

Lehighton Area School District

Lehighton, Pennsylvania

Regular Meeting of School Board
Monday, September 19, 2016, at 7:00 PM
Executive Session @ 6:00 PM

Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order - A regular meeting of the Lehighton Area School Board was held in the Administration Building, Conference Room A, on the above date and called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Mr. Richard R. Beltz, Vice-President	☐	X
Mrs. Stacey L. Duerst, Member	X	☐
Mr. Duane R. Eidem, 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 matters and hires, negotiation updates and labor contracts, reviewed the Superintendent's goals and evaluations, and possible litigation.**

Presentations - None

Public Comment on Agenda - None

Communications

1. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Cleaver
 - *In to the third week of school. Many positive remarks. Mentioned Joe Hauser & Jimmy Cunfer for all their extra hours to get the buildings ready. In addition, 20-24 individuals from the support and administration staff worked extra-long hours during the week and on the weekends. Thank you to all who worked to get the buildings prepared for the new school year.*
 - *School Performance window has opened. District is working to address incorrect data listed under the number of AP courses offered at the HS.*
 - *Meet the Teacher nights will take place this week.*
2. Finance Report - Mr. Feick
 - *Construction Updates:*
 - *MS – Total construction cost is \$16,688,000. We've paid out \$10,025,946 to date.*
 - *HS – Total construction cost is \$13,349,000. We've paid out \$8,443,000 to date.*
 - *Stadium – Original contract was \$6.6 million. Paid to date is \$5.8 million with another \$300-400,000 to pay. The project will come in under budget.*
 - *Several different financing avenues: took out bonds, a 10-year note out with TD Bank at 2.1%, QZAB bond for the middle school at zero interest rate, and at that time applied for a HS QZAB but we didn't qualify. The state came out with a new QZAB. We received notice today that we are approved for \$6.8 million, 0% interest QZAB. We will use this to pay the TD Bank going from a 2.1% to a 0%.*
3. Board President's Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - *Acknowledgement of people who went the extra mile to get the schools up and running:*
 - *MS – Keith Patterson, Karen Frable, Don Dorward, Blaine Klotz, Tami Cunfer, Robert Hawk*
 - *HS – Byron Schnell, Anita Stern, Sherry Armbruster*
 - *Others – Willis Hough, Bob Rehnert, Todd Weaver, Joe Smith, Nicole Bjorkman, Todd Koehler, Floyd Koehler, Dan Oswald, Kevin Frable and Edie Lutsko*
 - *Race for Brilliance at East Penn & Franklin will be held on October 28th.*
 - *There will be a brownie troop at Franklin.*
 - *Good News Club will be starting.*
 - *Mahoning – Olympic Day on October 18 and the Science Explorers Club will start again.*
 - *Congratulations to Mrs. Pagotto who did a creative activity having Veterans come in to the classroom and students had to earn their chairs. There was an article in The Times News.*
4. Leighton Memorial Library Report – Mrs. Duerst/Mr. Yenser
 - *No report. Next meeting September 29th.*
5. Legislative Policy Committee of PSBA Report – Mr. Krause/Mr. Eidem
 - *House of Representatives is set to reconvene today and the Senate on September 26. Some representatives don't foresee any big issues being addressed in only 12 days.*
 - *Discussions on the opioid epidemic and how to best handle it continues in the House.*
 - *Still a "huge hole" in the state budget regarding pension reform. Still hopeful that the Senate will look at some of the pension-reform bills that have already passed the house.*
 - *PA House of Representatives Democratic Policy Committee convened last Monday at Northley Middle School and listened to more than two hours of testimony related to graduation requirements and high-stakes testing. As part of the passage of House Bill 880, the committee was instructed to investigate alternative options for the state level graduation requirement and provide recommendations to the General Assembly.*

