LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING January 11, 2011

I. President Troy Laudenslager called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School Library.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call:

BOARD DIRECTORS

David Bartholomew	Present
Bryan Buddock	Present
Denise Clouser	Present
Dennis Erdman, Vice President	Present
Lauren Hackenburg	Present
Troy Laudenslager, President	Present
Lamont Masser	Present
Lawrence Neidig, Treasurer	Present
Charles Sample	Absent
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
Carl Krause	Assistant Secondary School Principal	Present
Thea Tafner	Elementary School Principal	Absent
Lance Adams	Coordinator of Students/Athletics & Activities	Present
Amy Jo Adams	Food Service Director	Present
Amy Dunn	Director of Special Education	Absent
Keith Harro	Network Administrator	Present
Tim Lagerman	Director of Plant Operations	Present
Richard J. Roberts, Jr.	Solicitor	Present

OTHERS

Rick Dandes of "The Daily Item", Thomas Lesko of "The News Item" and several members of the general public were present.

IV. Recognition of Public: 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 Bryan Buddock seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed by Acclamation.

VI. Reports

A. Superintendent

Mr. Campbell explained that due to the inclement weather Joshua Bower from Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates - Architects will not be attending tonight's meeting. He will instead attend the January 25, 2011 board meeting and provide information on the storage facility as well as an update on the Dalmatia renovation project.

B. Business Administrator

Mr. Rapant provided 2011-2012 proposed preliminary budget expenditures and revenues and a report on the millage increases. He briefly discussed the estimated expenditure increases relative to last years budget. He also provided a summary of the expenses to date on the Leck Kill renovation project.

C. Principals

Mr. Campbell reported that Jeffrey Roadcap has a principal's report available on the Line Mountain School District website.

D. Property

Mr. Lagerman reported on the estimate of the demolition of the recently purchased house adjacent to the Leck Kill Elementary School. Estimates for demolition of the structure are approximately $15,000.00. He also reported on the asbestos present in the window glazing of the structure which could be left in place for the razing of the structure. The asbestos siding on the shed would have to be removed prior to demolition of the shed. Mr. Lagerman commented that he is asbestos removal certified and could do the removal of the asbestos siding himself.

Tim Lagerman also addressed the Trevorton Elementary and Jr/Sr High School auditorium curtain replacement issue. A representative from Janson Industries of Canton Ohio recently inspected the curtains. It is his recommendation that since the curtains at Trevorton Elementary do meet the flame resistance code it would be possible to reverse the curtains so as to hide the tear and it is not essential that the curtains be replaced at this time. The High School curtain rigging is not in need of replacement but is in need of some maintenance. The black cyclorama curtains are in need of replacement and if the main curtains were cleaned they could be retained for an additional five to eight years.

Mr. Lagerman provided there should be agenda items regarding the Leck Kill demolition project and the curtain replacement on the January 25, 2011 agenda.

E. Policy

No report.

F. Fiscal

No report.

G. Personnel

No report.

H. Northumberland County Career & Technology Center
No report.

I. Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Report
No report.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. FISCAL

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

1. **Delinquent Tax Exonerations**
The administration recommends approval of exonerations submitted by Statewide Tax Recovery, Inc. as per attached page.

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

2. **Exonerations/Appeals for Local Tax Collectors**
The administration recommends approval of the Exonerations/Appeals of Local Tax Collectors for the 2010 taxes as per attached page.

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

3. **Change Order Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve the following change orders as per attached pages:

Change Order #	Project	Contractor	Amount
7	Leck Kill Elem.	Frank's Electrical	$747.19
8	Leck Kill Elem.	Frank's Electrical	$2,046.00

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

4. **2011 Mileage Reimbursement Rate Approval**
Be it recommended that the Board approve an increase in the district mileage reimbursement rate from $0.50 to $0.51 per mile effective January 1, 2011.

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

5. **Preliminary Budget Public Inspection Display**
Motion to authorize the display for public inspection, with a starting date of January 17, 2011, the 2011-2012 proposed Preliminary Budget.

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

Moved by Dennis Erdman and seconded by Bryan Buddock to approve Item Numbers A1, A2, A3, A4 and A5 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

B. PERSONNEL

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

1. **Internship Approval**
The administration recommends approval for Anne Smith, a student at Bloomsburg University to complete 700 hours of internship in School Counseling with Carol Kruskie, Elementary School Counselor effective January 12, 2011. She has submitted her course syllabus and appropriate clearances.

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

2. **Tutor Approval**
The administration recommends approval of Amy Wilson as an after school tutor, not to exceed four hours per week. Salary is per the Collective Bargaining Agreement for work beyond the school day.

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

3. **Work Beyond the School Day Approval**
The administration recommends approval of Lori Brown for work beyond the school day at the rate of $22.00 per hour for 13 hours to work on Study Island.

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

This Item was voted on with Item Numbers B9, B10 and B11.

4. **2010-2011 Support Personnel Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the following support personnel for the 2010-2011 school year:

Game Managers	Clock Operators & Statisticians
Jon Raker	Randy Schaffner
Michael Reed	Darrell Byerly
Denya Stahl	Debra Shaffer
Shelley Herb-Fausey	Bill Maurer
Sophia Molesevich	Samantha Strohecker
Jordan Taraschuk	Meadow Walshaw-Wertz
	Seth Lansberry
	Nathan Levan
Ticket Sellers	Courtney Bonawitz
For MSGBB	Michelle Menko
Madeline Reed	Jade London
	Lynn Fremlin
	Sophia Lansberry
	Mary Erdman
	Amanda Klinger

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

5. **FMLA Approval**

The administration recommends approval of Family Medical Leave for Employee #5837 commencing November 29, 2010 through January 2, 2011.

