



LEWISTON-PORTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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July 1, 2026, Organizational & Regular Meeting

Organizational & Regular Board of Education Approved Minutes at the 07/27/2026 Board Meeting July 1, 2026, 4:00pm Boardroom, Community Resource Center

Board of Education:
Chris Bragdon (2025-2028)
(157 Eileen St. Yarmouth Port, MA 02675, participated by
google meet)
Tessa Connelly (2024-2027)
Joshua Eckstein (2026-2029)
Annie Huntington (2025-2028)
Sara Ohanessian (2024-2027)
Susan Rhodenizer (2025-2028)
John Williams (2026-2029)
Ex-Officio Student Board Member
Zoe Droegmyer (2026-2027)
Isha Parikh (Alternate)(2026-2027) (arrived at 4:30PM)

Administration:
Paul J. Casseri, Superintendent of Schools
Scott M. Hoot, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services
Marisa Iagallo-Barile, District Clerk

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance	The District Clerk called the meeting to order at 4:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.	
Acceptance of Agenda	RESOLVED , that the Board of Education accept the Organizational Meeting Agenda for July 1, 2026. Motion made by the District Clerk, seconded by Rhodenizer to accept the agenda.	Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Method of Voting	RESOLVED , that the method of voting is voice unless a roll call vote is requested by any one board member. If a roll call vote is requested, it shall be conducted alphabetically by each board member's last name. Motion made by the District Clerk, seconded by Huntington to approve the method of voting.	Approved, CARRIED, 7-0



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1. Administration of Oath

Oath of Office	The Oath of Faithful Performance in Office will be administered by the District Clerk to the following Board of Education members; John Williams Joshua Eckstein The oath of office was administered to John Williams and Joshua Eckstein by the District Clerk .	1
Oath of Office	The Oath of Faithful Performance in Office will be administered by the District Clerk to the following Ex Officio Student(s) Board of Education members; Zoe Droegmyer Isha Parikh The oath of office was administered to Zoe Droegmyer and Isha Parikh (4:30PM) by the District Clerk.	1A
Oath of Office	The Oath of Faithful Performance in Office will be administered by the District Clerk to Mr. Paul J. Casseri, Superintendent of Schools. The oath of office was administered to Paul J. Casseri by the District Clerk.	1B



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2. Election of Officers

Election of Board of Education President	The board will entertain nominations from its members for the office of President of the Board of Education for the 2026-2027 school year. Tessa Connelly was nominated by Sara Ohanessian to serve as President of the Board of Education for the 2026-2027 school year. RESOLVED, that Tessa Connelly be elected President of the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education. Motion made by the District Clerk, seconded by Huntington to approve the President of the Board of Education.	2 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Election of Board of Education Vice-President	The board will entertain nominations from its members for the office of Vice-President of the Board of Education for the 2026-2027 school year. Chris Bragdon was nominated by Annie Huntington to serve as Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2026-2027 school year. RESOLVED, that Chris Bragdon be elected Vice-President of the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education. Motion made by the District Clerk, seconded by Connelly to approve the Vice President of the Board of Education.	2A Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Oath of Office	The Oath of Faithful Performance in Office will be administered by the District Clerk to the newly elected President and Vice-President of the Board of Education. The oath of office was administered to Tessa Connelly (President) and Chris Bragdon (Vice President) by the District Clerk.	2B
President Pro Tem	RESOLVED, that in the absence of the Board of Education President and Vice President, the most senior board member present at the meeting will be appointed President Pro Tem for that meeting. Should two board members be present who were elected at the same time, the member who placed earliest in the ballot order at the most recent election will be appointed. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 2C.	2C Approved, CARRIED, 7-0



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3. Appointment of Officers

Appointment of District Officers	RESOLVED , that the following District Officers of the Board of Education be appointed with salaries to be paid: District Clerk, Marisa Iagallo-Barile Treasurer, Wendy Brown Deputy Treasurer, ToniMarie Waldeck \$2,500 Tax Collector, Kathy Moore, \$13,500 Internal Claims Auditor, Kathryn VanDeusen \$2,000 Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve item 3.	3 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Oath of Office	The Oath of Faithful Performance in Office will be administered by the President of the Board of Education to the District Clerk. The oath of office was administered to the District Clerk by the Board President.	3A

Please note: The Oath of Office for the Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Internal Claims Auditor will be administered at a later date, no later than July 20, 2026.

