

# Lehigh Area School District

Lehigh, Pennsylvania

Regular Meeting of School Board  
Monday, August 24, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.  
Executive Session @ 5:45 PM

## Minutes

### Pledge of Allegiance

*\*\* Moment of Silence for the Jim Thorpe cheerleaders and their families.*

**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. Rocky Ahner, Member                  | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. William J. Hill, Jr., Member         | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Stephen L. Holland, Member           | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Lori Nothstein, Member              | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Hal Resh, Member                     | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Larry Stern, Vice-President          | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member                  | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Andrew Yenser, Treasurer             | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President            | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Brian Feick, Business Manager        | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Jonathan Cleaver, Superintendent     | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Attorney William Schwab, Solicitor       | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Melissa Wagner, Recording Secretary | X       | <input type="checkbox"/> |

*\*\* Notice of Executive Session for personnel, litigation, and negotiations.*

**Public Comment on Agenda - None**

**Presentations - None**

## VI. Communications

1. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Cleaver
  - *First day of school for students. Staff creates a very warm and inviting atmosphere. Did not witness any students crying at the buildings.*
  - *Great job to Joe Hauser and his crew this summer.*
  - *Construction on multi-purpose stadium is going well and is on schedule.*
  - *Borough has been out completing inspections and is satisfied with what they have observed.*
  - *Elementary Design Committee will meet this Thursday at 6:00 p.m. We will review the design and continue working on the layout.*
2. Finance Report – Mr. Feick
  - *PDE approved our 2013-14 independent audit.*
  - *Construction projects are going well. We have been working with the Department of Labor reviewing payroll. We passed with "flying colors". They will be here for the HVAC bid openings on the 31<sup>st</sup>.*
3. Board President's Report – Mrs. Bowman
  - *Kindergarten Orientation was held last week. We have 195 students. We served meals and about 50% of students and parents participated.*
  - *Special Education department is getting ready for their audit in March 2016.*
  - *SHINE will begin in late September for grades 1-4.*
  - *Ms. Fedor, Art Teacher at SD/MA, is looking to form an art club for students in grade 4.*
  - *EP (9/12) & FR (10/2) – Say goodbye to summer night and fall fun night.*
  - *Graduation rate was 94.7% for our high school this year.*
4. Leighton Memorial Library Report – Mrs. Nothstein
  - *No report.*
  - *Next meeting is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.*
5. Legislative Policy Committee of PSBA Report – Mr. Ahner
  - *We do not have a state budget yet.*
  - *Tomorrow is talk about an override which is slim and none. Will not have anything to do with school pensions, just other services for the county.*
6. Title I Advisory Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
  - *Next meeting is September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 a.m.*
  - *We did run successful reading and math camps this summer. Looking to run for 3 weeks next year.*
7. CCTI Report – Mr. Yenser
  - *CCTI opened doors today to approximately 425 students. Record numbers.*
  - *Recognized that we have had shop classes that are completely booked with students on waiting lists.*
  - *Mrs. Bowman commended Mr. Yenser, Mr. Cleaver, and Mr. Tkach for working hard on promoting the half day option.*
  - *Getting half time back in place was a long-time coming.*
8. CLIU Report – Mr. Wentz
  - *CLIU met last Monday. Unable to attend due to the board meeting. Will have a full report next month.*

