# NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT Regular Meeting Board Minutes

Slatington, PA April 28, 2025

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Civility and Decorum – District officials and members of the public are expected to conduct themselves with civility and to afford each other a measure of dignity and respect. Shouting, personal insults, and attacks or any conduct that disrupts the flow of business is considered to be out of order. Members of the public are to direct their comments to the Board in its entirety, cannot single out Board Members for response, nor can a member of the public address specific issues with other members of the community who may be present at the meeting or who are virtually present if it is a virtual or hybrid meeting. In addition, members of the community shall not bring signs or placards to the meeting and shall not applaud or engage in any actions that would impede another community member's right to make comments at the meeting. At the discretion of the Board/Board President, individuals who are disruptive shall be subject to removal from the venue of the Board meeting, unless the disruptive individual agrees to maintain civility and decorum.

#### **PURPOSE**

The special meeting of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors was called to order by the President, Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr., at 6:00 p.m. on Monday April 28, 2025, in the Northern Lehigh Middle School Auditorium.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Members present: Mr. Gary S. Fedorcha, Mrs. Rhonda Frantz, Mr. Mathias Green, Jr., Mrs. Gale N. Husack, Mr. Robert L. Kern, Jr., Mrs. Donna M. Kulp, Mrs. Natalie Snyder, Mr. Chad Christman and Mrs. Angela Williams (9)

Members absent:(0)

Non-members present: Dr. Matthew Link, Dr. Tania Stoker, Mr. Todd Breiner, Christopher Mann, Mrs. Michele Dotta, Mrs. Nichole Fink, Mr. David Hauser, Mr. Eric Hill, Mr. David Jones, Mrs. Sherri Molitoris, Dr. Lori Bali, Mr. Scott Pyne, Mr. James Schnyderite, and Mr. Daniel Williams. Press: Times News and BRCTV

#### **VISITORS**

Approximately 69 visitors were in attendance

An Executive Session was held at 5:40pm in the Northern Lehigh Middle School Auditorium.

## SPECIAL REPORTS

#### **Superintendent's Report**

- A. Review key points from recent feasibility study concerning capital improvements and a Common Campus model.
- B. Address common questions the school board and administration has received concerning capital improvements and a Common Campus model.
- C. Review results of recent surveys concerning a Common Campus model.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

17 community members spoke. Speakers highlighted the high millage rate, the lack of transparency in survey distribution, and the financial burden on taxpayers, particularly elderly residents and disadvantaged families. They argued that the project would increase taxes significantly, potentially forcing residents to sell their homes. Concerns were also raised about the feasibility of the project, the lack of clear offsets in costs, and the potential long-term impact on the district's finances and community. The board was urged to focus on academic needs and fiscal responsibility.

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Mr. Fedorcha made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Kulp, that the regular meeting of the Northern Lehigh School District Board of School Directors adjourned.

YEA: Mr. Gary S. Fedorcha, Mrs. Rhonda Frantz, Mr. Mathias Green, Jr., Mrs. Gale N. Husack, Mr.Robert L. Kern, Jr., Mrs. Donna M. Kulp, Mrs. Natalie Snyder, Mr. Chad Christman and Mrs. Angela Williams (9)

NAY: None (0)

Motion carried.

			Respectfully submitted,
			Gale N. Husack Secretary
ATTEST:	Mr. Mathias Green, Jr.	President	