the District's intention to adopt a budget for the following year without increasing the real estate tax by more than the index.

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
Dennis Erdman reported the Career Center will hold their reorganization meeting on December 9, 2020.
- I. Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Report
No report.
- J. Tax Collection Committee
No report.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

1. **Check Report Approval**
Motion to approve payment of invoices for the General Fund, Food Service Fund, Payroll, Capital Reserve Fund and Student Activity Fund for the period ending November 24, 2020 as per attached pages.
2. **December Bill Payment Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve payment of December 2020 bills subject to ratification at the January 2021 meeting.
3. **Exonerations/Appeals for Local Tax Collectors**
The administration recommends approval of the Exonerations/Appeals of Local Tax Collectors for the 2020 taxes as per attached page.
4. **Medical & Vision Insurance Rate Approval effective 1-1-2021 Through 12-31-2021**
Be it recommended the Board approve the contract with Capital Blue Cross for medical and vision insurance coverage effective 1-1-2021 through 12-31-2021 at no increase from last year's rates and authorize Administration to execute the agreement as per attached pages.

5. **Dental Insurance Rate Approval effective 1-1-2021 through 12-31-2021**
Be it recommended the Board approve the contract renewal rates with Delta Dental for dental insurance coverage effective 1-1-2021 through 12-31-2021 at no increase from last year's rate as per attached pages.
6. **2021-2022 Budget**
Motion to adopt the Accelerated Budget Opt Out Resolution Certifying Tax Rate within Inflation Index for 2021-2022 as per attached pages.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Ronald Neidig and seconded by Linda Gutkowski to approve Items Number A1, A2, A3, A4, A5 and A6 and carried by a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

1. **Mentor Teacher Approval**
The administration recommends approval of the following teacher as a Mentor teacher for the 2020-2021 school year at a rate of \$500.00 as per the collective bargaining agreement:

Rodney Knock with Dane Tarantelli at the high school.
2. **Middle School Yearbook Advisor Position Approval**
Be it recommended the Board approve creating a position for Middle School Yearbook Advisor including a stipend of \$1,500.00.
3. **Coaches/Advisors Approval**
Be it recommended the Board approve Lori Hackenberg to the position of Middle School Yearbook Advisor at a salary of \$1,500.00 for the 2020-2021 school year.

4. **Superintendent Contract Modification Approval**

Be it recommended that the Board approve modifying Appendix B, Subsection 1 for fringe benefits of the current superintendent contract to include the clause which will read –“Provided however that the Superintendent shall not be required to make any contributions towards the premium, therefore.”

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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

Moved by Ronald Neidig and seconded by Paul Kolody to approve Items Number B1, B2, B3 and B4 and carried by a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

C. POLICY AND PROGRAM

NONE

IX. Public Comment – None.

Board Comment:

President Laudenslager reported the District may consider proceeding with on line learning for the week of January 4, 2021 to January 8, 2021 as a proactive measure after the holiday break.

Bradley Skelton reported the archery program will initiate after the start of the new year even though the majority of other schools have opted out of competitions.

Solicitor Michetti announced there was an executive session prior to the meeting tonight whereby personnel and legal matters were discussed.

X. Motion to Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Linda Gutkowski made the motion and Paul Kolody seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary