



LEWISTON-PORTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

4061 Creek Road
Youngstown, NY 14174

May 26, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

OUR MISSION One Purpose. Your Pathway. Our Promise. OUR VISION Our PURPOSE is to ensure that when students leave Lewiston-Porter they will be ready to face the world with confidence in themselves and what they can contribute. While students are here they will be challenged to grow along their PATHWAY and discover their personal best because we PROMISE to give them our best.	Regular Board of Education Meeting Approved Minutes 6/15/2026 Board Meeting Tuesday, May 26, 2026, 6:00 pm Boardroom, Community Resource Center
Board of Education: Joseph J. Palermo, Board President (2023-2026) Tessa Connelly, Vice Board President (2024-2027) Chris Bragdon (2025-2028) Annie Huntington (2025-2028) Sara Ohanessian (2024-2027) Susan Rhodenizer (2025-2028) Ex Officio Student(s) Board of Education members: Kaitlyn Szarejko (2025-2026) Zoe Droegmyer (2025-2026)	Administration: Paul J. Casseri, Superintendent of Schools Scott M. Hoot, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services Marisa I. Barile, District Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order	The Board President called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.	Mr. Palermo
Acceptance of Agenda	RESOLVED, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the Agenda for May 26, 2026. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Huntington to accept the agenda.	Approved, CARRIED, 6-0

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

Committee Meeting Schedules	Committee/Council:	Meeting Dates:	Board Members:
	Athletics Council	6/11/2026	Mr. Bragdon, Mr. Palermo
	District Health & Safety Committee	06/11/2026	Ms. Ohanessian, Mr. Palermo
	Environmental Council	As needed	Mrs. Huntington, Mrs. Ohanessian, Mr. Palermo
	Facilities Planning Review Committee	5/27/2026, 6/24/2026	Ms. Ohanessian, Mr. Palermo
	Fine Arts Council	5/28/2026	Mrs. Connelly, Mrs. Rhodenizer



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	Health & Wellness Committee	TBD	Mrs. Huntington, Ms. Ohanessian, Mr. Palermo
	NOSBA	8/20/2026	Mrs. Rhodenizer
	ON BOCES Board Meetings	6/10/2026	Mrs. Mullen
	Policy Review Committee	6/2/2026	Mrs. Connelly, Mr. Palermo
	Regular Board Meeting	6/15/2026	
	Organizational Meeting	7/1/2026, 4:00 PM	
Committee Reports	Board Committee:		Chair
	Facility Review Planning Committee		Mr. Palermo
	Policy Review Committee		Mr. Palermo
	District Key Communicators		Mr. Palermo
	Communication Committee		Mrs. Connelly
	Special Education Committee		Mrs. Connelly
	Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Review Committee		Mrs. Connelly

PRESENTATIONS

Leadership Portfolio Presentation
Literacy Contest

Primary Education Center, Second Grade Students
Primary Education Center, Kindergarten Students

RECOGNITIONS

Tenure Recognitions	Christopher D'Anna, High School Principal Leah Herman, Math Kyle Hurtgam, Math Anthony Morreale, Physical Education Emily Oliverio, Special Education William Reiser, Special Education Andrew Sharpe, Social Studies Rachel Stiffen, School Psychologist	Mr. Casseri
Teacher Recognition	Teacher Appreciation Month	Mr. Casseri

RECESS

A short recess was taken from 6:43 - 6:51 PM to recognize the accomplishments of the students and staff.



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REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS		
Board Student Ex Officio	Board Report/Presentation	Ms. Szarejko
Administrative Reports (IEC and MS reports submitted)	Primary Education Principal – Monthly Calendar High School Principal – Monthly Calendar Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services Superintendent	Mrs. Larson Mr. D’Anna Mr. Hoot Mr. Casseri

COMMUNITY COMMENTS
No Comments.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS
Board Members: Mrs. Huntington Ms. Ohanessian Mrs. Rhodenizer Mr. Bragdon Board Student Ex Officio Ms. Szarejko Board Vice President: Mrs. Connelly Board President: Mr. Palermo



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DISTRICT OPERATIONS		
Minutes	RESOLVED , that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the Minutes from the April 27, 2026 Regular Board meeting, as submitted by the District Clerk. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Connelly to approve M-1.	M-1 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Minutes	RESOLVED , that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the Minutes from the May 11, 2026, Work Session, Budget Hearing and Regular Board meeting, as submitted by the District Clerk. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve M-2.	M-2 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Official Voting Results	RESOLVED , that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the Official Voting Results from the, May 19, 2026 Annual Meeting, Budget Vote, and Election as submitted by the District Clerk. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Ohanessian to approve M-3.	M-3 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Consent Agenda for Financial Operations	RESOLVED , that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the following, Items NF-1 through NF-7, in the financial consent agenda as submitted by the Administration: Budget Status Reports Extraclassroom Treasurer's Report Treasurer's Report Claims Budget Transfer History Bank Reconciliation Transfers Pending Board Approval Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Huntington to approve NF-1 to NF-7.	NF-1 NF-2 NF-3 NF-4 NF-5 NF-6 NF-7 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0

OLD BUSINESS
No Old Business



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NEW BUSINESS - ADMINISTRATION

Policy Revision Acceptance of the First Reading	RESOLVED , at the first reading, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education Accept the following policies; Policy 1410, Policy and Administrative Regulations Policy 1510, Regular Board Meetings and Rules (Quorum, Attendance and Parliamentary Procedure) Policy 1520, Special Meetings of the Board of Education Policy 1530, Minutes Policy 1540, Executive Sessions Policy 1610, Annual District Meeting and Election/Budget Vote Policy 1611, Business of the Annual District Election Policy 1630, Legal Qualifications of Voters at School District Meetings Policy 1650, Submission of Questions and Propositions at Annual Election and Special District Meetings Policy 7430, Contests for Students, Student Awards and Scholarships Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Ohanessian to approve NA-1.	NA-1 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Policy Revision Acceptance of the Second Reading	RESOLVED , at the second reading, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the following policies; Policy 1310, Powers and Duties of the Board Policy 1311, Principles for School Board Members Policy 1320, Nomination and Election of Board Officers and Duties of the President and Vice-President Policy 1330, Appointments and Designations by the Board Policy 1331, Duties of the District Clerk Policy 1332, Duties of the School District Treasurer Policy 1333, Duties of the Tax Collector Policy 1334, Duties of the External (Independent) Auditor Policy 1335, Appointment and Duties of the Claims Auditor Policy 1336, Duties of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund Central Treasurers Policy 1337, Duties of the School Attorney Policy 1338, Duties of the School Physician/Nurse Practitioner Policy 1339, Duties of the Internal Auditor Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Bragdon to approve NA-2.	NA-2 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Policy Approval	RESOLVED , that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education waive a second reading, as allowed in Board Policy #1410, and approve Policy 5661, Wellness. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Huntington to approve NA-3.	NA-3 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Approval of an Employee Placed on Paid Leave	WHEREAS , the Superintendent of Schools placed an employee on paid leave by correspondence dated May 12, 2026, and that said leave continued through May 18, 2026, wherein the employee was returned to work on May 19, 2026; it is hereby RESOLVED , that the Board of Education hereby approves the employee's paid leave. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve NA-4.	NA-4 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0



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Approval of Disposal of Books and Materials	RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the disposal of Reading Wonders Curriculum Materials and IRLA Level Readers at the Primary Education Center and the Intermediate Education Center. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Huntington to approve NA-5.	NA-5 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Approval of the Services Agreement for Medicaid and STAC Submissions	RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the Service Agreement for Medicaid and STAC Submissions for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Connelly to approve NA-6.	NA-6 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Approval of the ON BOCES Lease Agreement	RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the ON BOCES Lease Agreement. Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve NA-7.	NA-7 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0

PUPIL PERSONNEL		
Recommendations for CSE Placement and Amendments	RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the recommendations and amendments of the Committee on Special Education and approve the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations for the following: 2025-2026 School Year: 02/13/26, 03/04/26, 03/05/26, 03/06/26, 03/09/26, 03/11/26, 03/16/26, 03/18/26, 03/23/26, 03/26/26, 03/31/26, 04/16/26, 04/17/26, 04/20/26, 04/21/26, 04/22/26, 04/27/26, 04/28/26, 04/30/26, 05/01/26, 05/04/26, 05/05/26, 05/08/26, 05/11/26, 05/15/26 2026-2027 School Year: 03/19/26, 04/14/26, 04/29/26, 05/04/26 Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Connelly to approve NP-1.	NP-1 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
Recommendations for CPSE Placement and Amendments	RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the recommendations and amendments of the Committee on Preschool Special Education and approve the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations for the following: 2025-2026 School Year: 12/16/25, 03/17/26, 03/18/26, 03/23/26, 04/13/26, 04/21/26, 04/24/26, 04/28/26, 05/07/26, 05/12/26, 05/19/26 2026-2027 School Year: 12/16/25, 04/14/26 Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve NP-2.	NP-2 Approved, CARRIED, 6-0



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PERSONNEL - CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda combining PRNI, PRC, PLNI, PAIT, PACS, PASI, PAC.