9. Solicitor's Report – Attorney William Schwab
  - Board did not get a report this month. I will get a written report out on minor items later. Major items were discussed in executive session.
10. Building/Grounds Report - Mr. Wentz
  - B&G met on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.
  - The vans were inspected and serviced by McFarland's Garage.
  - The purchase order has been placed for the ATV that will be used year round by maintenance and athletics.
  - Van #6 needs to be replaced. It is a 2002 model. Purchase of a new van is on tonight's agenda.
  - Next meeting is September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m.
11. LCCC – Mr. Krause
  - Thanked the board for the opportunity to serve.
  - Appreciate all the time that Larry put in.
  - This year is LCCC's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Banners on campus and a lot of activities going on. Emailed a video to all board members.
  - Enrollment is slightly down, about 5%. Seeing this across the state. Facility in Jim Thorpe is up 12%
  - Completed a survey with prospective students, current students, and alumni. LCCC provided academic quality, affordability, safety of campus, and convenience of scheduling.
  - Leighton's Maeann Brougher and Zoe David were recipients of the Honors Scholar program and receive full tuition for two years.
  - Encourage our guidance counselors to stay current with LCCC opportunities. They change curriculum all the time.
12. Academic Affairs Committee Report – Mrs. Bowman
  - Meeting cancelled in August. Next meeting is October 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:15 p.m.
13. Policy Committee Report - Mrs. Bowman
  - Meeting September 2<sup>nd</sup>.
14. Athletic Committee Report - Mr. Wentz – Presentation
  - Committee met on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m.
  - Received letter from Mrs. Kerry Polumbo to sell t-shirts that will benefit pediatric cancer foundation.
  - Bo Tkach Foundation game will be held Thursday, October 15, 2015.
  - Class of 1964 has donated a victory bell.
  - Meet the Tribe on August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the stadium.
  - Opening night is September 4<sup>th</sup> versus Mahonoy Area.
  - Cheerleaders held a successful purse bingo fundraiser.
  - T-shirts will be sold on September 4<sup>th</sup> to benefit the HS School-Wide Behavior program. Each freshman has already received a t-shirt.
15. Wellness Committee Report – Mr. Almer
  - We had an advisory meeting to go over the menus.
  - Expect great things with the cafeteria. Can't say enough about the food in our schools.

## Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the Minutes of the July 27, 2015, regular meeting.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the Minutes of the August 3, 2015, workshop meeting.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the Minutes of the August 10, 2015, workshop meeting.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the Minutes of the August 17, 2015, workshop meeting.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

## Financial Matters

**Activities Reports** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the Lehigh Area Middle School Activities Fund and Lehigh Area High School Activities Fund for July 2015.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

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

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund        | \$1,011,798.86  |
| --Benefits          | \$ 546,816.60   |
| --Payroll (July)    | \$ 1,493,113.68 |
| --Debit Card        | \$ 1,297.01     |
| Food Service Fund   | \$ 8,680.54     |
| Capital Reserve     | \$ 15,250.25    |
| Athletic Fund       | \$ 58,290.61    |
| Capital Proj. Funds | \$ 46,497.50    |
| Total               | \$ 3,181,745.05 |

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.

**Unrestricted Fund Bal. Payments** MOTION by Mr. Wentz, SECONDED by Mr. Stern upon recommendation of the Finance Committee, to approve payment of the following projects from the Un-Restricted Fund Balance:

**1. Barry Isett & Associates, Inc. -**

Stadium (June 1-30, 2015) \$13,439.70

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**2. Recommended by Barry Isett & Associates, Inc. for payment to Pagoda Electric, Inc.**

Stadium (July 20-31, 2015) \$13,500.00

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**3. Recommended by Barry Isett & Associates, Inc. for payment of Application #2 CMG of Easton, Inc. pending verification of certified payroll and solicitor review**

Stadium (July 1, 2015-July 31, 2015) \$205,200.00

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Construct.  
Accounts  
Payments**

MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Stern upon recommendation of the Finance Committee, to approve payment on the following projects from the corresponding construction accounts:

**1. EI Associates:**

Middle School (May 1-31, 2015) \$2,063.06  
Design and Construction of the Middle School

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**2. EI Associates:**

New Elementary School (June 1-30, 2015) \$19,500.00  
Design and Construction of the New Elementary  
School, Amendment #6, Dates May 28, 2015

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**3. JMSI:**

JMSI Environmental Middle School Asbestos Abatement project design. Billing for asbestos abatement project management and associated air monitoring as outlined on the invoice attachment July 20-August 13, 2015.

