

Lehigh Area School District

Lehigh, Pennsylvania

Regular Meeting of School Board
Monday, January 23, 2012 at 7:00PM
Executive Session @ 5:30PM

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 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call -

	Present	Absent
Mrs. Tina Dowd, Member	X	☐
Mr. William J. Hill, Jr., Member	X	☐
Mr. Dave Krause, Member	X	☐
Mr. Hal Resh, Vice-President	X	☐
Mr. Larry Stern, Member	X	☐
Mr. Wayne Wentz, Member	X	☐
Mr. Andrew Yenser, Treasurer	☐	X
Mr. Thomas Zimmerman, Member	X	☐
Mr. Rocky Ahner, President	X	☐
Mr. Michael Malay Jr., Business Manager	X	☐
Mr. James Kraky, Superintendent	X	☐
Attorney William Schwab, Solicitor	X	☐
Ms. Bonnie Cortese, Recording Board Secretary	X	☐

****Notice of Executive Session**

Courtesy to the Floor -

1. MaryAnn Pastore - Better accountability of tax base.

Presentations -

1. James Kraky - Board Member Recognition
2. High School FBLA Students (Matthew Fisher, Advisor) - FBLA Regional Event
3. Tim Tkach - Mrs. Lisa Shiffert - Contribution from Cody Wentz Foundation for Drug & Alcohol Program.
4. Sandy Michalik - Recognition of American Legion Auxiliary's (Mrs. Susan Anthony) donations to the high school MDS classroom
5. Gretchen Laviolette - Holiday Educare / Franklin Lions Club

Communications -

1. Superintendent's Report - *Mr. Kraky*
2. Lehighton Memorial Library Report - *Mrs. Dowd*
3. Legislative Policy Committee of PSBA Report - *Mr. Krause*
4. Title I Advisory Committee Report - *Mr. Resh*
5. CCTI Report - *Mr. Yenser*
6. CLIU Report - *Mr. Wentz*
7. Student Representative Report
8. Solicitor's Report - *Attorney William Schwab*
9. Building/Grounds Report - *Mr. Stern*
10. LCCC - *Mr. Stern*

Approval of Minutes -

MOTION by Mr. Hill, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the Minutes of the December 5, 2011 special meeting.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Financial Matters -

Activities Report MOTION by Mrs. Dowd, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the Lehighton Area High School Activities Fund for December 2011.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Payment Of Bills MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman to approve the Payment of Bills:

General Fund	\$ 2,970,123.18
Benefits	\$ 60,133.50
Food Service Fund	\$ 131,098.98
Capital Reserve	\$ _____
Athletic Fund	\$ <u>28,590.98</u>
Total	\$ 3,189,946.64

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS _____

Motion carried.

**Per Capita/
Occ. Tax
Exemptions
Approved**

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

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

**Business
Reports
Approved**

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the following reports:

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

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

**Tax
Collector
Reports
Approved**

MOTION by Mr. Hill, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the annual Tax Collector's reports.

NOTE: These reports are on file at the Administration office for your review.

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

**School
World
Contract
Approved**

MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman to approve the contract submitted by School World for the District's internet pages. This is required to add the item to E-Rate.

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

FBLA Supplement. Funding Approved MOTION by Mr. Wentz, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the supplemental funding application not to exceed the amount of **\$ 3,500.00** for the **FBLA** to attend the State Leadership Conference in Hershey, PA on April 16 - 18, 2012.

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

Lawn Service Contract Extension Approved MOTION by Mrs. Dowd, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve a one (1) year extension of the Lawn Mowing Service Contract.

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

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mrs. Dowd, to move items I through K in one motion.

2011 Occ/ Per Cap. For B. Bergstresser Approved (I) To refund Occupational Tax and Per Capita Tax for year 2011 to Bonnie Bergstresser in the amount of \$148.50. Taxpayer has been unemployed since April 2011.

2011 Occ/ Per Cap. For L. Neff Approved (J) To refund Occupational Tax and Per Capita Tax for year 2011 to Lori A. Neff in the amount of \$ 148.50. Taxpayer earned less than \$10,000.00.

