

Lehigh Area School District

Lehigh, Pennsylvania

Regular Meeting of School Board
Monday, October 23, 2017, at 7:00 PM

Executive Session @ 6:15 PM

Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order - A regular meeting of the Lehigh Area School Board was held in the Administration Building, Conference Room A, on the above date and called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Mr. Richard R. Beltz, Member	X	☐
Mrs. Stacey L. Duerst, Member	X	☐
Mr. Duane R. Eidem, Member	X	☐
Mr. Stephen L. Holland, Member	X	☐
Mr. David L. Krause, Vice-President	X	☐
Mr. Larry Stern, Member	X	☐
Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member	X	☐
Mr. Andrew Yenser, Treasurer	X	☐
Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President	X	☐
Mr. Brian Feick, Business Manager	X	☐
Mr. Jonathan Cleaver, Superintendent	X	☐
Attorney William Schwab, Solicitor	X	☐
Mrs. Melissa Wagner, Recording Secretary	X	☐

***Notice of Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. for the purpose of litigation and personnel matters.*

Presentations

1. Title I Parents - SPAC Conference - Mr. Timothy Tkach

- *Presentation for parents who have been involved with the Title Program. Parent involvement is a big factor. Very fortunate to have these parents involved.*
- *On behalf of the district presented a certificate of attendance to Christina Bravo and her husband Alfred and Tanya Heckman.*
- *Parents received a report card from the conference for their attendance at all the workshops.*
- *Thanked the board for their support.*

Tanya Heckman - *Thanked the board for the opportunity. Brought back the idea of "One Book, One School". It is a very good conference.*

- *Looking to do the "One Book, One School" for the district in the spring.*

Mrs. Bowman - *As Title Rep from the board, I want to personally thank the parents. They are very involved, very engaged, and very creative.*

Communications

1. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Cleaver
 - LCCC is working with a donor and their foundation that will be providing scholarships for residents of Lehigh. The scholarships are for high school graduates and returning adults in specific programs. The donor allocated \$150,000 for Lehigh residents to be dispersed over 3-5 years. Thanks to the administration team at LCCC for their continued effort and support for the students of Lehigh Area School District.
 - This week is Red Ribbon Week. The district has many activities and programs scheduled throughout the week and would encourage everyone to check the building websites for updates and schedules of the programs. Our staff has worked with Carbon, Monroe, Pike Drug and Alcohol with putting program and activities together for our students across all grade levels.
 - The final punch list is being completed at the MS and HS. The board has been given a copy of the unforeseen issues that had to be addressed at both buildings. Also included is the areas in which we worked to offset the cost of some of the unforeseen issues. Quandel, our construction manager, has helped with being able to offset the cost with some credits throughout the projects.
2. Finance Report - Mr. Feick
 - Just finished the audit field work. We should have a draft report sometime in November.
 - Started working on next year's budget.
 - Good news, PSERS exceeded their earnings expectations of 7%. They are at 14%. We should see a reduced pension liability in the next few months. Not sure by how much, but it will go down.
3. Board President's Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - On behalf of the Lehigh, like to thank all the community that donated items to our 2 food banks this fall. They collected 738 items to go to Zion and Trinity. Mrs. Carpenter, Mr. Hauser and Ms. Buetti were instrumental in helping with the project.
 - Went to the Franz Kline presentation...everyone did a great job from Mrs. Micheletti, to Mr. Rabenold to Mrs. Evans. Our Music Express students performed as well as the band with the Alma Mater.
 - The MS is excited to have Trout in the Classroom in the science classrooms.
 - Invite all to come to see Cinderella on 11/20 and 11/21 at 7:15 p.m. in the new state-of-the-art MS auditorium.
 - HS is looking to create sketches to do more displays in the HS areas.
 - PALS program to help elementary students will begin soon.
 - Spanish IV students have been selling bracelets.
 - STEAM activities are going well across the district.
 - Mrs. Duerst and Mrs. Bowman participated in 3 intense days at the School Board conferences. A lot of information and workshop sessions on policy, planning and strategies. Been attending for 4 years, have learned that across the country we need to do a better job in the way we address tax issues. One of the things they said about PA is the weighted formula for education funding is a good start. Any increased economic growth is widened in a state willing to invest in both infrastructure and education. Everything with policy must make sure they complement each other. Technology must empower both teachers and students for both to be creators and problem-solvers.
 - Encourage the public to come to committee meetings to learn about the district or ask any board member or administrator. Please read our items on the website. All are posted for public review.

