

NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
Board Minutes

Slatington, PA
June 2, 2008

PURPOSE

The regular meeting of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors was called to order by President, Mr. Edward E. Hartman, at 7:36 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2008 in the boardroom located in the Slatington Elementary School.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Mr. Donald H. Dengler, Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer, Mr. Raymond J. Follweiler, Jr., Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos, Jr., Mrs. Donna M. Kulp, Mr. Gregory S. Williams, Mr. Edward E. Hartman (7)

Members absent: Mrs. Lauren A. Ganser, Mr. Mathias J. Green (2)

Non-members present: Mr. Donald Allen, Mr. Jeffrey Bachman, Mrs. Jill Chamberlain, Mr. Greg Derr, Mrs. Lynne Fedorcha, Mr. John Hrizuk, Dr. Linda Marcincin, Mrs. Laurie Newman-Mankos, Mrs. Karen Nicholas, Mr. David Papay, Ms. Rachel Parisi (Student Rep.), Mrs. Diane Ruff, Dr. Nicholas P. Sham, Sr., Mr. Michael Showak (Student Rep), Attorney Charles Stopp (Solicitor), Attorney Keith Strohl (Solicitor's Office), Mrs. Dawn Wadsworth, Mrs. Aileen Yadush and Mrs. Sherri Molitoris.

VISITORS

Approximately twelve visitors attended the meeting in addition to Terry Ahner reporter for The Times News and Sarah Fulton reporter for The Morning Call.

APPROVE MINUTES

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Follweiler, that the minutes of the school board meetings held on May 5, 2008 and May 12, 2008 be approved and ordered filed.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

SPECIAL BOARD REPORTS

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Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit – Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer reported that at the recent meeting they reviewed the budget for 2008-2009, adoption of board policies, completion of repair to building from damage caused by recent storms and rain coming in and a golf tournament fundraising effort to sponsor the summer program for special education students held June 17. He briefly talked about the purchase of a piece of property next to the current building for future expansion. Valerie Morton was recognized for receiving Northeastern Speech and Hearing Association of Pennsylvania Award.

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Lehigh Career and Technical Institute – Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos stated that they received an increase in the 2007-2008 PDE Dual Enrollment Grant and approval was granted for the submission of the 2008-2009 PDE Equipment Grant Phase I. She also reminded the that the ribbon cutting ceremony for the LCTI student house that was built will take place on June 13, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.

Legislative Report - Mr. Gregory S. Williams reported that the state budget is no where near approval.

Committee Reports and/or Meetings

Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on May 14, 2008 were distributed.

Student Representatives to the Board Report

report

Ms. Rachael Parisi and Mr. Michael Showak distributed their written student representative and verbally reported on its contents.

Solicitor's Report – Attorney Charles Stopp addressed the board briefly on the litigation involving the Land Title Association and collection of delinquent real estate taxes. He stated

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that there is a solicitor for a number of the districts in the county who has volunteered to be the lead person to work with the county and have them commit in writing that the County Tax Claim Bureau will not charge the 5% commission. We are hoping to have that in writing before to long.

Federal and Other Programs Update – Mrs. Lynne B. Fedorcha reported that the district received approval from PDE granting an extension for the Strategic Plan until December 30, 2008. Mrs. Fedorcha introduced Mrs. Laurie Newman-Mankos who reported that the district received their Special Education Monitoring Report. The report was positive with no compliance issues. The only recommendation in the Corrective Action Plan was offering additional parent training in the evenings which will be ongoing throughout the next couple of years. We also have to do something about our Graduation Rate and Drop-Out Rate. Mrs. Newman-Mankos further reported that she completed the Special Education Plan which is part of the Strategic Plan and in that Plan there is a whole action, process and procedure addressing the Corrective Action Plan issues.

Superintendent's Report - Dr. Nicholas P. Sham, Sr.

Dr. Sham stated that all board members received copies of the old and new High School Student Handbook. They are to review these documents and contact Mr. Allen with any questions. There will be an item on next week's board agenda to approve the changes to the handbook.

Dr. Sham reported on the recent Legislative Meeting that he was invited to speak at.

Dr. Sham distributed copies to all board members of the Connect-Ed survey results from the recent parent outreach test.

Dr. Sham congratulated the high school administration on a wonderful high school awards night held recently.

Dr. Sham stated that we still are without a business manager and asked if the board wanted to hold a Finance Committee Meeting on Wednesday evening. He stated that he currently has nothing for the agenda.