2011 Real Estate Tax R. Carrigan Approved (K) To refund Real Estate Tax for year 2011 to Patricia R. Carrigan in the amount of \$102.02. Outbuildings were torn down in July 2011 but tax bill was not revised.

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

Response to MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman that the Lehighton
Aud. Gen. Area School Board hereby adopts the response provided by the Lehighton Area
Office School District Solicitor on May 29, 2009 to the Auditor General's Office regarding
Approved the Performance Audit for Years Ending 2006 and 2005, and authorizes the
Superintendent to sign same.

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

Personnel -

Coursework MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the following
Approved requests for pre-approval of courses for continuing education:
1. **Pamela Firkal** - January 26 - April 26, 2012 / Social Foundations
2. **Susan Maloney** - January 30 - May 6, 2012 / Master Teacher Practicum
3. **Courtney Schleicher** - January 23 - April 29, 2012/Second Language Acquisition
4. **Marianne Slaby** - March 6 - May 6, 2012 / Using Assessment to Guide
Instruction
5. **Carol Jeanne Weiss** - March 5 - April 29, 2012 / Student Achievement and
Classroom Management

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

Substitutes MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the attached list of
Approved candidates for the **2011-2012 Substitute** list pending clearances.

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

Athletic MOTION by Mr. Resh, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the attached list of
Hires **Athletic hires for Spring 2012 and the 2012-2013 school year.**

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

**Uncomp.
Leave
Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve three (3) uncompensated leave days for Part-time **Employee # 592**, that were used for illness.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

**Uncomp.
Leave
Approved** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve four (4) uncompensated leave days for Part-time **Employee # 737**, that were used for travel.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

**Uncomp.
Leave
Approved** MOTION by Mr. Hill, SECONDED by Mrs. Dowd to approve four (4) uncompensated leave days for Part-time **Employee # 931**, that were used for travel.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

**FMLA
Leaves
Approved** MOTION by Mr. Zimmerman, SECONDED by Mrs. Dowd to approve FMLA leaves for the following employees, not to exceed 12 weeks:

1. **Employee #2** - effective January 19, 2012
2. **Employee #1070** - effective February 2, 2012, pending receipt of Doctor Excuse
3. **Employee #179** - effective January 25, 2012

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

**M. Llewellyn
Resignation
Accepted** MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to accept the resignation of **Mollie Llewellyn**, High School Math Teacher, effective January 13, 2012.

VOTE: YES - 8 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Motion carried.

Intent to Retire Accepted MOTION by Mr. Hill, SECONDED by Mrs. Dowd to accept the intent to retire for the following professional employees, effective the end of the 2011-2012 school year:

1. **Debra Biery** – Grade 2 Teacher – East Penn – Hired March 14, 1977
2. **Jane Brunner** – Elem. Librarian – EP/FR – Hired June 12, 1972
3. **Christine Cella** – HS Family/Cons. Science – Hired August 25, 2000
4. **Barbara Jones** – Grade 6 Social St. Teacher – Hired August 9, 1988
5. **David Matsinko** – MS Special Ed. Teacher – Hired June 8, 1992
6. **Deborah Myers** – MS Special Ed. Teacher – Hired June 8, 1992
7. **Molly Phillips** – MS Art Teacher – Hired August 13, 1973

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

Paraprof. Hires Approved MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve the recommendation to hire the following people as paraprofessionals in the district, pending all clearances are received and in order, at a salary of **\$14,233** each (pro-rated):

1. **Norine Zehner** – Assigned to an Elem. Special Ed. Classroom, effective January 6, 2012
2. **Julie Manno** – Assigned to a HS Special Ed. Classroom, effective January 24, 2012

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

K. Eck Hired as Gr. 8 Teacher MOTION by Mrs. Dowd, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman to approve the recommendation to hire **Kenneth Eck, Jr.** as a Middle School 8th grade science teacher, effective January 24, 2012, at Step 1B (**\$37,604.00**) pro-rated.