4. Lehigh Memorial Library Report – Mrs. Duerst/Mr. Yenser
 - *Library will meet on October 31, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.*
 - *Hired a new librarian. Her name is Melissa Hawk. She is a Nesquehoning native. She comes to us from the Brandywine Library. We are very excited to have her and hope she brings great things to the community.*
5. Legislative Policy Committee of PSBA Report – Mr. Krause
 - *November ballot question will ask voters whether local taxing authorities should be able to exempt residents from paying property taxes on their homes.*
 - *Advocates for the Property Tax Independence Act say the referendum could help achieve the elimination of school property taxes. If the measure passes, state lawmakers would need to find alternative sources of revenue before taxing authorities could move forward with enacting property tax exemptions. For example, lost property tax revenue would be replaced by raising income and sales taxes. School districts are concerned with loss of local control of education funding. Copies of a synopsis are available that explain what a “yes” vote and “no” vote would be.*
 - *Still no budget resolution in Harrisburg. Talks continue as legislature is back in sessions. Districts are not expected to have any more delays or cuts in payments. Governor Wolf indicated he wants to ensure that schools and human services organizations are provided with needed funding to operate.*
 - *A statewide survey released concluded that a majority of PA school districts are concerned about cybersecurity, but say they don’t have enough resources to prepare for potential breaches. Auditor General DePasquale called for increase state aid, including funding, a resource center and a state agency assigned to assist during emergencies.*
6. Title I Advisory Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - *We had a great Title I Night in October.*
 - *Next Title Night will be November 14th for Math.*
 - *Regular Title Meeting will be held November 17th at 7:45 a.m.*
7. CCTI Report - Mr. Yenser
 - *CCTI has 405 students.*
 - *Senior information night has concluded.*
 - *CCTI presentations have been held at each of the sending districts. Thank you to HS administration.*
 - *Fall Occupational Advisory meetings have taken place.*
 - *Added Monday & Thursday tutoring for students.*
 - *PSAT’s were held on October 11th.*
 - *Hosting Veterans’ Day presentation on November 10th.*
 - *November 14th will be holding the first machining competition at CCTI.*
8. CLIU Report – Mr. Wentz
 - *Met on October 16th at IU headquarters.*
 - *Discussed passing new policies.*
 - *IU is hiring part-time and full-time employees. Checkout website.*
 - *Presentation on early intervention and how it helps students.*
 - *LASD student count is 83.*
 - *Next meeting is November 20th at 6:30 p.m.*
9. Solicitor’s Report – Atty. William Schwab
 - *Written report.*
 - *Auction for Mahoning and East Penn will be held on November 1st at 10:00 a.m. at the administration building. Contacted by 4 prospective bidders. There is interest in the schools. Mahoning initial bid is coming within 10% of appraised value of the building done by an appraiser.*

