

Unapproved Minutes of the April 14, 2014 Regular Board Meeting  
All motions approved by unanimous roll call votes unless otherwise indicated

The LTSD Board of Education met in a Regular meeting on April 14 19 @ 7:34pm in the board room, public notice having been given in accordance with Pa.C.S.A. § 709 (Sunshine Act) & LTSD Procedure 006. President Lombardi, called the meeting to order and had the Secretary call the roll. Present: Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Lombardi, Dr. Mould, Mr. Mulhern, Mrs. Selwood, Mr. Stark, Mr. Strauch, Mr. Thorne. Administrators present: Mr. Kordish, Mr. Homish, Mrs. Joyce, Ms. Russell, Mr. Rakauskas, Dr. Stoker, Dr. Murphy

Motion that the minutes from the March 19, 2014 special meeting be approved as submitted. Passed 8-1, Mr Strauch voting "NO" citing that the meeting did not comply with the 'public notice' provision as required by 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 703 and § 706 (Sunshine Act) and the School Board policy #006. Mr. Lombardi commented "so noted," thus confirming the illegal meeting.

\* Motion by Mr. Mulhern, Mr. Clarke to amend the consent agenda.

\* Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mrs. Selwood that the following consent agenda be approved

\* Move that Treasurer's report be approved as submitted.

\* Move that the following names be added to the District substitute list, all clearances on file:

Hannah Whitney	Nicholson	Teacher Assistant
Kristin Riley	Scranton	English

\* Move that the Lackawanna Trail School District approve the following textbook adoptions: Grades 9-12 Graphic Communications I Graphic Communications 5th Ed – Goodheart-Wilcox publisher 2010

Approx cost \$1848 for 28 texts

For Photography:

Photography – Goodheart-Wilcox publisher 2012 Approx cost \$968 for 15 texts

\* Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Stark that Janeen Nieratko's **tendered** letter of resignation be accepted, effective June 30, 2014, with regret

\* Motion by Mrs. Selwood, Dr. Mould that Janice Joyce's letter of resignation be accepted, effective June 30, 2014, with regret. Passed 8-0-1 Mr. Strauch abstaining.

\* Motion by Mrs. Selwood, Mr. Bianchi that Dr. Tania Stoker be appointed Curriculum Director at a salary of \$92,000 as per the Act 93 Contract, effective July 1, 2014

\* Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Thorne that the Lackawanna Trail School District Act 93 Contract be approved

\* Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Bianchi that Christian Sunseri's resignation as assistant boys' basketball coach be accepted, with regret. Passed 8-0-1 Mr. Strauch abstaining.

\* Motion by Mr. Stark, Mrs. Selwood that Kathleen Snyder's resignation as field hockey coach be accepted, with regret. Passed 8-0-1 Mr. Strauch abstaining.

\* Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Stark that Gena Lengel's resignation as assistant field hockey coach be accepted, with regret Passed 8-0-1 Mr. Strauch abstaining.

\* Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Stark that Janeen Nieratko's request to take the sixth grade class to Radio City Music Hall in New York in November 2014 be approved at no cost to the district.

\* Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Mulhern that Matthew Landsiedel be appointed Assistant Football Coach at a stipend of \$3400 as stipulated in the collective bargaining agreement.

\* Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Bianchi that Christian Sunseri be appointed Head Boys' Basketball Coach at a stipend of \$4750 as stipulated in the collective bargaining agreement

\* Motion by Mr. Thorne, Dr. Mould that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.

\* Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Bianchi that Policy #249 entitled Bullying/Cyberbullying be approved for first reading. Passed 8-0-1 Mr. Strauch abstaining.

\* Motion by Mrs. Selwood, Mr. Bianchi that Patricia Carpenter's request to take four students to the K'Nex Competition at Harrisburg University on May 2, 2014 in Harrisburg, Pa, be approved.

The meeting ended when Mr. Lombardi told the public that they may not talk about anything because it might become "discipline" related despite many having signed up requesting to talk on multiple topics. This was Unconstitutional violation of 1st amendment rights, a violation of the Board Procedure #006 that "the public present at a meeting of the Board may address the Board in accordance with the Board's rules," a violation of Board Policy #011 that encourages "Engaging and promoting community support by seeking input" and the Sunshine Act 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 710.1 that allows the public "to comment on matters of concern."

The President further interfered with a Board member's attempt to perform his duty and exercise his right to be informed concerning all aspects of his elected position by shutting down the meeting, by making a motion to adjourn at 9:30 pm.

Motion by Dr. Mould to adjourn at 9:27pm.

There was an Executive Session called at 6:00pm before the meeting to discuss Act 93 contract details, a personnel appointment, and to establish the agenda for the night.

The 'discipline' committee met secretly in violation of Policy #006 and 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 709

\*Items appearing in red are not officially approved or necessarily in the official minutes.