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

Mentor Approved MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman to approve **Amy Meixsell** as professional mentor for **Kenneth Eck, Jr.** per the terms of the LAEA contract.

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

G. Laviolette MOTION by Mr. Zimmerman, SECONDED by Mrs. Dowd that the Board accepts
Princ. Resign. the resignation of **Gretchen Laviolette** as Elementary Principal of the Lehighton
& Hire As Area School District, effective date to be determined. Mrs. Laviolette is hired as a
HS Math high school math teacher, effective date to be determined, at a salary commensurate
Teacher with the 2011-2012 school year Step 12M (pro-rated).
Approved

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

Grievance MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mrs. Dowd that upon recommendation by
#2011-02 the Solicitor, the District denies Grievance Number 2011-02 originally submitted in
Denied writing on November 9, 2011 by the Lehighton Area Education Support Personnel
Association (LAESPA). Said Grievance was previously denied at Step I and Step II
in writing pursuant to Article XVI of the Agreement between Lehighton Area
School District and the Lehighton Area Educational Support Personnel Association
(i.e. Grievance Procedure).

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

D. Perkins MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mrs. Dowd to approve **David Perkins** (HS
Approved Music Teacher) to attend the PMEA State Chorus/Conference in Lancaster, PA, at a
to Attend cost not to exceed \$180.50, April 18 - 21, 2012. Attendance would only occur if a
State Conf. student is selected to attend this conference. Should no LAHS student be selected,
Mr. Perkins would not attend.

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

B. Koch MOTION by Mr. Hill, SECONDED by Mr. Krause to approve **Bruce Koch** to
Approved attend the NEA Resolutions Committee winter meeting in Washington DC on
To Attend March 1 & 2, 2012 at no expense to the District. Substitute costs will be reimbursed
NEA Winter by NEA.
Meeting

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

- Conferences Approved** MOTION by Mr. Zimmerman, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve attendance at the following conferences:
1. **Lory Frey** – Annual Spring Child Accounting Conference and College Scholarship information in Hershey, PA, March 21-23, 2012 at a cost not to exceed **\$496.00**.
 2. **Rebecca Mastroddi** – Annual Spring Child Accounting Conference and College Scholarship Information in Hershey, PA, March 21-23, 2012 at a cost not to exceed **\$ 578.50**.
 3. **Jonathan J. Cleaver** - (Federal Grant Coordinator) – March 25-28, 2012- PA Assoc. of Federal Program Coordinators Conference at Hershey Lodge, Hershey, PA, at a total amount not to exceed **\$1,117.30**, to be taken from Title I, Part A Grant Funds, 2011-12.

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

Miscellaneous-

- School Journeys Approved** MOTION by Mr. Wentz, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman to approve the following School Journey requests:
1. **HS Band (Bryan Buffington)** – January 12 - 14, 2012 (leaving 8 a.m.) to the Nazareth High School for the District 10 Band Festival. One student qualified.
 2. **MS 8th Grade ACE Team (Susan McElvar)** – February 27 & 29, 2012 (7:15 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) to Catasauqua for 8 ACE Competition.
 3. **Mahoning Kindergarten (Vicky Kocher/Melissa Geiser/Selene Polaha)** – April 19, 2012 (8:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.) to the Crayola Factory in Easton, PA for a PTO sponsored field trip.
 4. **MS 6th Sense Team (Susan McElvar/Sherry Hoffman)** – April 12 & 13, 2012 (7:15 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) to the Panther Valley High School for competition.
 5. **Mahoning Grade 1 (Shirley Rodgers/Kaye Miller)** – May 1, 2012 (8:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.) for a PTO sponsored field trip to the Bear Mtn. Butterflies in Penn Forest.
 6. **HS Student (Jaclyn Jordan)** – Spring 2012 – to participate in the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar (HOBY) at a cost of \$150.00 for registration purposes.
 7. **HS FBLA Students (Kim Mychaliszyn-Simko/Matthew Fisher)** – April 16 – 18, 2012 – to attend the State Leadership Conference in Hershey, PA Supplemental funding requested.
 8. **MS Grade 7 Maroon and White Teams (Yvette Sharrow/Joseph Yescavage)** – February 27, 2012 (8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) – to the Blue Mtn. Ski Resort for class field trip to explore the science of sliding.
 9. **HS Scholastic Scrimmage Competition (Sharon Leitzel/Melissa Volcskai)** – January 30, 2012 (7:45 a.m. – approx. 12:30 p.m.) – to Bethlehem, PA to compete in the 2nd round of Scholastic Scrimmage.
 10. **HS Senior Band Members (Bryan Buffington)** – April 5, 2012 (8 a.m. – 1 a.m.) – to New York City to tour theatre district and attend a Broadway show.