6. Title I Advisory Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - Met on Friday, September 16th. Reviewed the new beginnings for the year.
 - Title I Funds increased to \$540,000 with a parent component of \$5,000.
 - Reviewed services, testing, supplies and letters needed and surveys came back from parents with 99% very satisfied.
 - Fall Parent Night will be October 12th at the HS from 5:30-7:30 p.m. – “Learning Isn’t Scary”
 - RtII is now MtSS.
 - Next meeting is November 18th at 7:45 a.m. Parent Advisory meeting is November 2nd at SD at 6:30 p.m.
7. CCTI Report - Mr. Yenser
 - Off to a great start to the year.
 - 428 students. All time high.
 - 50th Anniversary Open House will be held on Monday, October 10th from 5-8 p.m.
8. CLIU Report – Mr. Wentz
 - No report.
9. Solicitor’s Report – Attorney William Schwab
 - Written report.
10. Building/Grounds Report - Mr. Holland
 - Met on September 13th.
 - Discussed signage under the home bleachers at the new stadium. Will be asking Dennis Hawk for pricing.
 - Bleacher placement at the old stadium. With approval of the P.E. department, 3 will be placed on the visitor side and one on the home side.
 - New vehicle should be arriving next week.
 - Need to replace pole at old stadium because it is rotted out at the base.
 - Discussed herbicide application and looking in to alternative products.
11. LCCC – Mr. Krause
 - Off to a good start.
 - Working diligently on tracking enrollment.
 - Next meeting is October 6th.
12. Academic Affairs Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - Next meeting is October 5th at 4:15 p.m.
 - We replaced the Geometry books at the high school with an updated version.
 - Mr. Reichl will be overseeing the LAVA program.
 - All technology up and running.
 - Board will be receiving plans on the new NHS requirements and activities.
13. Policy Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
 - Met on September 7th.
 - Discussed #707 and will be adding a statement about drones.
14. Athletic Committee Report – Mr. Stern
 - All events off to a great start for the season.
 - Girls’ Volleyball won a victory over rival Tamaqua. Much more than a game, the winner was the Carbon County Agency on Aging who received all the proceeds from the game.
 - Boys’ Soccer participated in “push up” recognition at Jim Thorpe. The beneficiary of the event was the Valor House.
 - The annual “Bo Tkach” game will be held this Thursday at Panther Valley.

- *Mr. Reichl added that the end-of the year tailgate will be on Senior Night and will also honor the Class of 1991 Centennial League Championship.*
15. Wellness Committee Report – Mr. Tkach
- *All menus were approved.*
 - *We did not receive the fresh fruit grant.*
 - *Next meeting is September 20th.*

Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the Minutes of the August 22, 2016, regular meeting.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____ Motion carried.

Financial Matter

Activities Fund MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve the Lehigh Area High School and Lehigh Area Middle School Activities Fund for August 2016.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____ Motion carried.

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

General Fund	\$ 675,121.70
--Benefits	\$ 545,588.35
--Payroll (August)	\$ 1,017,807.02
--Debit Card	\$ 520.17
Food Service Fund	\$ 17,868.01
Capital Reserve	\$ 1,060.23
Capital Projects	\$ 3,967,112.09
Athletic Fund	\$ <u>56,211.80</u>
Total	\$ <u>6,281,289.37</u>

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

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____ Motion carried.

Construction Accounts MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve payment on the following projects from the corresponding construction accounts for a total of \$4,766,878.38 pending documentation verification and solicitor review:

1.	<u>Stadium</u>	
	CSI Invoice #20163777P	\$ 1,400.00
2.	<u>Middle School</u>	
	W.B. Mason Co., Inc. Invoice #I37206759	\$ 1,250.00
	W.B. Mason Co., Inc. Invoice #I36959464	\$ 5,994.85
	W.B. Mason Co., Inc. Invoice #I37200271	\$ 13,944.60
	CSI Invoice #20164162P	\$ 9,454.00
	Winall, Inc. D.B.A. Mid-State Invoice #26883	\$ 8,614.01
	Barry Isett & Associates, Inc. Invoice #0107976	\$ 7,986.86
	Bean, Inc. Invoice #20182	\$ 16,346.75
	Colonial Electric Invoices #10747167, #10651381	\$ 1,944.71
	JMSI Environmental Corp. Invoice #0816-25	\$ 3,007.00
	JMSI Environmental Corp. Invoice #0816-27	\$ 1,818.75
	Quandel Construction Invoice #43	\$ 16,545.50
	EI Associates Invoice #P10000013070, #P10000013409	\$ 164,156.65
	Lobar, Inc. - Application #1503600007	\$ 711,540.79
	McClure Company - Application #4	\$ 460,413.08
	Jay R. Reynolds, Inc. - Application #6	\$ 87,528.25
	Albarell Electric, Inc. - Application #151/01-01	\$ 823,892.18
		<u>\$2,334,437.98</u>
3.	<u>High School</u>	
	W.B. Mason Co., Inc. Invoice #	\$ 16,322.61
	Colonial Electric Invoices #10747167, #10651381	\$ 1,944.71
	JMSI Environmental Corp. Invoice #0816-24	\$ 3,753.90
	JMSI Environmental Corp. Invoice #0816-26	\$ 4,365.00
	Quandel Construction Invoice #43	\$ 16,545.50
	EI Associates Invoice #P10000013071, P10000013410, #P10000013411	\$ 31,134.75
	Lobar, Inc. - Application #1503600007	\$ 1,192,758.43
	McClure Company - Application #4	\$ 446,808.41
	Jay R. Reynolds, Inc. - Application #6	\$ 10,628.12
	Albarell Electric, Inc. - Application #151/02-01	\$ 496,499.40
		<u>\$ 2,220,760.83</u>
4.	<u>Elementary Center</u>	
	Borough of Lehighton EDU Requests	\$ 72,000.00
	EI Associates Invoice #P10000013396, #P10000013400, #P10000013401, #P10000013402, #P10000013406, #P10000013408	\$ 138,279.57
		<u>\$ 210,279.57</u>

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Holland 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 - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

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

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

D. Walck Refund MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to refund Occupational Tax for year 2016 in the amount of **\$122.50** to Dale E. Walck.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

J. Gieniec Refund MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to refund Occupational Tax for year 2015 in the amount of **\$245.00** to James J. Gieniec.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

W. Barno Refund MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to refund Occupational Tax for year 2015 in the amount of **\$122.50** to Wash W. Barno.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

S. Barno Refund MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to refund Occupational Tax for year 2015 in the amount of \$122.50 to Sheila M. Barno.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

EPASEAC Conf. MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve Sean LeDonne to attend the EPASEAC Conference in Hershey, PA, from October 19-21, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$550.00 (registration, meals, travel & lodging). Funding through the Special Education Budget 2016-17.
S. LeDonne

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Commerce Adv. AP MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve, as recommended by the Finance Committee, the use of Commerce Advantage AP card for payment of bills.

Mr. Stern - Thanked Mr. Feick for finding ways to save monies for us.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Personnel

2016-2017 Sub List MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve the attached list of candidates for the 2016-2017 Substitute List pending clearances.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Ex. Curr. Hires MOTION by Mr. Holland, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the Extra-Curricular hires for the 2016-2017 school year (per attachment).

