

Lehigh Area School District

Lehigh, Pennsylvania

Regular Meeting of School Board

Monday, May 23, 2016 at 7:00PM

Executive Session @ 6:00 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. Byron Arner, Member	X	☐
Mr. Richard R. Beltz, Vice-President	☐	X
Mrs. Marianne Dwyer, Member	X	☐
Mr. Stephen L. Holland, Member	X	☐
Mr. David L. Krause, Member	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** for personnel concerns, Superintendent evaluation, negotiation updates, and any concerns over litigation.

Public Comment on Agenda

1. David Bradley – Agenda Item #8 E – Atty. Schwab as Solicitor

- *He has provided advice to the board like “this board should”. Boards are made of individuals. Without individuals making a motion, this board is powerless.*
- *When Hill, Krause, Resh, Wentz, Zimmerman and Almer all voted unanimously to fix the schools, they saw how our children were at risk. No board member said the magic words, “I move we protect the children by...” For example, I move we protect our children by spending money to fix the existing fire alarm system.*
- *How about we protect the children by keeping the small, safe schools open.*
- *Closing a community schools destroys the community property value by as much as 10%. Wayne Wentz recently sold his house. “Great timing Wayne, by the way”.*

Mr. Wentz – That's personal.

Mrs. Bowman used the gavel at this time to warn Mr. Bradley.

- *FBI Agent Scott Curtis has a few things to say. A very healthy reward has been posted for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of a Lehigh School Board member receiving illegal monetary gain from their position or illegal threats made to one board member to another.*

Mr. Bradley continued to speak after he was told his 3 minutes were up. Mr. Bradley proceeded to hand out paperwork and caused a disturbance. Mrs. Bowman asked Mr. Ebbert to escort Mr. Bradley out.

Mr. Cleaver apologized to the guests in the audience for this being a part of the meeting.

Presentations

Fulbright Scholarship – Ms. Cristi Marchetti

- *Teaches English at Lehigh Area High School.*
- *Ms. Marchetti received the Fulbright Distinguished Award in Teaching.*
- *She and her daughter Vivian will be going to Northern Ireland from February 1 to May 31 to be based out of Queen's University, Belfast.*
- *Will be teaching and attending conferences and Vivian will be attending school there.*
- *Thanked the board for their support.*

At this time, Mrs. Bowman presented and read a "Recognition of Outstanding Service" to Ms. Marchetti.

PaTTAN Writing Cohort – Mrs. Suzanne Howland – PowerPoint Presentation

- *A team from Franklin Elementary was asked by the CLIU to represent the area in a statewide cohort. Donna Halpin from CLIU was instrumental in the process.*
- *The purpose was to embark on a yearlong writing analysis.*
- *Members participating were Lauren Cortright, Laurel Zimmerman, Angela Harris, Suzie Cordes, Patti Ebbert, and Sue Howland.*
- *Focused on styles and types of writing.*
- *A \$10,000 stipend came along with the project for resources, assessment pieces, etc.*

Partners in Academics and Leadership in Schools (PALS) – Mrs. Patricia Ebbert & Ms. Kelly Fritz – PowerPoint Presentation

- *High School students come to the elementary buildings as mentors.*
- *Explained the program to the students and had over 100 students take forms. Students were appropriately trained on how to be a mentor.*
- *Program started March 7 and concluded the 3rd week of May.*
- *Good experience for all involved and would like to continue the program next year.*

2015-16 National Education Foundation Stem+ Academy of the Year – Dr. Appu Kuttan - PowerPoint

- *Mr. Bachert & Mrs. Volcskai did a PowerPoint presentation and introduced Dr. Kuttan. Mr. Bachert also handed out a signed copy of Dr. Kuttan's book to board members and administrators.*
- *Lehigh Area School District won the 2015-16 National Education Foundation Stem+ Academy of the Year Award.*
- *1388 students participated in our school. Making it the biggest academy this year.*
- *Awards given out: Indian Bucks (every 2 weeks), 21 iPads, 450 pizzas, K-6 field trips to Franklin Institute, and \$500 classroom grants to selected teachers.*
- *This is our second year with the program and we are seeing growth with the students.*

