

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT
Administration Building
1600 Book Road
Lancaster, Pennsylvania 17602
Board Reorganization Meeting
December 4, 2024

President Melissa S. Herr called the Board reorganization meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

PRESENT: Board Members, Mrs. Melissa S. Herr, Mr. Matthew E. Parido, Mr. Dustin D. Knarr, Mr. Dean E. McComsey, Mrs. Suzanne S. Knowles, Mrs. Kristin M. Staley, Mrs. Kari A. Steinbacher, Mr. Andrew L. Welk; Superintendent, Dr. Kevin S. Peart; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Andrew M. Godfrey; Business Manager, Mr. Keith A. Stoltzfus; Assistant Business Manager, Mrs. Amanda M. Allison; Administrators, Mr. William E. Griscom, Jr., Mrs. Karen L. Staub, Dr. Benjamin J. Feeney, Mrs. Melissa L. Swarr, Mrs. Alicia C. Kowitz, Mr. Cory S. Robison, Dr. Michele B. Westphal, Dr. Jeffrey T. Smecker, Ms. Jennifer L. Felix; Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Mary E. Williams; and visitors.

ABSENT: Board member, Ms. Kelly A. Osborne.

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Herr requested a report from the Nominating Committee Chairperson, Mr. Andrew Welk, to appoint a temporary chairman to conduct the reorganization of the Board.

Mr. Welk reported that the Nominating Committee is placing in nomination Mr. Matthew Parido to serve as temporary chairman of the Board. Mr. Welk moved and Mr. Knarr seconded the motion to appoint Mr. Matthew Parido as temporary chairman of the Board.

A voice vote was 7:0:1 in favor of the motion. Mr. Parido abstained from the vote.

BOARD REORGANIZATION

Mr. Parido requested the report from Mr. Welk for the office of President of the Board. Mr. Welk placed in nomination the name of Mrs. Melissa Herr for the office of President of the Board.

Mr. Parido requested additional nominations from the floor. There were none.

Mrs. Knowles moved and Mr. Knarr seconded the motion that nominations for the office of President of the Board be closed and that Mrs. Melissa Herr be approved as President of the Board.

A voice vote was 7:0:1 in favor of the motion. Mrs. Herr abstained from the vote.

Mrs. Herr requested the report from Mr. Welk for the office of Vice President of the Board. Mr. Welk placed in nomination the name of Mr. Matthew Parido for the office of Vice President of the Board.

Mrs. Herr requested additional nominations from the floor. There were none.

Mrs. Knowles moved and Mr. Knarr seconded the motion that nominations for the office of Vice President of the Board be closed and that Mr. Matthew Parido be approved as Vice President of the Board.

A voice vote was 7:0:1 in favor of the motion. Mr. Parido abstained from the vote.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2025

Mr. Welk moved and Mr. McComsey seconded the motion to approve Board Committees and Representatives for 2025, as attached to these Minutes.

A voice vote was in favor of the motion.

APPROVAL OF TIMES AND DATES FOR REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2025

Mr. Welk moved and Mrs. Steinbacher seconded the motion to approve times and dates for regularly scheduled Board meetings for 2025, as attached to these Minutes.

A voice vote was in favor of the motion.

APPROVAL OF NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION FOR 2025

Mr. McComsey moved and Mrs. Staley seconded the motion to approve Lancaster Newspapers, Inc., as the newspaper of general circulation for 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board Reorganization meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Mary E. Williams
Secretary