Canceling
Finance Mtg

Mr. Follweiler made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Williams, that the Finance Committee Meeting originally scheduled for Wednesday, June 4, 2008 be canceled.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

Executive
Session

An executive session was held on May 19, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the boardroom at Slatington Elementary School to discuss personnel issues. The Board was also in executive session prior to tonight's meeting to discuss personnel issues.

PERSONNEL

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Follweiler, that the Board of Education approves the following personnel items:

Appointments-
Non-
Instructional

Maryann Lucykanish*
Assignment:

Slatington Elementary Second Shift Custodian replacing Barry Edwards who was transferred to maintenance

Salary:

\$8.25/Per Hour/8 Hours Per Day/5 Days Per Week
(2007-2008 ESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement)

Effective:

June 3, 2008

*60 day probationary period ending on or about August 1, 2008

PERSONNEL**(cont.)**

Substitute-Instructional Approve the following individuals as substitute teachers for the 2007-2008 school year at the approved 2007-2008 Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule substitute rates:

Sandra Utsch – Secondary English
Peggy Gallagher – Elementary Education

Non-Instructional Aides and Secretaries Approve the following individuals as substitute aides and secretaries for the 2007-2008 school year at the approved 2007-2008 Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule substitute rates:

Kathy Yelinek
Christine Sigley

Custodians at Approve the following individual as a substitute custodian for the 2007-2008 school year at the approved 2007-2008 Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule substitute rates:

Rebecca Herring

Cafeteria substitute Approve the following individual as a substitute cafeteria worker for the 2007-2008 school year at the approved 2007-2008 Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule rates:

Christine Sigley

Resignations/Retirement P. Gallagher Accept the resignation of Peggy A. Gallagher from her position as 3rd Grade Teacher at Slatington Elementary, effective June 16, 2008. At this time she will begin her retirement from the Northern Lehigh School District after 35 years of service.

David Papay Accept the resignation of David J. Papay from his position as Middle School Principal, effective the end of the work day of September 3, 2008. At this time he will begin his retirement from the Northern Lehigh School District after 34 years of service.

Asst. Athletic Director D. Reynolds Approve the appointment of Douglas Reynolds as Assistant Athletic Director for the 2008-2009 school year at a stipend of \$3,500. He will assist the Athletic Director in all Athletic Director duties and responsibilities and will be responsible for athletic fund raising activities.

Unpaid Leave of Absence requesting an work May 20, Approve the request of Wendy Shirk, Middle School cook's helper, to take an unpaid leave of absence from May 7 – 19, 2008. During this time she will be taking 3 funeral days and using her two remaining sick days. Upon exhaustion of those days she is unpaid leave for the remainder of the time. She is planning to return to 2008.

leave Approve the request of Kimberly Filipovits, Middle School teacher, to take an unpaid leave of absence beginning on or about May 21, 2008. She will be using her accumulated sick and personal days and upon exhaustion of those days is requesting an unpaid leave for medical reasons. She plans to return to work on or about June 16, 2008, pending release from her doctor.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

POLICY

Mr. Williams made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Dengler, that the Board of Education approves the following policy items:

Board Policy-First Reading Approve new school board policy #006.1 – Local Board Procedures – Use Of Teleconferencing, as presented after first reading.

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Approve new PSBA school board policy #335 – Administrative Employees – Family and Medical Leaves, as presented after first reading.

and

Approve PSBA recommended administrative regulations #335-AR, #335-AR-1, #335-AR-2 #335-AR-3, as presented after first reading.

Approve new PSBA school board policy #435 – Professional Employees – Family and Medical Leaves, as presented after first reading.

and

Approve PSBA recommended administrative regulations #435-AR, #435-AR-1, #435-AR-2 #435-AR-3, as presented after first reading.

Approve new PSBA school board policy #535 – Administrative Employees – Family and Medical Leaves, as presented after first reading.

and

Approve PSBA recommended administrative regulations #535-AR, #535-AR-1, #535-AR-2 #535-AR-3, as presented after first reading.

Approve school board policy #815 – Operations – Acceptable Use of Internet and Information Systems, as presented after first reading.

CLIU Policy, Procedures and Use of Funds Adoption

Approve to adopt the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit's **Notice Of Adoption Of Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds By School District** for submission with the 2008-2009 IDEA B, Section 611 project application, as presented.