- *Would like to call the board's attention, particular Mr. Feick, with the Right-to-Know Act. We are now hitting a situation we will need to budget for. 19 of the last 20 requests were from organizations in New Jersey, Florida, out-of-the area. They are asking for all kinds of documents. It's to the point now, I'm talking to the Right-to-Know officer 5-6 times per week. It has become excessive for these commercial and/or non-profit agencies that have a certain political vent and is overwhelming the district. We should make the documents available. It is time and cost to produce the answers. You may have someone working 20 hours per week just to answer these requests.*
10. Building/Grounds Report - Mr. Holland
 - *Met on Tuesday, October 10th.*
 - *Written report*
 - *Stadium access gate has been discussed for months. Thank you to Joe Hauser for getting the information. We are having some issues during the weekend on the field. We are working with the community so everyone can use the stadium. Thank you to the committee and the community.*
 11. LCCC – Mr. Krause
 - *Written report from LCCC.*
 - *Enrollment for summer was up 3% and the 2017-18 fall enrollment was up 3.8%.*
 - *LASD has 168 students enrolled, 60% full-time and 40% part-time.*
 - *Class of fall 2017 honor students from Lehighton are: Courtney Arce, Justice Cressley, Brianna Keiser, Samantha Lambert, Nicholas McGeehan and Sara Serfass*
 - *Mr. Krause read an inspirational letter from a former LCCC adult student from Southern Lehigh.*
 12. Academic Affairs Committee Report – Mr. Stern
 - *STEAM immersion plan presented by Ms. Volcsaki.*
 - *Level-focused Drug & Alcohol programs will be tailored to our grade levels. Will work with CMP Drug & Alcohol.*
 - *HS curriculum changes for 2018-19*
 - *Scheduling update from Dr. Rettig*
 - *Next meeting, Wednesday, December 6th at 4:15 p.m.*
 13. Policy Committee Report – Mr. Krause
 - *Two policies on agenda this evening. No changes from 1st Reading.*
 14. Athletic Committee Report – Mr. Wentz
 - *Great fall season for Lehighton.*
 - *Football, Volleyball and Field Hockey have all qualified for Districts.*
 - *New multi-purpose stadium has not only brought benefits to the district, but also the community. Lehighton just hosted the Schuylkill League soccer playoffs which brought in many people from all over the area which helped the parents club, local restaurants, and gas stations.*
 - *Bowling has been approved as a club in the district.*
 - *Lehighton has applied to host soccer and football district playoffs.*
 - *Booster club football has submitted a request to hold games at our facilities on Sundays.*
 - *9-0 Lehighton takes on 9-0 Jim Thorpe this Friday night. Advanced tickets went on sale today at both schools. Thanked Coaches Lusch and McCarroll. Took a team that no one gave a chance and your dedication is appreciated by this district and this board.*
 - *MS football beat Blue Mountain tonight 34-16.*
 - *Indian Pride Band is still undefeated.*
 15. Wellness Committee Report – Mrs. Duerst
 - *Unable to attend the meeting.*
 - *Next meeting is November 14th.*

Mr. Tkach – Talked about the menus, sales are up, met with Youth Advisory Council. Looking to work with Denise Frey from Blue Mountain Health Systems to do a backpack program for students to take food home for the weekend.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the Minutes of the September 18, 2017, regular meeting.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the Minutes of the October 9, 2017, workshop meeting.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Financial Matter

Activities Fund MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the Lehigh Area High School and Lehigh Area Middle School Activities Fund for September 2017.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Payment of Bills MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the Payment of Bills:

General Fund	\$ 2,343,565.81
--Benefits	\$ 474,192.33
--Payroll (September)	\$ 2,072,049.46
--Debit Card	\$ 2,935.88
Food Service Fund	\$ 85,174.61
Capital Projects	<u>\$ 2,549,126.03</u>
	\$ 7,527,044.12

Note: Members with questions or requesting a copy of any payment, please contact the Business Office prior to the scheduled meeting.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Construction Accounts MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve payment on the following projects from the corresponding construction accounts for a total of \$3,106,663.86 pending documentation verification and solicitor review:

1. **Stadium**

Barry Isett & Associates- Inv. #0116383	\$ 901.51
	<u>\$ 901.51</u>

2. **Middle School**

EI Associates- Inv. #13813, 13814, 13815, 13847, 13848	\$ 15,491.05
Quandel- Inv. #32	\$ 4,825.10
Barry Isett & Associates- Inv. #0116398	\$ 574.98
Jay R. Reynolds- App. #17	\$ 245.00
Lobar, Inc. - App. #20	\$ 195,439.68
Sargent Enterprises, Inc.- App #7	\$ 28,526.82
Pittsburgh Stage- App. # 11178-4	<u>\$ 10,069.20</u>
	\$ 255,171.83