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

- Course Approvals** MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the following requests for pre-approval of courses/Programs of Study for continuing education:
1. Kira Stahler – Program of Study – Master of Science Degree in School Counseling – Kutztown University
 2. Cristina Bueti – Program of Study – Secondary Education (M.Ed.) – East Stroudsburg University
 3. Lauren Cortright – January 17-May 5, 2017/Research Problems in Reading
 4. Lauren Cortright – January 17-May 5, 2017/Reading & Language Development for Diverse Learners

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

- Hires Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the recommendation to hire the following employees for the 2016-2017 school year in accordance with the respective contracts, pending clearances:
1. John Henne – Elementary Teacher, assigned to the Middle School, at \$43,558.00 (Step 3, Masters, prorated)
 2. Terri Johnson – Lunch-Time Aide, assigned to East Penn Elementary, at \$7.25/hour

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

- FMLA Leaves** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to acknowledge FMLA leaves for the following employee, not to exceed 12 weeks:
1. Employee #1241 – effective November 18, 2016
 2. Employee #1256 – effective August 17, 2016
 3. Employee #1437 – effective January 3, 2017

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

- Resignations Accepted** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to accept the resignation of the following employee:
1. Melodie Eckhart – Lunch-Time Aide (East Penn) – effective immediately

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Hires MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve the following hires
Approved for the 2016-2017 School Year per the professional contract:

1. **Richard Bennett** - Instructor for the High School Keystone Remediation program/\$30.00 per hour for no more than 6 total hours
2. **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
3. **Jennifer Steigerwalt** - Instructor for the High School SAT Prep program / \$30.00 per hour for no more than 6 total hours/3 times per year
4. **Richard Bennett** - Instructor for the High School Winter Recovery program/ \$30.00 per hour for no more than 30 total hours
5. **Melissa Blocker** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program/\$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
6. **Theresa Kokinda** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program/\$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
7. **David Hauser** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program/\$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
8. **Amber Konek** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program/\$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
9. **Beth Daubert** - Instruction for the High School After School Tutoring program/\$30.00 per hour for no more than 3 hours per week
10. **Jessica Bruch** - ELA K-4 Department Head

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

Mentors MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the recommendation
Approved to hire the following mentors for the appropriate teacher (listed to the left of the mentor's name) for the 2016-2017 school year:

Sydney Schafer/Lauren Cortright
John Henne/Chris Knappenberger

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

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

1. **MA - Grade 4 (R. Rupell, A. Swanson)** - September 27, 2016 - 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. - to travel to Harrisburg, PA
2. **Tech Wizards, Jr. - Grade 4 (A. Harris)** - 10/5/16, 11/16/16, 1/18/17, 2/10/17 - 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - to travel to CLIU #21
3. **EP/FR - Grade 3 (M. Barilla, B. Breiner, A. Rheinhardt, T. Strausberger)** - October 12, 2016 - 9:00 am.-2:00 p.m. - to travel to Lehigh Gap Nature Center

4. **MS Tech Wizards (A. Rex)** - 10/12/16, 12/7/16, 1/20/17, 3/1/17 - 8:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m. - to travel to CLIU #21
5. **EP/FR - Grade 4 (C. Haupt, J. Grasso, D. Gerber, J. Fritz, A. Hedash)** - October 13, 2016 - 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - to travel to Lehigh Gap Nature Center
6. **MS Fly Fishing Club (M. Maholick)** - 10/14/16, 10/21/16, 11/4/16, 4/21/17, 4/28/17, 5/12/17 - 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - to travel to Baer Memorial Park
7. **HS Literature through Film Class (D. Hauser)** - November 4, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - to travel to Mahoning Valley Cinema
8. **MS & HS Odyssey of the Mind (B. Hudlow)** - April 11, 2017 - 7:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. - to travel to Moon High School
9. **MS & HS Odyssey of the Mind (B. Hudlow)** - March 11, 2017 - 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. - to travel to Pocono Mountain West High School

Mrs. Bowman - All requests have a budget approved thorough the department, school level, or PTO.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

Programs

Use of Sch. Property

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve Use of School Property for:

1. **Child Evangelism Fellowship (Ally Carter)** - October 20, 2016 - April 27, 2017 (Thursdays) - 3:15 p.m.-4:45 p.m. - East Penn Classroom - Good News Club
2. **Child Evangelism Fellowship (Ally Carter)** - October 20, 2016- April 27, 2017 (Thursdays) - 3:15 p.m.-4:45 p.m. - Franklin Elementary Cafeteria & Classroom - Good News Club
3. **Girl Scouts of Eastern PA (Katherine Hosler)** - Tuesdays - 3:15 p.m.-4:45 p.m. - Franklin Elementary Cafeteria & Classroom - Girl Scouts
4. **MA/SD PTO (Tammy Serfass)** - September 23, 2016 (Rain date 9/24/16) - 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. - Middle School Stadium - Outdoor Movie
5. **Eagle Scout Project (Danielle Ems)** - June 10, 2017 - 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. - Middle School Soccer Field - Free Clinic
6. **Lehighon Touchdown Club (Jerry Strubinger)** - 9/8/16, 9/15/16, 9/21/16, 9/29/16, 10/6/16, 10/13/16, 10/20/16, 10/27/16 - 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Middle School Cafeteria - Team Meals
7. **MS Intramurals (Timothy Sharrow)** - September 15-November 3, 2016 - 2:20 p.m.-3:30 p.m. - Middle School Gym and Outdoor Fields
8. **MS PTO (Kim Nothstein)** - 9/8/16, 10/13/16, 11/10/16, 12/8/16, 1/12/17, 2/9/17, 3/9/17, 4/6/17, 5/11/17 - 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - MS Café. - PTO Meetings
9. **MS PTO (Kim Nothstein)** - December 18, 2016 - 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. - Middle School - PTO Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser Pick-Up
10. **MS Student Advisory Council (Kenny Eck, Jr.)** - 9/23/16, 10/18/16, 11/18/16, 12/16/16, 2/10/17, 3/10/17 - 3:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. - Dances/Fundraisers
11. **Lehighon Touchdown Club (Jerry Strubinger)** - November 1, 2016 - 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - High School Cafeteria - Middle School Football Banquet

12. **Lehighon Touchdown Club (Jerry Strubinger)** - 9/15/16, 10/20/16, 11/17/16, 12/15/16, 1/19/17, 2/16/17, 3/16/17, 4/20/17, 5/8/17 - 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - High School Classroom - Parent Meetings
13. **All Night Party 2017 (Patti Ebbert)** - 9/21/16, 10/19/16, 11/16/16, 12/21/16, 1/18/17, 2/15/17, 3/15/17, 4/19/17, 5/17/17 - 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - High School Classroom - Parent Meetings
14. **All Night Party 2017 (Patti Ebbert)** - April 23, 2017 - 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. - High School Gym and Food Stand - Basket Raffle
15. **CCTI GED (Heather Mullen)** - September 12-December 7, 2016 (Mondays & Wednesdays)- 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. - High School Classrooms - GED Prep. Classes
16. **HS Student Council (Laura Schiffer)** - September 30 & October 1, 2016 - 3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - High School Gym - Homecoming Dance
17. **EP PTO (Tammy Steele)** - October 22, 2016 - 12:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. - EP Multi-Purpose Room, Library, Stage & Kitchen - Fall Fling
18. **HS Chorus (Jessica Schafer)** - 12/6/16, 12/7/16, 12/18/16, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - HS Aud. and Classroom - Dress Rehearsals and Concert
19. **HS Chorus (Jessica Schafer)** - 5/18/17, 5/19/17, 5/20/17 - 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. - HS Aud. and Classroom - Dress Rehearsals and Spring Concert
20. **HS Show Choir (Jessica Schafer)** - September 20-October 27, 2016 - Tuesdays and Thursdays - 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. - HS Classroom A141 and Auditorium (when available)

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

**2nd Rdg. &
Adpt. of
Policies**

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the 2nd Reading and Adoption of the following Lehighon Area School District Policies:

1. **#218.1 - Weapons (Pupil)**
2. **#317.1 - Weapons (Employees)**
3. **#334.1 - Sick Leave Bank**
4. **#903 - Public Participation in Board Meetings**

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Old Business for Discussion

**PlanCon
Part F**

PlanCon Part F Approval Documents enclosed for Primary/Elementary Center from the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Mr. Feick - PDE requires that after their approval, we put this in our board minutes.