4. Other Appointments

Other Appointments	RESOLVED, that the following be appointed:		4 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
	Records Access/Records Management Officer	Mrs. ToniMarie Waldeck	
	International Program Coordinators	\$6,250/yr Mrs. Anika Fetzner \$6,250/yr Mrs. Rhonda Shiah	
	Community Education Director Community Education Coordinator	\$13,250/yr, Mrs. Rhonda Shiah \$10,500/yr, Mrs. Marisa I. Barile	
	Central Registration	\$1,750/yr, Mrs. Rhonda Shiah	
	School Physicians	Dr. Shawn Ferguson, MD Dr. Evelyn Coggins, MD Dr. R. P. Singh, MD	
	Financial Advisors	Municipal Solutions, Inc.	
	School Attorney Partners Senior Associates Associates Law Clerks Paralegals Educational Consultant Services (Dr. Howard Smith/Mr. Mike Cornell)	Webster Szanyi, LLP \$310/hour \$275/hour \$260/hour \$185/hour \$155/hour \$270/hour	



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Attorney/Consultant Partners	Hodgson Russ, LLP
Senior Associates	\$374/hour
Associates	\$355/hour
Law Clerks	\$339/hour
Legal Assistants	\$259/hour
Environmental Law	\$232/hour
	\$447/hour
Insurance	Gallagher Insurance
External Auditor	Lumsden & McCormick
Chief Emergency Officer	Mr. Paul J. Casseri
Designated Educational Official (DEO)	Mr. Paul J. Casseri
Chief Information Officer	Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio
Safety Director	Mr. Paul J. Casseri
Health, Physical Education Director/ Wellness Coordinator	Mr. Bradly Halgash
Technology Coordinator/Data Protection Officer/Designated Signee for Technology and Software Purchases	Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio
Attendance Officers	Mr. John Evert, HS Mr. Andrew Auer, MS Mrs. Tina Rodriguez, IEC Mrs. Tamara Larson, PEC
Internal Auditor	WithumSmith & Brown, PC
Audit Committee	Board of Education
Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer	Mrs. Breanna Burke
Title IX/Civil Rights/Discrimination Coordinators	Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio
Liaison for Homeless Children and Youth Liaison for Foster Care	Mrs. Breanna Burke
Medicaid Compliance Officer	Mrs. Breanna Burke



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	Food Service Officials-Federal Child Nutrition Program: Reviewing Official Hearing Official Verification Official	Mrs. Kristina Patti Mr. Paul J. Casseri Mrs. Kathy Moore
	Chemical Hygiene Officer	Mr. Paul J. Casseri
	Integrated Pest Management Coordinator (IPM)	Mr. Paul Feathers
	Emergency Manager	Mr. Paul Casseri
	Census Enumerator	Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio
	Dignity Act Compliance Coordinator	Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio
	Primary Ed. Center Dignity Act Coordinator	Ms. Emily Adamson
	Intermediate Ed. Center Dignity Act Coordinator	Ms. Emily Brook
	Middle School Dignity Act Coordinator	Ms. Kathleen Stack
	High School Dignity Act Coordinator	Ms. Petrina DiVincenzo
	Grants Coordinator	Mrs. Breanna Burke
	Designated signee for Contracts and Agreements	Mr. Paul Casseri/Designee
	Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve item 4.	
Agreement with School Physician	RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the agreement with Shawn Ferguson, M.D., to serve as Medical Inspector for the district and to provide independent contractor services in planning, development and implementation of a comprehensive school health program for the 2026-2027 school year. RESOLVED, that the Superintendent be granted the authority to sign this agreement on behalf of the District. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve item 4A.	4A Approved, CARRIED, 7-0