Homebound Instruction

It is recommended that the Board of Education grant homebound instruction for an 11th grade student, Student No. 936600, for five hours per week, effective May 28, 2008 and continuing for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year.

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Mr. Williams stated that PSBA has stated that if the Board wishes to allow teleconferencing at board meetings that there should be a policy that governs teleconferencing. He stated that policy specifically authorizes it and it is not intended as a right for any board member. He stated that the policy further states that there must be 5 board members in attendance board meeting in order to have a quorum and then a teleconference call can take place. The board member on the teleconference call can not count as the 5th person to make a quorum a board meeting. There was further discussion about this new policy and it was decided that it needs to go back to policy for more review prior to being approved for a 2nd reading.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)
NAY: None (0)

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Williams, that the Board of Education approves the following curriculum and instruction item:

Federal Program Contracts 2008-2009

Approve to authorize proper officials to execute contracts for Title I, Title II and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Acts for the 2008-2009 school year.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)
NAY: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Dorshimer asked if Northern Lehigh had any students that would be attending the Governor's School this summer. Mrs. Yadush reported that we had one student attending, Mr. Michael Showak.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

Mrs. Geronikos made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Dengler, that the Board of Education approve to hold a Special Public Meeting on Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the board room at Slatington Elementary School to appoint a new Superintendent.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

Dr. Sham
Payment
Vacation Days

Mr. Williams made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Geronikos, that the Board of Education approve the payment of unused vacation days to Dr. Sham at the end of this contract year. This will make Dr. Sham's last day of work, Monday, June 30, 2008 instead of the previously approved date of June 9, 2008.

Mr. Dengler asked if this was to fill the time slot that we would not have a superintendent on board. His understanding is that Mr. Keegan had offered to fill that time slot at no cost to the district.

ROLL CALL:

YEA: Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (6)

NAY: Mr. Dengler (1)

Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Dengler, that the Board of Education approves the following financial items:

Advertise Bids
Science Lab
Equipment

Authorize administration to advertise for solicitation of bids for microscopes and other science related equipment to be purchased with the EITC money donated by the Northern Lehigh Education Foundation.

Hilb, Rogal
and Hamilton
the Insurance
Brokers

Appoint Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Company (HRH) Palley Simon Associates as the district insurance broker for Property, Casualty, Liability and Worker's Compensation insurance for 2008-2009 school year.

Maintenance
Agreement
MS Sewing
Machines

Approve a maintenance agreement for the 2008-2009 school year with Allentown Sewing Machine Outlet. The agreement covers sewing machines located as follows:

Middle School – 14 machines at \$30.00 per machine plus parts and a one time \$10.00 fuel charge = \$430.00

2008-2009
Insurance
Companies

Award insurance coverage for the 2008-2009 school year to the following companies:

Commercial Package and Automobile (Vehicle Liability, General Liability Property Insurance and Boiler and Machinery) Graphic Arts (UTICA) National Insurance Company - \$56,998.00. The premium is an increase of \$120.00 over last year's rate.

Commercial Umbrella Liability Insurance – North River Insurance Company - \$15,504.00. The premium is an increase of \$204.00 over last year's rate.

School Leaders Error and Omissions Liability – National Union Fire Insurance Company - \$13,231.00. The premium is a decrease of \$696.00 over last year's rates.

Workers' Compensation Coverage – School Boards Insurance Company – estimated premium of \$73,437.00, approximately a \$4,549.00 increase. This amount is an estimated total, final cost based on actual payroll figures.

Financial
Institutions
the Approved
School District
Depositories

Authorize the following financial institutions to act as approved depositories for school district funds and or temporary investments. The Northern Lehigh School Board further authorizes following financial institutions to transfer funds on deposit to any other bank for the credit of the Northern Lehigh School District. The Board further authorizes the Business Manager and/or Superintendent to enter into agreements, supplements or

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amendments to agreements to implement the foregoing operations for the 2008-2009 school year.

Commerce Bank of Pennsylvania
Wachovia National Bank
East Penn Bank

Prudential-Bache Government Securities Trust
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)

Approve
July Bill
Payment

Approve to grant permission to the business office to pay construction, insurance, and utility bills that are scheduled for payment during the month of July as required by contract. There is no scheduled board meeting in July.

Statewide
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Tax Collector

Approve the appointment of Statewide Tax Recovery as the delinquent per capita tax collector for the 2008-2009 school year.