3. **High School**

EI Associates- Inv. #13810, 13811, 13812, 13844, 13845, 13846	\$ 15,144.29
Quandel- Inv. #32	\$ 4,825.10
CSI- Inv. #20174158P	\$ 3,470.53
Lobar, Inc. - App. #20	\$ 232,451.34
Tremco Inc.- App. #3	\$ 43,544.07
Jay R. Reynolds- App. #13	<u>\$ 245.00</u>
	\$ 299,680.33

4. **Elementary Center**

EI Associates- Inv. #13805, 13806, 13807, 13808, 13809, 13840, 13841, 13842, 13843	\$ 68,509.60
Quandel- Inv. #32	\$ 23,439.80
L.J.C. Janitorial Distributors- Inv. #20584	\$ 11,900.00
Phillips Brothers – App. #8	\$ 211,657.49
Lobar, Inc. – App. #11	\$ 1,648,367.05
Jay R. Reynolds – App. #7	\$ 78,221.25
JBM Mechanical- App. #6	<u>\$ 508,815.00</u>
	\$ 2,550,910.19

Mr. Cleaver – We are looking to close out the stadium project. This should be the last bill you will see. We are under the approved budget amount by approximately \$50,000.00.

Mr. Stern – Encourage all to go see the MS renovations especially the auditorium. It is a great educational facility.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

- Treasurer's Reports** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Eidem to approve the following reports:
- a. Budget/Revenue Report
 - b. Treasurer's Reports
 1. General Fund
 2. Capital Reserve Fund
 3. Capital Projects Fund
 4. Food Service Fund

Mr. Stern – Do we track Right-to-Knows separately?

Mr. Feick – We do not but I am considering. It is taking up a lot of the Right-to-Know officer's times. Before it was one request a month, now we are getting 2 or 3 a week.

Atty. Schwab – They are all asking for electronic, and we are not allowed to charge for electronic or for the search fee.

Mr. Stern – We should probably set a budget code aside to know departmental costs.

Mr. Feick – I'm trying to figure out where I can free someone else up. Maybe a deputy Right-to-Know officer.

Mrs. Bowman – Itemize it now to see what we will need to budget down the road.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Occ. Tax Refunds MOTION by Mr. Eidem, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to refund the following:

1. Occupational Tax for year 2016 in the amount of \$245.00 to Ernest H. Miller.
2. Occupational Tax for year 2016 in the amount of \$125.00 to Barry Oswald.
3. Occupational Tax for year 2016 in the amount of \$125.00 to Alice Scitney.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Per Capita/ Occ. Tax MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve exemptions from Per Capita and/or Occupational Tax per the attached list.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Occ. Tax Assess. MOTION by Mr. Holland, SECONDED by Mr. Eidem to approve Occupational Tax Assessment Changes as per the attached list.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Discovery Streaming Agreement MOTION by Mr. Eidem, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the Discovery Streaming Agreement with Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21 for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of \$2,167.67. Funding through the 2017-18 Technology Budget.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Personnel

Substitutes 2017-2018 MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve the attached list of candidates for the **2017-2018 Substitute List** pending clearances.

Mr. Krause - Is it just me or is this a short list?