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5. Designations														
Designations	Official Newspaper for Bids, Legal Notices, and Advertising: Niagara Gazette Buffalo Business First District's Banking Institutions: Key Bank, Lewiston, New York; Manufacturers, and Traders Trust Company, JP Morgan Chase District's Banking/Government Investments: New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (NYCLASS) Lewiston-Porter District Banking Signatories Host Community Standing Committee: Mrs. Wendy Brown, School District Treasurer, and Mr. Paul J. Casseri, Superintendent Signatory on all Lewiston-Porter School District Checks: Mrs. Wendy Brown, School District Treasurer Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 5.	5 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0												
Board of Education Meetings	RESOLVED, that the meetings of the Board of Education will be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Community Resource Center, commencing at 6:00 PM, unless otherwise announced. Generally, the second Monday will be a work session and the fourth Monday will be our regular business meeting. <table><tr><td>Board Retreat Dates:</td><td>7/15/2026, 7/16/2026</td></tr><tr><td>Regular Board Meeting Dates:</td><td>7/27/2026, 8/24/2026 9/28/2026, 10/26/2026 11/23/2026, 12/21/2026 1/25/2027, 2/22/2027 3/15/2027, 4/26/2027 5/24/2027, 6/14/2027</td></tr><tr><td>Work Session Meeting Dates:</td><td>9/14/2026, 10/5/2026 11/9/2026, 12/7/2026 1/11/2027, 2/8/2027 3/1/2027, 4/12/2027 5/10/2027</td></tr><tr><td>ON/BOCES Budget & Election Meeting Date:</td><td>4/20/2027</td></tr><tr><td>Annual Budget Hearing Date:</td><td>5/10/2027</td></tr><tr><td>Annual Meeting/Election Date:</td><td>5/18/2027</td></tr></table>	Board Retreat Dates:	7/15/2026, 7/16/2026	Regular Board Meeting Dates:	7/27/2026, 8/24/2026 9/28/2026, 10/26/2026 11/23/2026, 12/21/2026 1/25/2027, 2/22/2027 3/15/2027, 4/26/2027 5/24/2027, 6/14/2027	Work Session Meeting Dates:	9/14/2026, 10/5/2026 11/9/2026, 12/7/2026 1/11/2027, 2/8/2027 3/1/2027, 4/12/2027 5/10/2027	ON/BOCES Budget & Election Meeting Date:	4/20/2027	Annual Budget Hearing Date:	5/10/2027	Annual Meeting/Election Date:	5/18/2027	5A Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
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	RESOLVED, that Robert’s Rules of Order (latest edition – 2000) be adopted as the guidelines for conducting Board of Education meetings. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 5A.																	
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Authorizations	<table><tr><td>Certify Payrolls/Purchasing Agent</td><td>Mr. Scott M. Hoot</td></tr><tr><td>Deputy Purchasing Agent</td><td>Mr. Paul J. Casseri</td></tr><tr><td>Petty Cash Fund(s)</td><td>TBD</td></tr><tr><td>Asbestos Compliance Officer</td><td>Mr. Paul Feathers</td></tr><tr><td>Student Residency Compliance Officer</td><td>Mr. Paul J. Casseri</td></tr><tr><td>Sexual Harassment Officer</td><td>Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio</td></tr><tr><td>Chief School Officer (Approve Budget Transfers up to \$25,000)</td><td>Mr. Paul J. Casseri</td></tr><tr><td>Approval of attendance at conferences with expenses</td><td>Mr. Paul J. Casseri</td></tr></table> Authorization to Require Education Law 913 Determination RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Lewiston-Porter School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to require employees to submit to a medical examination to determine their fitness to continue employment, and to make such arrangements as are necessary to effectuate this resolution, pursuant to Education Law §913. Authorization for Real Property Tax Refunds/Corrections WHEREAS, New York State Real Property Tax Law, section 554 and section 556, provides for an administrative correction of error process that assists property owners in obtaining refunds and/or corrections for real property tax payments or billings, and WHEREAS, certain clerical errors, unlawful entries and errors in essential fact, as defined in the New York State Real Property Tax Law, are permitted to be corrected by a taxing jurisdiction based upon the recommendation of the Director of Real Property Tax Services, and WHEREAS, the taxing jurisdiction can delegate, by resolution, on an annual basis, to an official who is empowered to authorize payment of bills, the authority to perform the duties of the tax levying body in regard to Real Property Tax Law, Sections 554 and 556, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services is hereby delegated the authority to perform the duties of tax levying body during 2026-2027	Certify Payrolls/Purchasing Agent	Mr. Scott M. Hoot	Deputy Purchasing Agent	Mr. Paul J. Casseri	Petty Cash Fund(s)	TBD	Asbestos Compliance Officer	Mr. Paul Feathers	Student Residency Compliance Officer	Mr. Paul J. Casseri	Sexual Harassment Officer	Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio	Chief School Officer (Approve Budget Transfers up to \$25,000)	Mr. Paul J. Casseri	Approval of attendance at conferences with expenses	Mr. Paul J. Casseri	6 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
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	when the Real Property Tax Director's recommended refund and/or correction is twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) or less, and be it further RESOLVED, that on, or before, the fifteenth day of each month the designated official shall submit a report to the Board of Education of the refunds and/or corrections processed during the preceding month, containing the name of each recipient, the location of the property, and the amount of the refund. Employee Leave Requests RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools be delegated the authority to approve employee unpaid leave requests of up to five (5) days. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve item 6.																																											
Extraclassroom Activity Fund	RESOLVED, that the High School Extraclassroom Activity Fund be approved in the account areas of: <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Art Club</td><td>Business Club</td><td>Class of 2027</td></tr> <tr> <td>Class of 2028</td><td>Class of 2029</td><td>Class of 2030</td></tr> <tr> <td>Drama</td><td>French Club</td><td>Future Teachers</td></tr> <tr> <td>Historical Society</td><td>HOSA</td><td>HS/MS Gay-Straight Alliance</td></tr> <tr> <td>International Studies</td><td>Key Club</td><td>Lancer Council</td></tr> <tr> <td>Lancer Leader Crew</td><td>Lew-Port Athletic Fund</td><td>Life Skills</td></tr> <tr> <td>Model UN</td><td>Music Projects</td><td>Musical Theater</td></tr> <tr> <td>National Honor Society</td><td>Science Honor Society</td><td>Spanish Club</td></tr> <tr> <td>Spanish NHS</td><td>Students to Startups</td><td>Traditions</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">Yearbook</td></tr> </table> Chief Faculty Counselor; Mr. Christopher D'Anna and Central Treasurer; Mrs. Sandra Girasole RESOLVED, that the Middle School Extraclassroom Activity Fund be approved in the account areas of: <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Art</td><td>Baking Club</td><td>Builder's Club</td></tr> <tr> <td>Drama Club</td><td>International Connections</td><td>Jazz Band</td></tr> <tr> <td>Jazz Ensemble</td><td>National Jr. Honor Society</td><td>Newspaper</td></tr> <tr> <td>Orchestra</td><td>Run Club</td><td>Science & Nature Club</td></tr> </table>	Art Club	Business Club	Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029	Class of 2030	Drama	French Club	Future Teachers	Historical Society	HOSA	HS/MS Gay-Straight Alliance	International Studies	Key Club	Lancer Council	Lancer Leader Crew	Lew-Port Athletic Fund	Life Skills	Model UN	Music Projects	Musical Theater	National Honor Society	Science Honor Society	Spanish Club	Spanish NHS	Students to Startups	Traditions	Yearbook			Art	Baking Club	Builder's Club	Drama Club	International Connections	Jazz Band	Jazz Ensemble	National Jr. Honor Society	Newspaper	Orchestra	Run Club	Science & Nature Club	6A Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
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Ski Club	Student Council/Activity Club	Washington D.C.
WEB	Yearbook	6th Grade Advisor
7th Grade Advisor	8th Grade Advisor	