11. **HS County Chorus (David Perkins)** – tentative date March 9, 2012 – (7:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.) to be held at Lehighton High School for participation in County Chorus.
12. **MS Jazz Ensemble (Thomas Weidner)** – March 16, 2012 (5 – 11:45 p.m.) – to the Nitschmann MS in Bethlehem, PA, to participate in a jazz festival.
13. **MS Grade 5/6 Chorus (Thomas Weidner)** – April 26, 2012 (2:45 – 6:45 p.m.) to Rascal’s Family Fun Ctr. in Allentown, PA as a reward for participating in chorus.
14. **HS Chorus (David Perkins)** – April 26 (6 a.m.) – 29, (9 p.m.) 2012 to Williamsburg, VA to perform and get adjudicated at a music festival and see historical sites.
15. **HS Chorus (David Perkins)** – January 25, 2012 (12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.) – to the Carbon Plaza Mall movie theatre to attend a private showing of “Joyful Noise” paid for by the booster club. Busing costs to come from budget.

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

Programs -

Use of School Property Approved

- MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Hill to approve Use of School Property for:
1. **Relay for Life – American Cancer Society (Caylan Chanwik)** – June 2-3, 2012 (Was originally approved for May 2012)– to use the Football stadium field/field house/concession stand for the purpose of Relay of Life of Palmerton and surrounding areas.
 2. **Senior All Night Party Meeting (Anne Sverchek)** – January 19, 2012 (7 – 8:30 p.m.) to use the HS cafeteria for a meeting.
 3. **Senior All Night Party Committee (Anne Svercheck)** – April 21 – 22, 2012 to use the HS gym and snack stand for the purpose of a Basket Raffle.
 4. **Melody’s Dance Studio (Melody Kline)** – June 22 & 23, 2012 to use the HS auditorium, band room, and one classroom for a dance recital and rehearsal.
 5. **Carbon County Chorus (David Perkins)** – 1 Day in February or March, TBD – (7:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.) to use the auditorium / foyer/ refreshment stand/chorus room/cafeateria for the purpose of hosting Carbon County Chorus.
 6. **PAC for a Day (David Perkins)** – May 4, 2012 (8 a.m. – 1 p.m.) – to use the auditorium and band/chorus room to hold the PAC for a Day Festival.
 7. **Lehighton Band (Paul Smith)** – April 16, 2012 (6:30 – 9:30 pm) and April 22, 2012 (1 – 4:30 pm) to use the MS Auditorium and Band Room for their Spring Concert.
 8. **Lehighton Girl Scouts, Service Unit 734 (Stephanie Rehnert)** – June 8 (9 a.m.) to June 10 (10 p.m.), 2012 – to use the middle school lower parking lot to park parents’ cars while they go on a bus trip to Washington DC.

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

2012-2013 HS Program Of Studies Approved MOTION by Mr. Hill, SECONDED by Mr. Stern to approve the **2012-2013** Program of Studies for the Lehigh Area High School.

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

2012-2013 School Calendar Approved MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the **2012-2013** School Calendar for the Lehigh Area School District.