New Business for Discussion

PSBA President President calls for nominations for **PSBA President** for 2017 per the PSBA policy #108

Mr. Krause nominates Michael Faccinetto for **PSBA President**

President calls for other nominations.

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to close nominations.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to elect Michael Faccinetto, as **PSBA President**.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

PSBA Vice-Pres. President calls for nominations for **PSBA Vice-President** for 2017 per the PSBA policy #108.

Mr. Krause nominates David Hutchinson for **PSBA Vice-President**

President calls for other nominations.

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to close nominations.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to elect David Hutchinson, as **PSBA Vice-President**.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS -
Motion carried.

PSBA Ins. Trust Cand. President calls for nominations for **PSBA Insurance Trust Candidates (5 seats)** for 2017 per the PSBA policy #108.

Mr. Krause nominates William S. LaCoff, Kathy Swope, Mark B. Miller, Marianne L. Neel and Michael Faccinetto for **PSBA Insurance Trust Candidates**

President calls for other nominations.

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to close nominations.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to elect William S. LaCoff, Kathy Swope, Mark B. Miller, Marianne L. Neel and Michael Faccinetto, as **PSBA Insurance Trust Candidates**.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Developer's Agreement MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the Developer's Agreement with the Borough of Lehighton regarding the New Primary/Elementary Center project subject to Solicitor's revisions, review and approval.

Atty. Schwab – This is different from last month. The borough and school officials met and worked out additional terms that have been incorporated. This was prepared by the borough solicitor. The borough will vote on it next week. It does allow us to begin building without the Penn DOT Highway Occupancy permit. But, we will not be able to occupy until we have Penn DOT's approval.

Mr. Cleaver – Thanked the borough officials for meeting last Monday. We are abiding by all the recommendations they have for us.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

QZAB High School MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the administration to accept the Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) program allocation of \$6,800,000.00 to be used for qualified work at the Lehigh High School Allocation represents \$3,889,000.00 from the 2015 federal allocation, and \$2,911,000.00 from the 2016 federal allocation.

Mr. Feick – With the QZAB, the High School will need to set up a STEM program and keep it going for at least 5 years.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Change Order MS - Cafe. MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to approve the administration and Quandt Construction Management team to approve a change order, if needed, of up to \$26,000, for concrete slab replacement when trenching new drain lines for the Middle School cafeteria area.

Mr. Cleaver – In the past when we've dug trenches, we did notice a subsidence in the floor. We won't know the extent until we begin digging.

Mr. Krause – Did Quandt provide the estimate?

Mr. Cleaver – Yes, it came through this afternoon with an estimate from Lobar and was reviewed by Quandt.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

Courtesy of the floor / Public Comment

1. Judy Wingert – Support Staff Acknowledgement

- Current paraprofessional at the high school and have been in the district for 10 and half years.
- Shared some of the positive things the support staff does on a daily basis:
 - A paraprofessional assigned one-on-one to a student who had a long-time chronic illness. Not only helped with the educational component, but the medical as well.
 - Secretary stops to help a lost child in the Middle School.
 - Nurse comforting a sick child.
- We believe in the importance of our job and believe in the students.
- We want to retain this kind of professional staff that wants to come to work every day and we deserve a fair and just contract.

Adjournment

Next workshop meeting is scheduled on Monday, October 10, 2016, and the next regular scheduled meeting is on Monday, October 24, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Cleaver – The work session on October 10, 2016, is if needed. I will let the board know.

MOTION by Mr. Eidem, SECONDED by Mrs. Duerst to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 2 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted



Brian Feick
Board Secretary

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