Approved,
CARRIED, 6-0

**Resignation/
Rescission -**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the consent agenda for resignations/rescissions.

Non-Instructional

Name	Date	Position	Reason
Katherine Janese, RN	8/16/2026	School Nurse	Resignation

PRNI

Coaching

Name	Date	Position	Reason
Patrick Krawczyk	4/30/2026	Football JV Coach	Resignation
William Reiser	5/14/2026	Football V Asst. Coach	Resignation

PRC

Leave(s) -

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the consent agenda for unpaid leaves of Absence.

Non-Instructional

Name	Date	Position	Reason
Rhonda Palmiero	6/8/2026-6/15/2026	School Nurse	Personal

PLNI

Appointments -

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the consent agenda for Instructional Tenure appointments.

**Instructional
Tenure
Appointment**

Name:	Christopher D'Anna
Tenure Area:	High School Principal
Effective:	7/01/2026
Probationary Period:	7/05/2022 - 7/04/2026
Certification(s):	School Building Administrator School District Administrator Biology, 7-12 Earth Science, 7-12

PAIT



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Name:	Leah Herman
Tenure Area:	Mathematics
Effective:	8/31/2026
Probationary Period:	9/01/2024 - 8/31/2026
Certification(s):	Mathematics, 7-12 Mathematics, 5-9

Name:	Kyle Hurtgam
Tenure Area:	Mathematics
Effective:	8/31/2026
Probationary Period:	9/01/2023 - 8/31/2026
Certification(s):	Mathematics, 7-12 Mathematics, 5-9 Students w/Disabilities, Mathematics, 7-12

Name:	Anthony Morreale
Tenure Area:	Physical Education
Effective:	8/31/2026
Probationary Period:	9/01/2023 - 8/31/2026
Certification(s):	Physical Education Health Education

Name:	Emily Oliverio
Tenure Area:	Special Education
Effective:	8/31/2026
Probationary Period:	9/01/2023 - 8/31/2026
Certification(s):	Students w/Disabilities, All Grades Students w/Disabilities, 1-6 Childhood Education, 1-6



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Appointment -	RESOLVED , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept the consent agenda for the following Clinical Supervision appointment(s).					PACS																									
	<u>Clinical Supervision</u>	Clinical Supervisor	Supervision of:	Area	Period of Supervision		Stipend																								
		Emily Brook	Emily Adamson	Social Worker	9/01/2025-10/17/2025		\$142.50																								
		Emily Brook	Emily Adamson	Social Worker	4/13/2026-6/30/2026*		\$237.50*																								
		*amended time period and stipend, due to extension of E. Adamson CRL																													



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Appointment - <u>Instructional:</u> <u>Non-Certified</u> <u>Substitute</u> <u>Teacher</u>	RESOLVED , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the consent agenda for substitute appointments, without benefits, except as required by law, to be utilized on an as needed basis at the discretion of the Superintendent. Services shall be at-will and at the pleasure of the Board of Education. <table><tr><th>Name</th><th>Date</th><th>Position</th><th>Per Diem Rate</th></tr><tr><td>Cerrina Smith</td><td>5/26/2026</td><td>Non-certified Sub. Teacher</td><td>\$135.00</td></tr></table>	Name	Date	Position	Per Diem Rate	Cerrina Smith	5/26/2026	Non-certified Sub. Teacher	\$135.00	PASI
Name	Date	Position	Per Diem Rate							
Cerrina Smith	5/26/2026	Non-certified Sub. Teacher	\$135.00							
Appointment - <u>Coaching</u>	RESOLVED , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the consent agenda for Coaching appointments. Fall, 2026-2027 <table><tr><th>Name</th><th>Appointment</th><th>Cat/ Step</th><th>Stipend</th></tr><tr><td>William Reiser</td><td>JV Football</td><td>II-3</td><td>\$5,320.00</td></tr></table>	Name	Appointment	Cat/ Step	Stipend	William Reiser	JV Football	II-3	\$5,320.00	PAC
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William Reiser	JV Football	II-3	\$5,320.00							

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment	Motion made by Palermo, seconded by Rhodenizer to adjourn the Public meeting at 7:43 PM.	Approved, CARRIED, 6-0
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Marisa Iagallo-Barile

Marisa Iagallo-Barile, District Clerk