Dr. Appu Kuttan

- *United States has 4% of the STEM graduates while China and India have 60%. This is why we teamed up with NEF. We created a holistic system – a learning system to come out with specific skills.*
- *Customized learning for every student. The key is motivation and training the teachers and providing tech support.*
- *Next year we are adding 5 new services.*
- *We were happy to work with everyone here and appreciate the board support.*

Communications

1. **Superintendent's Report – Mr. Cleaver**
 - *Congratulations to Mr. Reichl with his new addition to his family, son Cooper John. Mr. Reichl will be able to attend graduation.*
 - *Preparation is underway for outside/inside graduation. The doors/gates will open at 6:00 p.m. Decision to have it outside/inside will be made by 9:00 a.m. the morning of graduation.*
 - *Stem+ Academy of the Year Program will be held at 9:00 a.m. tomorrow morning at the stadium. A great program is planned for this event.*
2. **Finance Report – Mr. Feick**
 - *Item J on the agenda, the board will vote on the proposed final budget for 2016-17. There is no tax increase. By voting on it tonight, it will allow the public to view it for 20 days.*
3. **Board President's Report – Mrs. Bowman**
 - *Recognized the Envirothon winners: 2nd place – 3rd grade at Franklin, and at East Penn a 3rd place out of 43 teams.*
 - *This month is Red Cross Month and Mr. Ebbert's group raised \$1000 with the Orioles and helping out in the Poconos.*
 - *Mr. Rabenold had the "Operation Never Forget" and they placed 350 flags.*
 - *Our scholarships this past year, we gave out \$163,750 to 59 students with 75 sponsors. Last year was \$161,000 and year before \$146,500.*
4. **Lehigh Memorial Library Report – Mrs. Dwyer/Mr. Yenser**
 - *Nothing to report.*

5. **Legislative Policy Committee of PSBA Report – Mr. Krause**
 - Governor Wolf vetoed new legislation that would stop districts from making teacher layoffs based on seniority vs. evaluations.
 - Legislation is in the works that would subject the governor, lieutenant governor, and state lawmakers to a recall election if another state budget impasse occurs that lasts as long as this year.
 - Nathan Mains, Exec. Director of PSBA, testified last week to the Senate and House Education Committee on the implementation of ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act).
 - The NSBA Advocacy Institute will be held June 12-14, 2016. PSBA has a lot of information on line to access.
 - Legislation that would require high school and middle schools to write and enforce anti-hazing policies is through the Pennsylvania Legislature and on its way to Governor Wolf's desk.
 - PSBA is inviting school boards to submit proposals to be considered for the association's 2017 Legislative Platform. Deadline is June 30.
6. **Title I Advisory Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman**
 - Pool Event June 8 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Rain date is June 9th.
 - Working on Summer Camps for Reading and Math for July and August.
 - Adding a Summer Reading Program for the libraries at Franklin and Shull David. July 20 from 11-1 for Title I Advisory Kick-Off.
 - October 12th – Fall Parent Night
7. **CCTI Report – Mr. Yenser**
 - Two CCTI Lehighton student representatives to speak tonight – Sessa Lenhardt and Mataya Neff.
 - 2nd Annual Golf Tournament was held on Saturday, May 21st.
 - Student Council commenced with their annual aluminum ring tab campaign on April 29th.
 - SkillsUSA – Zachary Seiler, Jocelyn Mansberry, Dan Linendoll, and Blake Davis after placing 1st at the state competition will be heading to Louisville, Kentucky, June 20-24, for the National Leadership and Skills Conference.
 - DECA – traveled to Nashville, Tennessee on April 23-27, for the DECA International Conference.
 - HOSA placed 1st at the state competition and will be attending the HOSA International Conference June 21-26.
 - Health Medical – All nine seniors received their Nurse Aide certification.
 - 98% of our students scored Advanced or Proficient on the NOCTI/NIMS Written Exam.
 - Yearbooks will be in students' hands the week of May 23rd.
 - National Technical Honor Society will be going to Disney World on May 27th.
 - Rotary Interact Community Service Club is actively collecting prescription glasses for recycling.
 - Two students, Brittney Marzen and Hunter Simmons, passed the LCCC Chemistry entrance exam.
 - CCTI welding and auto collision repair students worked with Lehighton's "Class of 1964" to construct a cart for Lehighton's new "spirit bell".
 - HOBY – Evan Moretz attended the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference at Shippensburg University.
 - Modular Home Project – The project is now complete and the home was transported and delivered to a foundation at Lake Hautau.