Remco-Cafe
Equip Mnt
Provider

Approve Remco, Inc as a preventative maintenance service provider for the cafeteria equipment in all four buildings at a cost of \$3,795. This is an increase of \$545 over last year.

Mid-Penn
Student
Accident Ins
Carrier

Appoint Mid-Penn Insurance Associates as the 2008-2009 Student Accident and Athletic Insurance Carriers. The renewal rate is \$6,165.00, an increase of \$120.00 over last year, to include all interscholastic sports, band and cheerleading. Voluntary school coverage is \$22.00 for the school time rate and \$88.00 for the 24-hour rate, no increase in rate from 2007-2008.

Board
Pally Secretary &
Treasurer
Bonds

Approve to renew the following expiring bonds for the 2008-2009 fiscal year through HRH Simon Associates:

A \$50,000 Board Secretary Bond for the term of July 1, 2008 to July 1, 2009 at an annual premium of \$175.00.

A \$50,000 Board Treasurer Bond for the period July 1, 2008 to July 1, 2009 at an annual premium cost of \$269.00.

Rescind
Fuel
Motion
May 12, 2008

Rescind the following motion which was approved at the May 12, 2008 regular school board meeting:

UNLEADED GASOLINE – Awarded to HOP Energy at
o a fixed price of \$3.0846 per gallon

#2 GRADE FUEL OIL TANKWAGON DELIVERY – Awarded to HOP Energy at
o a fixed price of \$3.4469 per gallon

#2 GRADE FUEL OIL TRANSPORT DELIVERY – Awarded to Isobunkers at
o a fixed price of \$3.422 per gallon

DIESEL FUEL – Awarded to Isobunkers at
o a fixed price of \$3.6047 per gallon (normal blend)
o a fixed price of \$3.6447 per gallon (70% / 30% blend)

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

HOP Energy
Unleaded
1, Gasoline

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Williams, that the Board of Education approves the awarding of bid for Unleaded Gasoline for the contract period of July 2008 to June 30, 2009 to HOP Energy at a fluctuating cost of basic rack price on day of delivery plus \$0.20 per gallon.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

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ISO Bunkers
#2 Grade Oil
Tankwagon

Mr. Dengler made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Kulp, that the Board of Education approves the awarding of bid for #2 Grade Fuel Oil Tankwagon Delivery for the contract period of July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 to ISO Bunkers at a fixed cost of \$4.2735 per gallon.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

ISO Bunkers
#2 Grade Oil
Transport
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Mr. Williams made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Geronikos, that the Board of Education approves the awarding of bid for #2 Grade Fuel Oil Transport Delivery for the contract period of July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 to ISO Bunkers at a fixed cost of \$4.1935 per gallon.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

ISO Bunkers
Education Diesel Fuel
June 30,
additional

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Kulp, that the Board of Education approves the awarding of bid for Diesel Fuel for the contract period of July 1, 2008 to 2009 to ISO Bunkers at a fixed cost of \$4.4317 per gallon for normal blend plus an cost of \$0.04 per gallon for winter blend (70%/30%).

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)

NAY: None (0)

Homestead/
Farmstead
Resolution

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Follweiler, that the Board of Education approves the following Homestead/Farmstead Resolution, as presented.

NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

2008 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of the Northern Lehigh School District, that homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate tax assessment reductions are authorized for the school year beginning July 1, 2008, under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act (part of Act 50 of 1998) and the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1 of 2006), as follows:

1. **Aggregate amount available for homestead and farmstead real estate tax reduction.**
The following amounts are available for homestead and farmstead real estate tax reduction for the school year beginning July 1, 2008:
 - a. **Gambling tax funds.** The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District during the school year pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.505(b), as a property tax reduction allocation funded by gambling tax funds, the amount of \$945,770.28.
 - b. **Philadelphia tax credit reimbursement funds.** PDE has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District during the school year pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.324(3), as reimbursement for Philadelphia tax credits claimed against the School District earned income tax by School District resident taxpayers, the amount of \$2,908.94.
 - c. **Aggregate amount available.** Adding these amounts, the aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction is \$948,679.22.