Chief Faculty Counselor; Mr. Andrew Auer and Central Treasurer; Ms. Ellyn Chapman

RESOLVED, that the Primary/Intermediate Building Extraclassroom Activity Funds be approved in the account area of:

Elementary Activity Fund with the following Officers:
Chief Faculty Counselor; Mrs. Tamara Larson/Mrs. Tina Rodriguez and Central Treasurer; Mrs. Wendy Brown

Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 6A.

7. Official Undertakings (Bonds)

Bonding of District Employees	RESOLVED , that for the 2026-2027 school year, the bonding of various positions shall be established as follows: Public dishonesty and Faithful Performance shall be maintained with Fidelity coverage of \$100, 000 per employee; \$900, 000 per loss, plus additional coverage of \$1M for tax collector, internal auditor, treasurer, and computer fraud. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 7.	7 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Indemnification of the Board of Education and District Employees	RESOLVED , that the Board of Education does and hereby agrees to defend and indemnify any Board member, Superintendent, officer, administrator, principal, or member of the teaching or supervisory staff of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District in any action or proceeding brought against such person, provided that the action or proceeding arises out of the good faith performance of his or her duties and within the scope of his or her authority as a Board member, Superintendent, officer, administrator, principal or member of the teaching or supervisory staff. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 7A,	7A Approved, CARRIED, 7-0