Mr. Cleaver - It is a short list. We are making efforts to get additional substitutes here as guest teachers through the IU. As mentioned at our conference last week, there is a 60% decrease of individuals graduating with educational degrees from 5-8 years ago.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Ex. Curr. 2017-2018 MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve the **Extra-Curricular** hires for the **2017-2018** school year.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Hires
Approved**

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Eidem to approve the following hires for the 2017-2018 School Year per the professional contract:

1. **Michelle Rohrbach** - Instructor for the High School SAT Prep program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 6 total hours/3 times per year
2. **JoLynn Gazo** - Instructor for the High School SAT Prep program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 6 total hours/3 times per year
3. **Victori DePaulo** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
4. **Gretchen Laviolette** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
5. **Melissa Clark** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
6. **Richard Bennett** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
7. **Beth Daubert** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
8. **Melissa Blocker** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
9. **June Potts** - Instruction for High School Winter School Credit Recovery program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 30 hours

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

**Courses
Approved**

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the following requests for pre-approval of courses/Programs of Study for continuing education:

1. **Brandi Lees** - November 1-December 15, 2017/Effective Use of Mobile Devices in the Classroom
2. **Jessica Schafer** - November 1-December 15, 2017/Effective Use of Mobile Devices in the Classroom
3. **Cory Hartsell** - Wilson College - MET Degree Program - Program of Studies
4. **Tiffany Strausberger** - CLIU Level I Principal Certification - Program of Studies
5. **Daniel Williams** - January 10-February 28, 2018/The Management of Education

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

**Resign.
Accepted**

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to accept the resignation of the following employee:

1. **Tammy Steele** - Lunch-Time Aide - effective October 23, 2017

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Tenure Approved MOTION by Mr. Holland, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the following professional employees for tenure:

1. **Lisa Failla** – Spanish – hired 9/30/14
2. **Kevin Kotch** – Business-Computer-Information Technology – hired 9/30/14
3. **Allison Solley** – Special Education – hired 10/15/14

Mrs. Bomwan – Congratulations to these three teachers.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

FMLA MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Duerst to acknowledge FMLA leave for following employee, not to exceed 12 weeks:

1. **Employee #206** – effective November 14, 2017

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

Sch. Journeys Approved MOTION by Mr. Eidem, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the following School Enrichment Journey requests:

1. **7th & 8th Grade Technology (A. Rex & A. Tobash)** – October 25-November 3, 2017 – 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.- to travel to BTM, Inc., Jim Thorpe for “What’s So Cool About Manufacturing” Video Project (School Van)
2. **Nutrition & Body Shaping (D. Hartney)** – October 30, 2017 – 7:35 a.m.-10:30 .m. – to travel to Canal & Lunch (School Van)
3. **LAHS FBLA (K. Kotch)** – November 5-6, 2017 – 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – to travel to Kalhari Resort for the State Leadership Workshop (Activities Fund)
4. **Nutrition & Body Shaping (D. Hartney)** – A date in November to be chosen by Rodale – 7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. – to travel to Rodale Center, Cedar Crest College for Cardiovascular Enrichment (School Van)
5. **LAMS & LAHS Odyssey of the Mind (B. Hudlow)** – March 10, 2018 – 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – to travel to Pocono Mountain West High School to participate in OM Competition (HS & MS Budgets)
6. **LAMS & LAHS Odyssey of the Mind (B. Hudlow)** – April 7, 2018 – 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – to travel to Pocono Mountain East High School to participate in OM Competition (HS & MS Budgets)
7. **LAHS Prom (D. Hartney)** – May 4, 2018 – 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. – to travel to Blue Mountain Ski Resort for the 2018 Prom (Student Cost)
8. **LAHS Class of 2018 (D. Hartney)** – May 11, 2018 – 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – to travel to Six Flags Great Adventure for the Senior Outing (Activities Fund)
9. **Grade 4 Mahoning (R. Rupell & A. Swanson)** – May 22, 2018 – 8:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m. – to travel to Quiet Valley (PTO Sponsored)

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Student
Teacher**

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to acknowledge the following student teacher:

1. **Emily Mantz**, Kutztown University, Elementary Education, assigned to East Penn Elementary

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Programs

**Use of Sch.
Property**

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Eidem to approve Use of School Property for:

1. **LAHS Class of 2018 (Dorothy Hartney)** - November 3, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. - 2017 Powderpuff Football Game - Multi-Purpose Stadium
2. **Title I Parent Night (Timothy Tkach)** - November 14, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. - Shull-David Multi-Purpose Room
3. **Lehighon Booster Club (Jason Muffley)** - October 29, November 5, or November 12, 2017 - 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. - Playoff Football Games - Multi-Purpose Stadium
4. **LAHS Girls' Basketball (Laura Frey)** - October 24, November 17, and December 14, 2017 - 5:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - Parent Meetings - HS Classroom
5. **Lehighon Area Volleyball Boosters (Jen Haberman & T.J. O'Connor)** - November 5, 2017 - 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - Volleyball Banquet - HS Cafeteria
6. **LAHS Girls' Basketball (Laura Frey)** - December 16, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. - Babysitting Night - HS Gym
7. **LABC Boys' & Girls' Basketball (JD Light)** - November 1-March 16, 2018 (Dates & Times to be determined by AD) - Basketball Practice - MS Gym
8. **Title I Staff (Suzanne Cordes)** - March 2, 2018 - 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - Seussapalooza (Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration) - HS Cafeteria
9. **Carbon County PIAA Basketball Officials (Dan Rossino & Jim Strubinger)** - November 6, 13, 20, 28, December 4, 18, 2107, January 8, 22, 2018 - PIAA Rules Interpretation Meetings - HS Classroom
10. **LABC Wrestling (Mike Gornick)** - December 17, 2017 - 6:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. - Wrestling Matches - HS Gym
11. **Mahoning PTO (Karen Shaffer)** - December 6, 2017 - 3:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. - PTO Holiday Event - Mahoning Multi-Purpose Room, Cafeteria, Classroom & Hallways
12. **Mahoning PTO (Karen Shaffer)** - February 23, 2018 (Snow Date: 3/3/18) - 3:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. - Father/Daughter Dance - Mahoning Multi-Purpose Room
13. **LAHS Red Cross (Lisa Failla)** - November 8, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. - Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser - HS Cafeteria
14. **Ragnar Relay (Olivia Darrow)** - June 16, 2017 - 4:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - Exchange Relay Location #29 - East Penn Front Lawn & Parking Lot

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

**Policies
345, 916**

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the 2nd Reading and adoption of the following Lehigh Area School District Policies:

1. #345 – Identification Badges
2. #916 – School Volunteers

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - _____ ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Old Business for Discussion - None

New Business for Discussion

Mr. Cleaver – We do have a work session scheduled for November 13th. I don't see any items at this time. Is the board okay if we cancel this meeting?

Board was in agreement to cancel the November 13, 2017, board workshop meeting.

Courtesy of the floor / Public Comment

1. Daniel Williams – Shared Vision and Support

- *President of the Lehigh Area Education Association*
- *Thanked the board and administration for their leadership, professionalism and dedication to education and our community.*
- *This board has been faced with many tough decisions. Your decisions have been based on creating a school district that best serves all students. All along the way, you've treated our staff with respect. You have made an investment in education and in our students.*
- *The members of our association, our teachers, guidance counselors, school nurses, fully support you and share your vision for our district. We are excited to see where our district is headed under your guidance and leadership.*
- *Growing up in Lehigh, being educated in our school and returning to teach, I couldn't be more proud of our schools for bolstering our entire Lehigh community.*
- *Over the past several months, many concerned members of our association and in the community, have approached me with some of the things that have been falsely stated about our district. Unfortunately, there is a number of these individuals who are attempting to be divisive, dishonest and negative for their own personal gain.*
- *Under your leadership, coupled with our staff's professionalism, and all of us working together as a team, our schools are flourishing, our students are achieving, and our community is growing.*

Mrs. Bowman – Thank you for the kind comments and thank you staff for supporting the whole district. We have a lot of good things going on and I'm proud of all the accomplishments.

Adjournment

The next regular scheduled meeting is on Monday, November 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - _____ ABSENT - 0 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted



Brian Feick
Board Secretary

(Minutes of October 23, 2017, include Pages 1 through 13.)