8. CLIU Report – Mr. Wentz
 - Met on May 16th at 6:45 p.m.
 - Lehighton has 73 active students with the CLIU.
 - The CLIU recognized Lehighton for winning the STEM National Award.
 - Next meeting is June 20th.
9. Solicitor's Report – Attorney William Schwab
 - Written report
10. Building/Grounds Report - Mr. Holland
 - Met May 10th.
 - Summer list of projects for maintenance and grounds.
 - Security lighting under home bleachers.
 - Removal of old post at baseball field has been done.
 - Thanked maintenance staff for building ticket booths at the stadium.
 - Replaced fire alarm panel at East Penn.
 - Removal of bleachers at old stadium.
11. LCCC – Mr. Krause
 - Commencement was held at the PPL Center on May 18th.
 - Top students were:
 - 57 year old man, a single dad, laid off from his IT job and completed his degree in biology while working and raising 5 children.
 - 19 year old women who came from the Dominican Republic just 5 year ago and only knew 6 words of English.
 - A lot of opportunities at LCCC.
12. Academic Affairs Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - Next meeting is June 1st at 4:15 p.m.
13. Policy Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - Food Service and Conflict of Interest for 1st reading tonight.
 - Next meeting is July 6, at 4:15 p.m.
14. Athletic Committee Report – Mr. Wentz
 - Students-athletes had outstanding seasons:
 - Tegan Durishin and Joshua Knappenberger qualified for Districts in Tennis
 - Our baseball team made Districts and will play Northwestern tomorrow.
 - Our softball team just missed Districts by one game.
 - Our track team had a great season.
 - Connor Frey, Tegan Durishin, Zach Kemmerer and Wyatt Clements were all selected to the PIAA all-academic team for wrestling.
 - Connor Frey and Wyatt Clements also received a scholarship from the PA Wrestling Coaches Association. This is the first time that there were 2 students from the same high school. Only 4 scholarships presented throughout the state.
15. Wellness Committee Report – Mr. Beltz
 - No Report.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the Minutes of the April 25, 2016, regular meeting.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - ____ Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mrs. Dwyer to approve the Minutes of the May 9, 2016, workshop meeting.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - ____ Motion carried.

Financial Matter

Activities Fund MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the Lehigh Area High School and Lehigh Area Middle School Activities Fund for April 2016.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - ____ Motion carried.

Payment of Bills MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the Payment of Bills:

General Fund	\$ 1,758,078.00
--Benefits	\$ 532,650.76
--Payroll (March)	\$ 1,305,387.92
--Debit Card	\$ 1,487.05
Food Service Fund	\$ 73,143.68
Capital Projects	\$ 550,776.68
Athletic Fund	\$ 18,981.89
Athletic Proj. Fund	<u>\$ 21,498.41</u>
Total	\$ 4,262,004.39

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

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - ____ Motion carried.

Construction Accts. MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve payment on the following projects from the corresponding construction accounts for a total of \$604,985.66:

1. **Middle School Abatement**
N/A

2. **Stadium**
Barry Isset & Associates – Inv. #0105499 \$ 6,232.46
CMG of Easton, Inc. – Application #11 \$110,515.40
\$116,747.86

3. **Middle School**
EI Associates – Inv. #P10000013349, #P10000013314
#P10000013285, #P10000012736 \$ 20,041.67
Jay R. Reynolds, Inc. – Application #2 \$187,965.45
Lobar, Inc. – Application #1503600003 \$138,433.64
Quandel – Inv. #14 \$ 16,545.50
\$362,986.26

