

Unapproved Minutes of the August 11, 2014 Regular Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education met in a Regular meeting on August 11 @ 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. Present: Mr Clarke, Mr Lombardi, Mr Mulhern, Mrs Selwood, Mr Stark, Mr Strauch, Mr Thorne. Absent: Mr Bianchi, Dr Mould. Administrators present: Mr Rakauskas, Dr Murphy, Mr Kelly, Ms Russell, Mr Homish, Mr Kordish.

Motion by Mr Thorne, Mr Clarke that the minutes of the June 30 and July 14 meetings be approved as submitted.
Passed 6-1, Mr Strauch voting "NO" citing that details required by Pa. Law were missing.

Motion by Mr Strauch, Mr Stark that the following motions be approved.

+Motion that the Treasurer's Report be approved as submitted.

+Motion that the Bus Contractor Rate be paid at the State formula for the 2014-2015 school year.

+Motion that the Car/Van Driver Rate be approved at \$1.40/mile, as per the State formula.

+Motion that the following list of bus contractors/contracted drivers be approved for the 2014-2015 school year (all clearances on file):

James A. Nichols, Robert Padula, James Vasky, James Schirg, Mary Smarkusky, Gerry Philo, Sandy Fulkersin, Carol Otto, Timothy Sanko, Bonnie Gregory, JoAnn Ritter, Kevin Weisenfluh, David Vangorder, Anthony Dodge Jr., Allen Wademan, Mark Jarocha, Miles Dooley, Brian Kane, Ed Schlessner

Substitute Drivers: Pat O'Toole, Leslie R. Nichols, James R. Nichols, Brian Schirg, Vladimir Schlasta, William Dobitsch, Chelsey Gumble, Jason Schirg, Gloria Aten, James Gregory, William Smarkusky, Dale Shupp, Sandra Snyder, Susan Davidson, Wayne Beers, Corinna Kinney, Art Carpenter

Private Vehicle Contractors and Substitutes: Kim Button, Francois Geerts, Kathy Geerts, Vince Kalinsoki, Kathy Grushinski, Debbie Hazlak, Theresa Loney, Arlene Sorak, Judith Smith, Gennifer Sutton, Cheryl Sutton, Margaret Burns, Shawnee Baltrusitis, Steven Sorak, D. Wayne Burns, Megan Richards, Brenda Bouch, Mary Schirg, Linell Webster, Kim Rosencrance, Keith Wilkins, Margaret Wilkins, Gloria Stabinski, Constance Hinds, Karl Smith, Linda Kettell, Gretchen Sheposh, David Button, Gayle Demming, Neil Kalus, Derek Buffington, Edward Kuutz, Thomas Wheeler, Robin Hawthorne, James Gray, Edward Cooke, Carol Brecht, Eric Sorak, Bertram Harris, Connie Otto, Peggy McGowan, Paul Smith, Valerie Mallory, David Gower, Jason Loney, Michelle Klinges, Shantel Franklin, Paul Darling.

+Motion that the 2014-2015 list of district substitutes be approved.

+Motion that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.

+Motion that the following tests for use in the 2014-2015 school year:

4Sight Common Core Benchmark Assessments

AIMSweb

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAP)

Boehm Test of Basic Concepts

BRIGANCE Early Childhood Screen III

Classroom Diagnostic Tools (CDT)

Clinical Evaluation of Language Fundamentals (CELF) Screening Test

Diagnostic Achievement Battery (DAB)

Differential Aptitude Test (DAT)

Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) Next

Gray Oral Reading Tests (GORT)

Group Math Assessment and Diagnostic Evaluation (GMADE)

Group Reading Assessment and Diagnostic Evaluation (GRADE)

Kaufman Brief Intelligence Test (KBIT)

Key Math

Keystone Exams

Peabody Individual Achievement Test (PIAT)

Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test (PPVT)

Pennsylvania Alternate System of Assessment (PASA)

Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA)

Phonological Awareness Test (PAT)

Preschool Language Scale Screening Test

Qualitative Reading Inventory (QRI)

Scholastic Math Inventory (SMI)

Stanford Diagnostic Math Test (SDMT)

Stanford Diagnostic Reading Test (SDRT)

Terra Nova & In-View
Test of Cognitive Skills (TCS)
Test of Reading Comprehension (TORC)
Test of Written Language (TOWL)
Wechsler Adult Scale of Intelligence (WAIS)
Wechsler Individual Achievement Test (WIAT)
Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (WISC)
Wechsler Preschool and Primary Scale of Intelligence (WPPSI)
Woodcock Johnson Test of Achievement (WJ)
Woodcock Johnson Test of Cognitive Ability (WJ)
Woodcock Reading Mastery Tests (WRMT)

Motion by Mr Clarke, Mr Stark that policy #217 entitled Graduation Requirements be approved for second reading. Approved 6-1, Mr Strauch voting "NO"

Motion by Mr Stark, Mr Mulhern that Brian Kearney be recommended for appointment as Assistant High School Principal at a salary of \$65,000 as per the Act 93 Contract, effective August 12, 2014.

Motion by Mr Clarke, Mr Stark that Jessica Williams be recommended for appointment as temporary professional Special Education Position at a salary of \$46,000, Bachelor's Column, Step 1, as stipulated in the collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by Mr Strauch, Mr Thorne that Jenna Alderman be recommended for appointment as temporary professional elementary music position at a salary of \$46,000, Bachelor's, Step 1, as stipulated in the collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by Mr Clarke, Mr Mulhern that Robert Smith be recommended for appointment as maintenance II position at a probation rate of \$15.20/hour for 8 hours, as scheduled, as stipulated in the collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by Mrs Selwood, Mr Strauch that Lauren McNamara be recommended for appointment as elementary long term substitute position for the second semester of the 2014-2015 school year at a salary of \$46,000, pro-rated, as per the collective bargaining agreement.

Motion by Mr Strauch, Mr Stark that the Board approve the termination of the current Superintendent's contract set to expire by its terms on June 30, 2016 in order to replace it with a new five year agreement.

Motion by Mr Mulhern, Mr Stark that the Board approve a new Superintendent's contract for Matthew Rakauskas with an effective term commencing August 11, 2014 and ending August 10, 2019.

Motion by Mr Lombardi, Mrs Selwood to amend the agenda to add separate item for approval of the bill listing.

Motion by Mr Clarke, Mrs Selwood that all bills be found to be true and accurate and be approved.

Superintendent: Information about BYOD, Advertising, School calendar, School starting date

E.C. Principal: Information about start of year, Kindergarten camp at Keystone, Kindergarten orientation, Christy Mathewson Days, meeting with Fire and Police safety experts.

H.S. Principal: Welcomed Assistant Principal and Music Educator, thanked Mr. Kordish and his department, information about attending a verbal de-escalation training session.

FOM: Report on fundraiser and Football Stand cleanup.

+Adjourned at 8:11pm.

There was an Executive Session from 5pm to 7:27pm to interview and discuss candidates for the Special Ed and Music positions.

There was an Executive Session from 8:15pm to 9:15pm to discuss Early Bird Negotiations