

## Unapproved Minutes of the March 19, 2014 Special Board Meeting

All motions approved by unanimous roll call votes unless otherwise indicated

The LTSD Board of Education met in a Special meeting on March 19 @ 8:04pm in the board room, public notice **NOT** 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. Rakauskas, Dr. Stoker, Dr. Murphy

The meeting began when Mr. Lombardi, acting according to a lawyer's advice, told the public that they may not talk about anything "discipline" related despite many having signed up requesting to talk on that topic. 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. § 701.1 that allows the public "to comment on matters of concern."

Motion by Mr Clarke, Dr Mould that the minutes from the March 10, 2014 general meeting be approved as submitted. Passed 8-1, Mr Strauch voting "NO" **citing that details required by Pa. School Code #433, the Auditor General, 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 706 (Sunshine Act) and the Pennsylvania School Board Association guideline for Secretaries were missing.**

The President interfered with the Board's furtherance of their duties and responsibilities in voting by dictating that NO DISCUSSION or QUESTIONS would be accepted for the first four items on the agenda in violation of the Board's own Policy #006.

Motion by Dr Mould, Mr. Bianchi that the adjudication for student #14007 be approved. Passed 6-1-2, Mr Strauch voting "NO," Mr Lombardi & Mr Thorne abstaining

Motion by Mr Stark, Mr Clarke that the adjudication for student #14020 be approved. Passed 6-1-2, Mr Strauch voting "NO," Mr Lombardi & Mr Thorne abstaining

Motion by Dr Mould, Mr Mulhern that the adjudication for student #16031 be approved. Passed 6-1-2, Mr Strauch voting "NO," Mr Lombardi & Mr Thorne abstaining

Motion by Mr Clarke, Mr. Stark that the adjudication for student #17128 be approved. Passed 6-1-2, Mr Strauch voting "NO," Mr Lombardi & Mr Thorne abstaining

Motion by Mr Clark, Mr Stark that policy #226 entitled *Search and Seizure* be adopted.

Motion by Mr Clark, Mr Bianchi that John Rushefski's resignation as secondary principal be accepted effective April 11, 2014, with regret. **Mr Rushefski was just appointed Superintendent at Old Forge School District!**

Motion by Mr Strauch, Mr Thorne that Dr. Mark Murphy be appointed secondary principal at a salary of \$85,000, effective April 12, 2014

Presentation by Mr. Strauch that this was National Sunshine Week and how that impacted the transparency of government.

Motion by Mr Lombardi to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

**There was an Executive Session called at 6:40pm before the March 19 meeting to discuss Act 93 contract details (personnel appointment), and address recent student adjudication. There was an Executive Session after the March 10 meeting to discuss possible student matters.**

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