Invoice #0815-12  
Total \$10,475.00 less the 3% Amount to pay \$10,160.75

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**4. JMSI:**

JMSI Environmental Middle School Asbestos Abatement project design. Billing for asbestos abatement project management and associated air monitoring as outlined on the invoice attachment. Completion of comprehensive preoccupancy Indoor Air Quality Study.

Invoice #0815-13  
Total \$2,950.00 less the 3% Amount to pay \$2,861.50

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**5. Sargent Enterprise, Inc.:**

Recommend by JMSI Environmental Corp. for payment of  
Application #2 Sargent Enterprise Inc. pending verification of  
certified payroll and solicitor review.

\$148,249.50

VOTE: YES - 9    NO - \_\_\_\_    ABSENT - \_\_\_\_    ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**6. Bellview Pump, LLC -**

Upon Recommendation by Barry Isett and Associates for payment Of  
Application #1 Bellview Pump, LLC pending verification of certified  
payroll and solicitor review.

\$56,800.00

VOTE: YES - 9    NO - \_\_\_\_    ABSENT - \_\_\_\_    ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Treasurer's  
Report**

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the following  
reports:

- a. Revenue Report
- b. Budget Report
- c. Treasurer's Reports
  - 1. General Fund
  - 2. Capital Reserve Fund
  - 3. Capital Project Fund
  - 4. Food Service Fund

VOTE: YES - 9    NO - \_\_\_\_    ABSENT - \_\_\_\_    ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Per Capita/  
Occ. Tax  
Approved**

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

VOTE: YES - 9    NO - \_\_\_\_    ABSENT - \_\_\_\_    ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Occ. Tax.  
Assessment  
Change**

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

VOTE: YES - 9    NO - \_\_\_\_    ABSENT - \_\_\_\_    ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**J. Evans Conf. Approved** MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve **Jennifer Evans** to attend the AACC 2015 Be Strong World Conference, September 23-26, 2015, Nashville, TN, at a cost of **\$680.48** (registration, meals, & lodging). Funding through the High School Budget 2015-16.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Edmentum 3-Year Agr. Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz, to approve the new three (3) year agreement with CLIU for Edmentum Products & Services at a total cost of **\$13,116.90** annually for the school years 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Overdrive Consortium Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Ahner, to approve the agreement for CLIU Overdrive Consortium for the 2015-16 school year at a cost of **\$2,000.00**.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**BHA Cont. Approved** MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mr. Stern, to approve the contract for services between LASD and BHA (Behavioral Health Associates).

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Ford Transit Van Purch. Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mr. Holland to upon recommendation of the Building and Grounds Committee to approve Scott Gibson Hondru Ford for COSTAR purchasing (contract number 25-006) of one (1) 2016 Ford Transit Wagon, K1ZT-150 130" Low Roof XL Swing-Out RH Dr at a cost not to exceed **\$28,000.00**.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Lehigh Law Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve an agreement between the Lehigh Area School District and Lehigh Law Enforcement Officers Assoc., Inc. for security services at athletic events, school dances, graduation, and homecoming events.

William Hill – What is the cost?

Craig Reichl - \$18/hour

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

## Personnel

**2015-2016 Subs. Appr.** MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mrs. Nothstein to approve the attached list of candidates for the 2015-2016 Substitute list pending clearances.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Ex. Curr. Ath. Appr.** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the 2015-2016 Extra-Curricular & Athletic hires (per attachments) pending clearances.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

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

1. **Suzanne Howland** - August 24, 2015-December 2015/EADM 601: Personal Management for Educators - Online
2. **Kira Stahler** - September 14, 2015-December 13, 2015/ESL 503: Second Language Assessment - Online
3. **Kira Stahler** - September 14, 2015-December 13, 2015/ESL 501: Approaches to Teaching Second Languages - Online
4. **David Hauser** - Program of Studies - Professional and New Media Writing M.A.
5. **David Hauser** - September 8, 2015-December 11, 2015/ENGL 520: The Professional Document - Online
6. **David Hauser** - September 8, 2015-December 11, 2015/ENGL 534: Visual Rhetoric in Prof. Writing - ESU & Online
7. **Adrienne Fedor** - August 24, 2015-December 12, 2015/ARU522: Perspectives in Art Education
8. **Samantha Kistler** - Program of Studies - K-12 School Principal Certificate
9. **Samantha Kistler** - August 24, 2015-December 11, 2015/EDL 504 Supervision of Curriculum & Instruction