8. Other Items

Re-adoption of Policies	RESOLVED , that the existing policies of the Board of Education, including Policy 5220, District Investments, for which annual review and re-adoption is required by regulation, be approved. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 8.	8 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
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Approval of the Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1)	RESOLVED, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein. FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A: (a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein; (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve item 8A.	8A Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Special Education Committees/Hearing Officers	RESOLVED, that the following Committee on Special Education for the 7-1-26 through 06-26-27 school year be appointed as submitted by the administration: Chairperson (Certified Administrator): Mrs. Breanna Burke CSE Chairperson: Mrs. Breanna Burke, Mrs. Amanda Emmons, Mrs. Wendy McCarley, Mr. Erich Reidell, Ms. Rachel Stiffen, Mrs. Amy Williams. A school physician, if specifically requested in writing by the parent of the student or by a member of the school at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. The parents or persons in a parental relationship to the student. Child's Special Education Teacher, or, if appropriate, the special education provider of the student. Child's Regular Education Teacher. Whenever appropriate, the student with a disability. Other individuals who have knowledge or special expertise regarding the child, including related services personnel as appropriate. Parent Member from the following list: Ms. Keenan Toohey RESOLVED, that the following Committee on Preschool Special Education for the 2026-2027 school year be appointed as submitted by the administration: Chairperson (Special Teacher/Certified Administrator): Mrs. Breanna Burke	8B Approved, CARRIED, 7-0



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	Parent Member from the following list: Ms. Keenan Toohey A representative of the municipality of the preschool child's residence provided that the attendance of the appointee of the municipality shall not be required for a quorum. Parents of the preschool child. At least one Special Education Teacher or, where appropriate, at least one Special Education Provider (i.e. Related Service Provider) of such a child. One regular education teacher of the child whenever the child is or may be participating in the regular education environment. An individual who can interpret the instructional implications of evaluation results, provided that such individual may also be the individual appointed as the regular education teacher, the special education teacher or special education provider, the school psychologist, the representative of the school district or a person having knowledge or special expertise regarding the student when such member is determined by the school district to have the knowledge and expertise to fulfill this role on the committee. Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the child, including related services personnel as appropriate, as the school district or the parent shall designate. The determination of knowledge or special expertise of such a person shall be made by the party (parents or school district) who invited the individual to be a member of the committee on special education. For a child in transition from early intervention programs and services, at the request of the parent, the appropriate professional designated by the agency that has been charged with the responsibility for the preschool child. RESOLVED, that the District Subcommittee on Special Education for the 2026-2027 school year be appointed, as submitted by the administration. The membership of the subcommittee shall include, but not be limited to: Parents of the student Regular education teacher of the student whenever the student is or may be participating in the regular education environment. One of the student's special education teachers, or, if appropriate, not less than one special education provider of the student. Representative of the school district who is qualified to provide, administer or supervise special education (Mrs. Breanna Burke, Director of Special Education/Grant Writing), or a representative who is knowledgeable about the general education curriculum and who is knowledgeable about the availability of resources of the school district (Teacher on Special	
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Assignment: Mrs. Amanda Emmons, School Psychologist: Ms. Rachel Stiffen, Mrs. Amy Williams). The representative of the school district shall serve as the chairperson of the subcommittee.

A school psychologist, whenever a new psychological evaluation is reviewed or a change to a program option is made with a more intensive staff/student ratio.

An individual who can interpret the instructional implications of evaluation results.

Such other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the student, including related services personnel as appropriate, as the committee or the parent shall designate.

The student, if appropriate.

RESOLVED, that Ms. Jennifer Beggs be appointed as the designated CSE and CPSE Surrogate Parent, as submitted by the administration.

RESOLVED, the Board of Education seeks to authorize certain individuals to appoint an Impartial Hearing Officer under section 1415 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA") if the Board does not have a regular meeting scheduled on a day when an appointment needs to be made.

The Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President or Vice-President to appoint an Impartial Hearing Officer on behalf of the full Board of Education, to preside over any due process hearing request filed under 1415 of the IDEA.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Lewiston-Porter School District, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, shall compensate Impartial Hearing Officers who have been certified by the Commissioner of Education of the State of New York to serve as Impartial Hearing Officers in accordance with Education Law Section 4404(1) and 8 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 200.1(x), at the following rates for services and expenses:

- (1) Certified Impartial Hearing Officers shall be compensated at the rate of one hundred dollars (\$100) per hour for time spent in pre-hearing, hearing, and post-hearing activities of researching and writing a decision. The District does not and will not pay for hearing dates that are adjourned or canceled, regardless of the reason, when the adjournment or cancellation is on two or more business days' notice.
- (2) Certified Impartial Hearing Officers will be reimbursed for travel time to and from the hearing. Automobile travel shall be reimbursed at the then-current per mile rate which is established from time to time for travel by District employees and representatives in lieu of the above hourly rate.



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	(3) Airline or train travel shall be reimbursed at the actual reasonable costs incurred by the Impartial Hearing Officer and actual travel time. The District will reimburse Impartial Hearing Officers for the cost of their lodging up to eighty dollars (\$80) per night with a receipt submitted or fifty-five dollars (\$55) per night without a receipt submitted for hearing dates that fall on consecutive days. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 8B.	
Appointment of the Annual Meeting Officers	RESOLVED, that the following individuals be appointed as officers for the Annual Meeting: Mrs. Marisa I. Barile (District Clerk/Chief Vote Coordinator), Mr. Kevin Szanyi (School Attorney/Meeting Chairperson), and Mrs. Barbara Carter (Vote Coordinator). Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve item 8C.	8C Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Service Agreement	RESOLVED, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the Services Agreement Reinstatement for the continuation of 403(b)/457(B) administration services by The Omni Group. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 8D.	8D Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Cooperative Bids	RESOLVED, that the BOE approves participation in numerous cooperative bids with BOCES, other NYS school districts, counties, municipalities, and national cooperatives. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve item 8E.	8E Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
ROC Participation DPA(s)	WHEREAS, four (4) BOCES (Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES, Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga BOCES, Madison-Oneida BOCES and Broome-Tioga BOCES) have collaborated and entered into an Article 5 General Municipal Law intermunicipal arrangement for the purpose of improving vendor management and data security and privacy practices for school districts and/or BOCES statewide known as the RIC ONE Risk Operations Center (the "ROC"); WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District, through its affiliation with a locally based Regional Information Center, participates with the ROC and desires for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, to authorize the ROC to enter into Data Privacy Agreements and related exhibits (DPAs) with vendors and third-party contractors that include the requirements of, and compliance with, New York State Education Law Section 2-d and Part 121 Regulations (collectively, "Ed Law 2d") related to student personally identifiable information (PII) and certain Teacher and Principal APPR data; WHEREAS, the ROC also partners with NYSED, the Access4Learning Student Data Privacy Consortium (SDPC) and The Education Cooperative (TEC), to negotiate and approve ED Law 2-d compliant DPA's. BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District authorizes the attorney designated by the ROC to negotiate and approve of DPAs for software and/or technology resources; and,	8F Approved, CARRIED, 7-0