4. **High School**
EI Associates – Inv. #P10000013276, #P10000013311,
#P10000013347, #P10000012737, #P10000013348,
#P10000013331, #P10000013284 \$40,463.19
Jay R. Reynolds, Inc. – Application #2 \$58,558.50
Borough of Lehighton – Inv. #10012255 \$ 3,000.00
Quandel – Inv. #14 \$16,545.50
\$118,567.19

5. **Elementary Center**
EI Associates – Inv #P10000013347, #P10000012449 \$6,684.35

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Reports MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser 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

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

**Appoint
Solicitor**

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to recommend the District appoint and retain William G. Schwab as the Solicitor for the 2016-2017 school year at an hourly rate of \$155.00 per hour.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Psych. Ser.
J. Schwab**

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve contract between James Schwab, Clinical Psychologist Services, and the Lehigh Area School District for school year 2016-2017, in the amount not to exceed \$38,880.00, to be paid from IDEA Funding (2016-2017).

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Sargent Ent.
Bleachers**

MOTION by Mr. Holland, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the change order as recommended by the Building & Grounds Committee with Sargent Enterprises, Inc. to remove and remediate the lbp coated bleachers at the former stadium at a cost of \$39,975.00.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Technology
Pool - CLIU**

MOTION by Mr. Wentz, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the Agreement between the Lehigh Area School District and Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21 to participate in the Technology Education Legal Pool Counsel consortium. The technology pool provides proactive strategies, training and policies designed to prevent digital-age problems that can lead to liability. The cost to the district would be no more than \$900.00 for the 2016-2017 school year.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**STEM
Immersion**

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the STEM Immersion Planning Service through Asset STEM Education at a total cost of \$3,550.00. The training will begin July 12 & 13, 2016. Funding will be provided through NEF STEM + stipend money for the 2016-2017 School Year.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

2016-2017 Prop. Budget MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the proposed final budget for the 2016-2017 General Fund Budget (no real estate tax increase proposed).

Roll Call Vote:

	Yes	No	Absent	Abstention
Mr. Byron J. Arner, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Richard R. Beltz, Vice-President	☐	☐	X	☐
Mrs. Marianne Dwyer, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Stephen Holland, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. David Krause, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Larry Stern, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Andrew Yenser, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President	X	☐	☐	☐

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Comp. Waived MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mrs. Dwyer that the Treasurer be authorized to have his compensation waived for the 2015-16 school year.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

~~L. MOTION by _____, SECONDED by _____ that the line item budgeted as compensation for Treasurer be transferred to community library support line item and the additional sum paid to the Lehigh Area Memorial Library.~~

~~VOTE: YES _____ NO _____ ABSENT 1 ABSTENTIONS _____~~

Item L taken off table.

2016-2017 Treasurer President calls for nominations for School Board Treasurer per policy #005 for a one (1) year term, effective July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, at an annual rate of \$800.00.

President calls for other nominations.

MOTION by Mr. Krause , SECONDED by Mrs. Dwyer to close nominations.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Wentz , SECONDED by Mr. Stern to elect Andrew Yenser, as Treasurer.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Personnel

Ath./Extra Curr. Hires MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the **Athletic & Extra-Curricular, Team Leader, Department Head, and Head Teacher** hires for the 2016-2017 school year (per attachment).

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Course Approvals

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

1. **Kali Andrew** - School Nurse Certification - Program of Studies
2. **Kali Andrew** - August 24-October 10, 2016 - Sociology of Education
3. **Kali Andrew** - October 17-December 3, 2016 - Special Education Overview
4. **Karen Blisard** - June 1-July 15, 2016 - Moving Math: How to Use Differentiated Mathematics Stations.
5. **Adrienne Fedor** - August 29-December 17, 2016 - Methods of Research
6. **Angela Harris** - August 29-December 16, 2016 - Nature & Needs of Exceptional Individuals
7. **Suzanne Howland** - June 1-August 12, 2016 - The Superintendent as Leader in Special Education
8. **Trevor Miller** - May 10-June 23, 2016 - Utilizing Emerging Technologies to Improve Learning
9. **Trevor Miller** - July 18-August 4, 2016 - Cognition
10. **Norine Zehner** - July 18-August 4, 2016 - Cognition