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**FMLA Approved** MOTION by Mr. Yenser, SECONDED by Mrs. Nothstein to acknowledge FMLA leaves for the following employee, not to exceed 12 weeks:

1. **Employee #787** - effective August 18, 2015
2. **Employee #740** - effective August 18, 2015
3. **Employee #920** - effective September 15, 2015

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Resignations Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to accept the resignation of the following personnel:

1. **Sarah Nonnemacher** – Asst. Cheerleading Coach – effective immediately
2. **Richard Haberman** – Part-Time Cleaner – effectively immediately

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Hires Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to approve the recommendation to hire the following employees in accordance with the respective contracts, pending clearances:

1. **Kali Andrew** – Middle School Nurse – Bachelor’s Step 1 (\$38,740) effective beginning of the 2015-16 School Year
2. **Jessica Schafer** – Long-Term High School Music – Bachelor’s Step 2 (\$39,885) effective beginning of the 2015-16 School Year
3. **James Fox** – Part-Time Cleaner (\$7.47/hour)
4. **Ellen Paez** – Part-Time Cleaner (\$7.47/hour)
5. **Mildred Shuck** – Part-Time Cleaner (\$7.47/hour)
6. **Valance Fedor** – Lunch-Time Aide (\$7.25/hour)
7. ~~Natasha Bedoes – Lunch-Time Aide (\$7.25/hour)~~
8. **Angela Stuckley** – Lunch-Time Aide (\$7.25/hour)

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Mentors Approved** MOTION by Mr. Wentz , SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the recommendation to hire the following mentors for the appropriate teacher (listed to the left of the mentor’s name) for the 2015-2016 school year:

Simon Tkach/Melissa Volcskai  
Jessica Schafer/Laura Welkey  
Kali Andrew/Avril Guardiani

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Sabb. Leave Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve a sabbatical leave for Employee #081 for the purpose of Restoration of Health, for the 2015-2016 first semester (8/18/15-1/11/16).

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

## Miscellaneous

### PSBA Delegate Approved

MOTION by Mr. Yenser , SECONDED by Mr. Stern to appoint Gloria Bowman voting delegates to participate in the PSBA Legislative Policy Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 13, 2015, during the School Leadership Conference in Hershey.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

### PlanCon D&E Submit For New Prim/Elem Center

MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to authorize the Administration and the Architect, EI Associates, to prepare and submit PlanCon Part D (Project Accounting Based On Estimates) and PlanCon Part E (Design Development) to the PA Department of Education; and authorize the Architect (EI Associates) to proceed with PlanCon F, Construction Documents, for the project know as New Primary/Elementary Center (K-5).

#### Discussion:

Rocky Ahner – Why are we rushing through this? We are going off of estimates. We just got the traffic study. Board members should have all the information to move forward. Are we having a 1-story, 2-story or 3-story building? This is based on estimates, what estimates? Where is the information to be moved forward?

Jonathan Cleaver – At the workshop meeting we presented the design. We are basically moving forward with the design and to start the land development process. The project is still under the current budget. This will be completed the same way the MS and HS was done. This is a 2-story building, nothing has changed from the workshop meeting.

William Hill – We've got so much on our plate. Don't you think we should complete a couple of things? We are nowhere near ready to bid and contract this.

Jonathan Cleaver – We need to get through D & E to move on.

Lori Nothstein – When did we get the traffic study?

Jonathan Cleaver – The draft was sent today.

Lori Nothstein – Need time to look over the information.