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2. **Homestead/farmstead numbers.** Pursuant to Act 50, 54 Pa. C.S. § 8584(i), and Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341(g)(3), the County has provided the School District with a certified report listing approved homesteads and approved farmsteads as follows:
 - a. **Homestead property number.** The number of approved homesteads within the School District is 3,743.
 - b. **Farmstead property number.** The number of approved farmsteads within the School District is 33.
 - c. **Homestead/farmstead combined number.** Adding these numbers, the aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads is 3,776.
3. **Real estate tax reduction calculation.** The school board has decided that the homestead exclusion amount and the farmstead exclusion amount shall be equal. Dividing the paragraph 1(e) aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction of \$948,679.22 by the paragraph 2(c) aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads of 3,776 (before considering the assessed value of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads having an assessed value below the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate assessed value reduction amount to be established as the homestead and farmstead exclusion amount), the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead is \$251.24.

Based on calculations provided by the School District Business Office from the best available information and carefully evaluated by the School Board, considering the assessed value of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads having an assessed value below the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate assessed value reduction amount to be established as the homestead exclusion and the farmstead exclusion amount, an additional aggregate amount of \$2,844.68 will be available during the school year for real estate tax reduction applicable to approximately 3,743 homesteads and farmsteads, resulting in an additional real estate tax reduction amount available for each homestead and farmstead of \$0.76. Adding this additional amount to the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$251.24, the final maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead is \$252.00.

4. **Homestead exclusion calculation.** Dividing the paragraph 3 maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$252.00 by the School District real estate tax rate of 62.273 mills (.062273), the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a homestead exclusion for each approved homestead is \$4,047.00, and the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a farmstead exclusion for each approved farmstead is \$4,047.00.
5. **Homestead/farmstead exclusion authorization – July 1 tax bills.** The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved homestead within the School District shall reflect a homestead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the homestead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$4,047.00. The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved farmstead within the School District shall reflect an additional farmstead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the farmstead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$4,047.00. For purposes of this Resolution, “approved homestead” and “approved farmstead” shall mean homesteads and farmsteads listed in the report referred to in paragraph 2 above and received by the School District from the County Assessment Office on or before May 1 pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341(g)(3), based on homestead/farmstead applications filed with the County Assessment Office on or before March 1. This paragraph 5 will apply to tax notices

issued based on the initial tax duplicate used in issuing initial real estate tax notices for the school year, which will be issued on or promptly after July 1, and will not apply to interim real estate tax bills.

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YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)
NAY: None (0)

INFOR-
MATION

Minutes of the Lehigh Career and Technical Institute Joint Operating Committee Meeting held on April 23, 2008 and the LCTI Director's Report for May 2008 were distributed.

Minutes of the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit 21 Board of Directors meeting held on April 21, 2008 were distributed.

ADOPTION
OF
2008-2009
SCHOOL
DISTRICT
BUDGET

Mr. Follweiler made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Dengler, that the Board of Education approves to adopt a budget for the Northern Lehigh School District for the 2008-2009 school year in the amount of \$28,929,030.

1. A 62.273 mill (or \$6.2273 per \$100 of assessed valuation) tax on Real Estate for both Lehigh and Northampton Counties. An increase of 1.984 mills over 2007-2008.
2. A \$5.00 Resident Per Capita Tax, taxable on 18 year olds and over based on Section 679 of the School Code of 1949. No change from 2007-2008.
2. Taxes under Act 511 with no changes from 2007-2008:
 - a. A 1% Earned Income Tax shared equally with coterminous municipalities.
 - b. A Realty Transfer Tax shared equally with the coterminous municipalities.
 - c. A \$5.00 Resident Per Capita Tax taxable on residents age 18 and over.
 - d. A \$5.00 Local Service Tax (formerly Emergency and Municipal Services Tax)

RECOMMENDATION That the Board of Education adopts the 2008-2009 Northern Lehigh School District Budget.

ROLL CALL:

YEA: Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman, Mr. Dengler (5)
NAY: Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Geronikos, (2)
Motion Carried.

Mr. Dorshimer made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Williams, that the Board of Education approves to allow Mr. Derr to top off the Middle School heating oil and the money will come from the Energy Reserved Fund Balance.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)
NAY: None (0)

ADJOURN-
MENT

Mrs. Geronikos made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Kulp, that the regular meeting of the Northern Lehigh School District Board of School Directors is adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

YEA: Mr. Dengler, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Geronikos, Mrs. Kulp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hartman (7)
NAY: None (0)

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan C. Dorshimer
Secretary

ATTEST: _____ President
Edward E. Hartman