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

Student Teacher Acknowledged MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to acknowledge the following individual as a student teacher in our District:
1. **Sarah Miller** (Kutztown University Student) - Assigned to Mrs. Micheletti (MS) 1/24 - 3/9/12 and assigned to the HS Art Department 3/12 - 4/30/12

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

Old Business for Discussion -

Appointment of Board Committees -

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES **December 2011**

President: Rocky Ahner
Vice-President: Hal Resh
Treasurer: Andrew Yenser (May 2011 - May 2012)

Building and Grounds Committee (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointees (2): Larry Stern, Chair
Wayne Wentz

Negotiations/Personnel Committee (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointees (4): Mr. Rocky Ahner
Mr. William J. Hill, Jr.
Mr. Hal Resh
Mr. Wayne Wentz

Budget Committee (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointees (3): Mr. Rocky Ahner
Mr. Hal Resh
Mr. Andrew Yenser

Policy Committee (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointees (3): Mr. John Finnegan
Mr. Dave Krause
Mr. Tom Zimmerman

Wellness Committee (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointee (1): Mr. John Finnegan

Lehighon Memorial Library Board (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointees (2): Mr. Rocky Ahner
Mr. John Finnegan

Athletic Committee (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointees (3): Mr. William J. Hill, Jr.
Mr. Larry Stern
Mr. Wayne Wentz

Legislative Policy Committee of PSBA (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointee (2): Mr. Rocky Ahner
Mr. Dave Krause

Advisory Committee of Title I (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointee (1): Mr. Tom Zimmerman

CLIU Representative to Operating Committee (July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014)

Appointee (1): Mr. Wayne Wentz

CCTI Representative (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointee (1): Mr. Andrew Yenser

CCTI Alternate (December 2011 to December 2012)

Appointee (1): Mr. Tom Zimmerman

CCTI Authority Representative to Operating Committee (January 2012 to January 2017)

Appointee (1): Mr. William J. Hill, Jr.

LCCC Representative (July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2012)

Appointee (1): Mr. Larry Stern

New Business for Discussion -

1. Board acknowledges the need to appoint a Board Member to research the position of School Resource Officer with the Lehighton Borough. Mr. Ahner stated that he would like to introduce a Resource Officer into the District before problems escalate. Mr. Ahner will contact the Borough to initiate this process.

2. Addendum -

Payment Of Bills MOTION by Mr. Zimmerman, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz to approve the additional Payment of Bills:

General Fund	\$ 230,431.02
---Health Benefits	\$ -----
Food Service Fund	\$ -----
Capital Reserve	\$ -----
Athletic Fund	\$ <u>981.97</u>
Total	\$ 231,412.99

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

J. Kraky Intent to Retire Accepted MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Wentz that the Lehighton Area School District accepts the letter of retirement from James A. Kraky as Superintendent of Lehighton Area Schools at a date to be determined. His last work date will be determined between the board committee and himself.

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

3. Addendum (2) -

Bd. Member T. Dowd Resigns MOTION by Mr. Stern, SECONDED by Mr. Hill that the Lehighton Area School District accepts the resignation of Tina Dowd as Board Member with regret.

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

J. Finnegan Appointed To Board MOTION by Mr. Resh, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman that the Lehighton Area School District appoints John T. Finnegan as Board Member until filled at the next municipal election for the vacancy as a result of the resignation of Tina Dowd.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____
Motion carried.

4. Mr. Krause thanked the retiring teachers for their dedication and efforts during their service to the District.

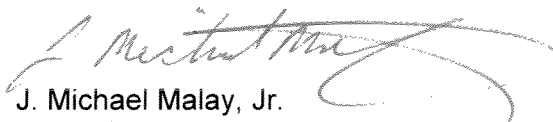
Adjournment -

Next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, February 27, 2012.

MOTION by Mr. Krause, SECONDED by Mr. Zimmerman to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

VOTE: YES - 7 NO - _____ ABSENT - 1 ABSTENTIONS - _____

Respectfully submitted


J. Michael Malay, Jr.
Board Secretary

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