Jonathan Cleaver – The traffic impact study has nothing to do with what we are approving today.

Hal Resh – HS/MS, did we not come in over our estimates on the bids?

Jonathan Cleaver – Yes, on the general construction.

Hal Resh – I don't feel we should be moving forward on this one. We've only allotted so much to do those two projects.

Rocky Ahner – I think we need to see what our finances are before we start approving this.

#### Roll Call Vote:

|                                 | Yes                      | No                       | Absent                   | Abstention               |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mrs. Lori Nothstein, Member     | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Hal Resh, Member            | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Larry Stern, Vice-President | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member         | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Andrew Yenser, Member       | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Rocky Ahner, Member         | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| Mr. William J. Hill, Jr., Member | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Stephen Holland, Member      | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President    | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

VOTE: YES - 5 NO - 4 ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Homebound Approved** MOTION by Mr. Ahner, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve Homebound Instruction for Student #55144.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**School Journey Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the following School Enrichment Journey requests:

1. EP/FR Third Grade (M. Barilla, B. Breiner, A. Rheinhardt, T. Strausberger, L. Zimmerman) – September 21, 2015 (9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.) – to travel to Lehigh Gap Nature Center
2. EP/FR Fourth Grade (C. Haupt, D. Gerber, J. Fritz) – September 23, 2015 (9:00a.m. - 2: p.m.) – to travel to Lehigh Gap Nature Center
3. EP/FR Elementary (S. Howland) – October 23, 2015 (Rain date: October 26, 2015 (8:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) – “Race for Brilliance” Fundraiser for both buildings

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**LAVA Revisions Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve the revisions to the 2015-2016LAVA Parent/Student Handbook. (Lehigh Area Virtual Academy).

Discussion:

Mr. Yenser – I appreciate the efforts with the handbook and with what our district is doing to bring those students closer to our programs and curriculum.

Mr. Tkach – June Potts, Kelli Costenbader, and Rebecca Tite do a fantastic job with this.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

## Programs

**Use of School Property Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by MR. Ahner to approve Use of School Property for:  
1. Mahoning PTO (Karen Shaffer) - September 2015-May 2016 - PTO Meetings - 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. - Mahoning Multi-Purpose Room  
2. Mahoning PTO (Karen Shaffer) - Friday, August 28, 2015 - PTO Outdoor Movie - 4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**HS Winter Credit Rec. Approved** MOTION by Mr. Ahner , SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the Lehigh Area High School to offer a Winter Credit Recovery program for students at a cost not to exceed \$150 per class using the APEX learning system for fifteen 2-hour sessions after the first semester. The number of instructors will be determined by the number of participants. There will be no cost to the district.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**HS SAT Prep Approved** MOTION by Mr. Yenser , SECONDED by Mrs. Nothstein to approve SAT Prep classes for English and Math, at the High School. There will be no cost to the student.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**HS A.S. Tutoring Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mrs. Nothstein to approve the Keystone Exam and PA State Assessment After School Tutoring Program for Lehigh Area School District students to be held at the High School on Tuesdays/Thursdays 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. beginning September 2015.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**HS Keystone Remediation Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern , SECONDED by Mr. Yenser to approve, as per Policy 217, Graduation Requirement, Senior Keystone credit remediation for all seniors not advanced or proficient on the Keystone exams will be offered November 2015.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

## Old Business for Discussion - None

## New Business for Discussion

**PSBA Pres.** President calls for nominations for **PSBA President** for 2016 per the PSBA policy  
**Mark Miller** #108

**Rocky Ahner** nominates **Mary Birks** for **PSBA President**

**Hal Resh** nominates **Mark Miller** for **PSBA President**

*President calls for other nominations.*

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

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

### Roll Call Vote:

|                                  | Mark                     | Mary                     | Absent                   | Abstention               |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mr. Rocky Ahner, Member          | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. William J. Hill, Jr., Member | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Stephen Holland, Member      | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Lori Nothstein, Member      | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Hal Resh, Member             | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Larry Stern, Vice-President  | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member          | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Andrew Yenser, Member        | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President    | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Mark Miller - 5, Mary Birks - 4