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

FMLA Leaves

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mrs. Dwyer to acknowledge FMLA leave for the following employees, not to exceed 12 weeks:

1. **Employee #1141**- effective August 29, 2016
2. **Employee #1070** - effective September 6, 2016

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Math Hire MOTION by Mr. Holland, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the
B. Lees recommendation to hire the following employee in accordance with the respective
contracts, pending clearances:
1. **Brandi Lees** – Secondary Math Teacher for the 2016-2017 school year –
Bachelor's – Step 1 - \$40,850.00

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

Summer MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the recommendation
Hires to hire the following summer positions as per hourly rate in Collective Bargaining
Agreement:
1. **Thomas Weidner** – Summer Band – Grades 5/6
2. **Beth Hudlow** – Summer Band – Grades 7/8
3. **Ellen Perkins** – Summer Band – Grade 7/8 - Volunteer
4. **Bryan Buffington** – Band Camp (HS)
5. **Michael Lusch** – Summer Physical Education Class (HS)
6. **Richard Bennett** – Summer School (HS) (as needed)
7. **David Hauser** – Summer School (HS) (as needed)
8. **Justin Fritz** – Summer School (MS) (as needed)
9. **Ashley Lichtenwalner** – Summer School (MS) (as needed)
10. **Norine Zehner** – Summer School (MS) (as needed)
11. **Melissa Petit-Clair** – Title I Summer Reading Camp Teacher
12. **Tiffany Strausberger** – Title I Summer Reading Camp Teacher
13. **Elyse Matika** – Title I Summer Reading Camp Teacher
14. **Lauren Cortright** – Title I Summer Reading Camp Teacher
15. **Christina Brong** – Title I Summer Reading Camp Paraprofessional
16. **Felicia Fischer** – Title I Summer Math Camp Teacher
17. **Kimberly Nenscel** – Title I Summer Math Camp Teacher
18. **Brenda Eckley** – Title I Summer Math Camp Teacher
19. **Christina Brong** – Title I Summer Math Camp Paraprofessional
20. **Jessica Habas** – ESY Teacher
21. **Cathy Hontz** – ESY Teacher
22. **Ashley Lichtenwalner** – ESY Teacher
23. **Carly Finkboner** – ESY Speech Teacher
24. **Grace Kern** – ESY Paraprofessional
25. **Christina Bravo** – ESY Paraprofessional

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

**Resign
T. Johnson**

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

1. **Terri Johnson** - Lunch-Time Aide - effective May 26, 2016

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Parental
Leave**

MOTION by Mr. Wentz, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve parental leave for the following employee:

1. **Employee #1141** - effective November 21, 2016, until the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Uncomp.
Leave**

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mrs. Dwyer to approve uncompensated leave for the following employee:

1. **Employee #1386** - effective September 6, 2016, to December 9, 2016.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Summer
Reading**

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the proposed Summer Reading program and posting for the position. This program will be for students in grades 1-4. The program will be held on Wednesdays, June 15-August 10, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The program will alternate between Franklin and Shull David Elementary buildings and be held in the library. Funding provided through the 2016-2017 Curriculum budget.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**Autism
Conf. App.**

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve Sean LeDonne, Wanda Rousenberger, and Candace Zona-Slaw to attend the National Autism Conference, Penn Stater Hotel, State College, PA, from August 1-4, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$1,800.00. Funding provided through the 2016-2017 Special Education budget.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

PSBA Conf. App. MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve **Jonathan Cleaver, Brian Feick, Gloria Bowman, and David Krause** to attend the PSBA School Leadership Conference, Hershey, PA, from October 13-15, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$1,700.00. Funding provided through the 2016-2017 Superintendent budget.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

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

1. **High School Chorus (J. Schafer)** – June 27, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. – Lehighton Borough Amphitheater – 150th Celebration
2. **LAHS Class of 2017 (D. Hartney)** – December 3, 2016 – 5th Annual Community Trip to New York City – Open to Community Members
3. **Summer Fitness (M. Lusch)** – July 11-22, 2016 – 8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (see attached)

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Homebound Approved MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mrs. Dwyer to approve homebound instruction for the following student:
1. **Student #54959**