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

Dennis Erdman questioned why employees are being referred to by an employee number rather than by name. Solicitor Richard Roberts remarked that it was his suggestion to change from identifying employees by name to an employee number for confidentiality purposes.

6. **Student Teacher Approval**
The administration recommends approval of the following student teachers:

a. Jamie Brumgard of Bloomsburg University to student teach Biology at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School beginning on January 19th through May 4th.

b. Jedidiah Carr of Bloomsburg College to student teach English at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr high School beginning on January 19th through March 10th.

c. Amanda Caudle of Liberty University to student teach 7th grade Math at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School beginning on January 18th through May 11th.

d. Ryan Redfern of Susquehanna University to student teach 8th grade Social Studies at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School beginning on January 18th though April 15th.

e. Alyssa Caracausa of Susquehanna University to student teach 8th grade English at the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School beginning on January 18th through April 15th.

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

7. **Substitute Classified Personnel**
The administration recommends approval of the employment of the following personnel:

Name	Position	Salary
Angela Long	Substitute Custodian	$7.67

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

Moved by Dennis Erdman and seconded by Bryan Buddock to amend the above motion to the correct hourly rate of $7.25 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

8. **Uncompensated Leave Approval**

The administration recommends approval of the following uncompensated leave for the 2010-2011 school year:

Name	Dates	Type
Lisa Williard	2/14 – 18/2011	Travel

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

Moved by David Bartholomew and seconded by Lamont Masser to approve Item Numbers B1, B2, B3, B5, B6, B7 and B8 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, o no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

This Item was voted on with Item Numbers B4, B10 and B11.

9. **Retirement Approval**

Be it recommended to approve the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Thea Tafner, Elementary Principal effective January 7, 2011.

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

This Item was voted on with Item Numbers B4, B9 and B11.

10. **Interim Principal Hire Approval**

Motion to employ Donna Politza ("Politza") as a per diem substitute to fill the vacancy in the position of Elementary Principal on a temporary basis until the District hires a permanent Elementary Principal, but not beyond the 2010-2011 school year, and to approve an agreement with Politza including, inter alia, the following provisions:

1. Politza shall perform all the duties of the position of Elementary Principal as outlined in the District's job description therefor four (4) days per week.

2. The District shall compensate Politza on a per diem basis in the gross amount of $325.00 for each working day which Politza devotes to the District and shall deduct from said amount all federal, state and local taxes as well as any and all normal other normal or customary deductions for an employee.

3. Since Politza is an annuitant under the Public School Employee's Retirement System, District shall make no contribution to Politza's account for services performed under the contract.

4. Politza shall not receive any fringe benefits from District.

RECOMMENDED ACTION
That the Board of School Directors
approve the above personnel action

This Item was voted on with Item Numbers B4, B9 and B10.

11. **Advertising Approval**
Be it recommended to approve advertising for an Elementary Principal.

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

Moved by Lauren Hackenberg and seconded by Bryan Buddock to approve Item Numbers B4, B9, B10, and B11 and carried by a vote of 8 yes, o no and 0 abstentions on roll call vote.

C. POLICY AND PROGRAMS

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

1. **Faculty Conferences Approval**
The administration recommends approval of Faculty Conferences for the 2010-2011 school year as per attached page.

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

2. **Field Trip Approval**
The administration recommends approval of Field Trips for the 2010-2011 school year as per attached page.

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

3. **Use of Facility**
The Line Mountain Baseball Boosters request the use of the Line Mountain Jr/Sr High School cafeteria, hallway, and concession stand on Sunday, February 13, 2011 from 12:00 to 6:00 PM for a basket bingo fundraiser.

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

4. **Grant Application Approval**
Be it recommended to approval Ian Snyder second grade teacher at Dalmatia Elementary School to submit an application to Learner's Edge for a grant in the amount of $600.00 to enhance his technological capabilities through the purchase of an iPad. If approved the iPad will be used in his classroom to enhance instruction.

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

5. **Weight Room Use Release Approval**
Be it recommended to approve the release for Use of the Weight Room as per attached page.

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

Lawrence Neidig questioned the reason for the above waiver. Lance Adams replied that the original intention of the weight room was to make the facility available to the public after school hours. The waiver is necessary to accommodate making the facility available to adult members of the general public for liability concerns.

Moved by Lawrence Neidig and seconded by Lauren Hackenberg 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.

President Laudenslager announced at 6:59 the need for an executive session to consult with counsel regarding a personnel matter. The meeting reconvened at 7:48.

VIII. Public Comment- None

Board Comment:
Lawrence Neidig questioned the progress on the sound equipment for the auditorium and gymnasium. Lance Adams reported that there will be a proposal to be considered at the February 15, 2011 board meeting.

Lauren Hackenberg requested the financial status on the Leck Kill project. Philip Rapant provided a spreadsheet to all board members showing expenses to date and a balance of approximately $374,000 to be taken from the Capital Reserve Fund.

There was a brief discussion regarding the timeline for advertising for an elementary principal.

IX. Motion to Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dennis Erdman made the motion and Bryan Buddock seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Troutman
Board Secretary