

Unapproved Minutes of the May 11, 2015 Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education met in a Regular meeting on May 11, 2015 @ 7:30pm in the board room, public notice having been given in accordance with Pa.C.S.A. § 709 (Sunshine Act) & LTSD Procedure #006. The President called the meeting to order. Present: Mr. Clarke, Dr. Mould, Mr. Mulhern, Mrs. Selwood, Mr. Stark, Mr. Strauch, Mr. Thorne, absent Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Ross. Administrators present: Mr. Rakauskas, Dr. Murphy, Dr. Stoker, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Kearney, Ms. Russell, Mr. Glynn. All motions approved 7-0, unless otherwise stated.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne, Mr. Clarke to approve the minutes from the April 20 meeting. Passed 6-1, Mr. Strauch voting 'NO' because essential information was missing

+ Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Strauch that Treasurer's Report be approved as submitted.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Mulhern that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.

+ Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Clarke that the following names be added to the substitute list.

Natalie Czyzyk	Scranton	Elem/Mid Math	All Clearances
Kelly Vogt	Scott Twp	Health/PE	All Clearances
Nina Colianni	Dunmore	Social Studies	All Clearances

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mrs. Selwood that the following textbooks be approved:

LEAD 21, Mc-Graw Hill Co. 2011 ~ Grade 5 ~ Approx. cost \$12,100
Common Core Literature, Pearson ~ Grade 7 ~ Approx. cost \$3,444

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Stark that Lackawanna Trail School District's 2015-2016 proposed final budget in the amount of \$ 20, 560, 450 be approved.

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Mulhern that RBC Capital Markets be named as investment banker for the 2015 Lackawanna Trail School District General Obligation Bond/Refinancing Issue.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Thorne that Community Bank NA be designated as Paying Agent for the 2015 Lackawanna Trail School District Bond Issue at a cost of \$1,000/year.

+ Motion by Mr. Mulhern, Mrs. Selwood that Haggerty, Hinton, and Cosgrove be retained as Bond Counsel for the 2015 Bond Issue at a cost of \$10,000 plus filing expenses.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Strauch that Mr. Ronchi (High School guidance counselor) and Mrs. Lombardi (Elementary guidance counselor) each be allocated 8 days of summer employment and that Mrs. Getts and Miss Vennero (High School Guidance Counselors) each be allocated 4 days of summer employment.

+ Motion by Mrs. Selwood, Mr. Clarke that Mary DeNault's request to take an educational sabbatical for the second semester of the 2015-2016 school year and the first semester of the 2016-2017 school year be approved. NOT APPROVED, vote 5-2. Mr. Thorne & Mr. Clarke voted YES.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mrs. Selwood that the proposed 2015-2016 School Calendar be approved.

+ Motion by Mrs. Selwood, Mr. Stark that the first reading of policy #115 entitled Career and Technical Education be approved for first reading.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne, Mr. Strauch Dr. Mould be appointed Treasurer of the Lackawanna Trail School District for the 2015-2016 fiscal year at a corresponding stipend of \$600.

+ Motion by Mr. Mulhern, Mr. Clarke to close nominations for Treasurer.

+ Motion by Mr. Mulhern, Mrs Selwood that Denise Collins' resignation as Student Senate Advisor be accepted, with regret.
Passed 6-1 Mr. Strauch voting NO

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Stark that Dr. Rajah Mulloth be approved as the school district physician for the 2015-2016 school year with a corresponding stipend of \$10,000.

+ Motion by Mrs. Selwood, Dr. Mould to officially suspend the boys' volleyball program for the 2015-2016 school year.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne, Dr. Mould to eliminate the public relations director's position, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

+ Motion by Mr. Mulhern, Mrs. Selwood that the senior class's request to go on a field trip on Dorney Park in Allentown, Pa, on, May 29, 2015, be approved at no cost to the district.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Dr. Mould that Mr. Dalasio's request to take 5 students (stock exchange game winners) to the New York Stock Exchange on, May 15, 2015, be approved at no cost to the district.

+ Motion by Mr. Mulhern, Mr. Clarke that the proposed list of 2015 graduates be approved. Passed 6-1, Mr. Strauch voting NO because the Board has no discretion to approve or reject a list. Policy #217 states that "The Board shall award a high school diploma to every student enrolled in this district who meets the requirements for graduation established by this Board."

Adjournment called by Mr. Thorne at 9:08pm.

There was an Executive Session from 6:30 - 7:18 pm to
+ review the Superintendent's staffing recommendations
+ discuss a litigation case

There was another Executive Session from 9:18 to 10:40 to continue the above discussions with intense concern for the budget

There will be another Executive Session before the next meeting to discuss matters that may arise.