**Mark Miller** elected as **PSBA President**.

**PSBA Vice-Pres.** President calls for nominations for **PSBA Vice-President** for 2016 per the PSBA policy #108.

**Hal Resh** nominates **Michael Faccinetto** for **PSBA Vice-President**

*President calls for other nominations.*

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

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_

**Michael Faccinetto** elected as **PSBA Vice-President**.

**PSBA At-Large Larry Feinberg** President calls for nominations for **PSBA At-Large (East)** for 2016 per the PSBA policy #108.

**Rocky Ahner** nominates **Larry Feinberg** for PSBA At-Large

*President calls for other nominations.*

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

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_

Larry Feinberg elected as **PSBA At-Large**.

*Jonathan Cleaver – Thanks to Sean LeDonne. During the construction process at MS we need to fill out paperwork of classroom placement. PDE came through last week and granted approval of the classroom setup.*

**Gross McGinley Const. Law Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz that the law firm of Gross McGinley, LLP is hereby hired to assist the solicitor concerning construction matters, including any litigation, dealing with the various stadium and building projects as they may arise from time to time. Hourly rates shall be as discussed with the Solicitor, who shall monitor and minimize the use of said firm which shall initially be limited to \$15,000.

Discussion:

William Hill – Have we written a check to CMG for the \$116,597?

Brian Feick – Once payroll is reviewed, a check will be sent.

William Hill – Quandel dropped the ball. BIA signed off without recommended offset for permit fee.

Atty. Schwab – Quandel has not been hired to monitor the stadium project. Quandel did not drop the ball, they are not responsible.

Jonathan Cleaver – Quandel is not on site monitoring, they are looking at the paperwork. Our view, along with Quandel & BIA, is that it is not the district's responsibility. We feel it was made clear.

William Hill – I feel the architect and construction manager should split the cost. Have them hire construction lawyers and pick up the cost. Or, we pay and let E.I. and Quandel give us credit.

Atty. Schwab – My intention is to resolve this. I need someone that can back me. This is to assist me. If I don't call them, you don't pay anything.

Roll Call Vote:

|                                 | Yes | No                       | Absent                   | Abstention               |
|---------------------------------|-----|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mr. Hal Resh, Member            | X   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Larry Stern, Vice-President | X   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member          | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Andrew Yenser, Member        | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Rocky Ahner, Member          | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. William J. Hill, Jr., Member | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | X                        |
| Mr. Stephen Holland, Member      | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Lori Nothstein, Member      | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President    | X                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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

**MOU with LAEA Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz that the Lehigh Area School District Board of Directors hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding with the Lehigh Area Educational Association regarding employment issues.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

**Resignation Emp. #293 Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Holland to accept the Letter of Resignation from employee #293 as outlined pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding.

VOTE: YES - 9 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_  
Motion carried.

#### XIV. Courtesy of the floor / Public Comment

##### 1. Mr. David Solt - Timeline for New School/Education

Mr. Solt - Is there a timeline for the new school to be built and students in it?

Jonathan Cleaver - Currently based on a lot of factors, land development and borough, etc. Can't give an exact timeline at this point.

Mr. Solt - Under impression that no one will lose their job with new school.

Jonathan Cleaver - That is right.

Mr. Solt - Why would people move to the area if we don't hire? You have the same teachers and same materials.

Jonathan Cleaver - One of the biggest benefits is class size.

Gloria Bowman - Another opportunity is special needs students can be at one location.

## Adjournment

Next workshop meeting will be held Monday, September 14, 2015. Next regular scheduled meeting is the regular meeting on Monday, September 21, 2015.

MOTION by Mr. Ahner, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

VOTE: YES - 2 NO - \_\_\_\_ ABSENT - \_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS - \_\_\_\_

Respectfully submitted



Brian Feick  
Board Secretary

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