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Prom 2017 Approved MOTION by Mrs. Dwyer, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the 2017 Lehighton Prom to be held at Hotel Bethlehem on Friday, May 5, 2017.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

2016-17 MS Planner App. MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the 2016-2017 Lehighton Area Middle School Student Handbook/Planner.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Programs

Use of Sch. Prop. MOTION by Mr. Wentz, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve Use of School Property for:

1. Shull David PTO (Mary Lichtenwalner) – July 19, 2016 (2:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.), July 21 or 26, 2016 (3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.) – Shull David Elementary Playground & Restrooms – Yearbook Pick Up & Picnic
2. Christian Churchmen's Softball League (Terry Lusch) – May 24, 2016 & Weekends as Needed – 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. – Softball Practice Field
3. Lehigh Area Soccer Club (Crystal Stein) – August 1-November 1, 2016 – Monday-Thursday 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. and Saturday mornings – Mahoning Elementary – Soccer Fields
4. Zion U.C.C. (John Lopata) – July 6, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m. – Parking Lot for bus trip parking – Multi-Purpose Stadium

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

BHA Cont. Approved MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the contract with Behavioral Health Associates (BHA) for the 2016-2017 school year and to participate in the "Cost Savings Program".

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

1st Reading Policies MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the 1st Reading of the following Lehigh Area School District Policies:

1. #808 – Food Services
2. #827 – Conflict of Interest (Federal Programs)

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Fulbright C. Marchetti MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to acknowledge Cristi Marchetti, Lehigh Area School District Language Arts Teacher, as recipient of the 2016-2017 Fulbright Distinguished Award.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Old Business for Discussion - None

New Business for Discussion

Mr. Cleaver – Tonight we had a number of great presentation and distinguished guests. I found it embarrassing for the entire Lehighton Educational Community to have to witness an individual during Courtesy of the Floor to display such inappropriate comments and childish behavior. This is not the first time and he has been warned several times. I'm respectfully asking the board to consider a motion for a 90-day Courtesy of the Floor suspension for Mr. David Bradley who continually addresses the board in a rude and disrespectful manner.

90-Day Suspension C. of Floor D. Bradley MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause for a 90-day suspension for Mr. David Bradley for Courtesy of the Floor for agenda and open topic per board policy #903. He may provide written comment before or after a board meeting effective May 23, 2016.

Atty. Schwab – The Board has a right to ban individuals for disrupting meeting and other conduct for 90 days, but you must provide provision for him to make public comment. Add to your motion that he may provide written public comment.

Mrs. Bowman – Does it need to be read?

Atty. Schwab – No.

Mr. Cleaver – I find it unfortunate that I had to address this situation.

Roll Call Vote:

	Yes	No	Absent	Abstention
Mr. Richard R. Beltz, Vice-President	☐	☐	X	☐
Mrs. Marianne Dwyer, Member	☐	X	☐	☐
Mr. Stephen Holland, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. David Krause, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Larry Stern, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Andrew Yenser, Member	X	☐	☐	☐
Mr. Byron J. Arner, Member	☐	X	☐	☐
Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President	X	☐	☐	☐

VOTE: YES - 6 NO - 2 ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS -

Motion carried

Mr. Krause – Did you comment on the letter you received from a parent complimenting Mr. Brown?

Mr. Cleaver – We received a letter from a student complimenting Mr. Reichl and Mr. Brown and other administrators thanking them for continuing to work with the students and support the students. The student was eligible for a scholarship. Another example of the great things and extra effort our staff does.

Mr. Stern – Can the agenda be modified that the Courtesy of the Floor in the beginning be moved until after presentations?

Atty. Schwab – It depends what the presentations are about. If the presentation relates to an agenda item, then it must be done before hand. If not, it can be done after.

Mr. Stern – Can we make this decision on a monthly basis?

Atty. Schwab – Yes.

Courtesy of the floor / Public Comment - None

Adjournment

Next workshop meeting is scheduled on Monday, June 13, 2016, and the next regular scheduled meeting is on Monday, June 27, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - ____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - ____ Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted



**Brian Feick
Board Secretary**

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