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	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED , the Lewiston-Porter Central School District Board of Education grants the ROC and its designated attorneys the authority to negotiate the terms and conditions of DPAs and take such actions so as to effectuate the purposes and intent of this resolution. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 8F.																					
Rate for Substitutes	RESOLVED , that the substitute rates for the 2026-2027 school year are as follows; <table><tr><td>Principal</td><td>\$250/day \$300/day (after the first 5 days in the same assignment)</td></tr><tr><td>Assistant Principal</td><td>\$200/day \$225/day (after the first 5 days in the same assignment)</td></tr><tr><td>Instructional Substitutes (Non-Certified)</td><td>\$135/day \$140/day (after 10 consecutive days in the same placement)</td></tr><tr><td>Instructional Substitutes (Certified)</td><td>\$150/day \$160/day (after 10 consecutive days in the same placement)</td></tr><tr><td>Clerical</td><td>\$17/hr (minimum)</td></tr><tr><td>Aide</td><td>\$16/hr</td></tr><tr><td>Monitor</td><td>\$16/hr</td></tr><tr><td>Groundsperson</td><td>\$16.50/hr</td></tr><tr><td>Cleaner</td><td>\$16/hr</td></tr><tr><td>Nurse</td><td>\$30/hr</td></tr></table> Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 8G.	Principal	\$250/day \$300/day (after the first 5 days in the same assignment)	Assistant Principal	\$200/day \$225/day (after the first 5 days in the same assignment)	Instructional Substitutes (Non-Certified)	\$135/day \$140/day (after 10 consecutive days in the same placement)	Instructional Substitutes (Certified)	\$150/day \$160/day (after 10 consecutive days in the same placement)	Clerical	\$17/hr (minimum)	Aide	\$16/hr	Monitor	\$16/hr	Groundsperson	\$16.50/hr	Cleaner	\$16/hr	Nurse	\$30/hr	8G Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
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Tax Exemption/ Partial Exemption for Disabled	RESOLVED , by the Board of Education of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District as follows: The purpose of this resolution is to grandfather a partial exemption from taxation to certain owners of real property who meet limited income and other requirements who have previously been receiving this benefit. Such requirements, and the corresponding percentages of assessed valuation which would be exempt from taxation depending on income level, are set forth in Subsection 459 of the Real Property Tax law and in Section B of this Resolution, below. A. The owner, or all the owners of the property, must have previously	8H Approved, CARRIED, 7-0																				



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	filed an application for such exemption, and have been receiving an exemption prior to July 1, 2016, on forms prescribed by the State Board and obtained from the assessing authority. The applications shall furnish all information requested, and be executed in the manner prescribed on such forms. Said applications shall be filed in the Assessor’s Office on or before the appropriate taxable status date. B. The income of the owner or the combined income of the owners must not exceed the maximums set out in the following schedule, for the twelve consecutive months prior to the date that the application is filed: <table><tr><th>Disability Exemption Income</th><th>Exemption Percent</th></tr><tr><td>Less than: \$ 17,500</td><td>50%</td></tr><tr><td>From: \$ 17,500 to \$ 18,499.99</td><td>45%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 18,500 to \$ 19,499.99</td><td>40%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 19,500 to \$ 20,499.99</td><td>35%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 20,500 to \$ 21,399.99</td><td>30%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 21,400 to \$ 22,299.99</td><td>25%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 22,300 to \$ 23,199.99</td><td>20%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 23,200 to \$ 24,099.99</td><td>15%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 24,100 to \$ 24,999.99</td><td>10%</td></tr><tr><td>\$ 25,000 to \$ 25,900.00</td><td>5%</td></tr></table>	Disability Exemption Income	Exemption Percent	Less than: \$ 17,500	50%	From: \$ 17,500 to \$ 18,499.99	45%	\$ 18,500 to \$ 19,499.99	40%	\$ 19,500 to \$ 20,499.99	35%	\$ 20,500 to \$ 21,399.99	30%	\$ 21,400 to \$ 22,299.99	25%	\$ 22,300 to \$ 23,199.99	20%	\$ 23,200 to \$ 24,099.99	15%	\$ 24,100 to \$ 24,999.99	10%	\$ 25,000 to \$ 25,900.00	5%	
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	C. Title to the property must be vested in the owner, or if more than one, in all the owners, for at least twenty-four (24) consecutive months prior to the date that the application for exemption is filed. D. The property must be used exclusively for residential purposes, be occupied in whole or in part by the owners, and constitute the legal residence of the owners. This resolution shall take effect and apply to the 2026-2027 school taxes. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 8H.																							
Tax Exemption/ Partial Exemption for Seniors	RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District as follows: The purpose of this resolution is to grant a partial exemption from taxation to certain owners of real property who meet limited income and other requirements. Such requirements, and the corresponding percentages of assessed valuation which would be exempt from taxation depending on income level, are set forth in Subsection 467 of the Real Property Tax law and in Section B of this Resolution, below. A. The owner, or all the owners of the property, must file an application for such exemption on forms prescribed by the State Board and obtained from the assessing authority. The applications shall furnish all information requested, and be executed in the manner prescribed on such forms. Said applications shall be filed in the Assessor’s Office on or before the appropriate taxable status date. B. The income of the owner or the combined income of the owners must not exceed the maximums set out in the following schedule, for the twelve consecutive months prior to the date that the application is filed:	81 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0																						



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NOSBA Representative	RESOLVED, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education appoint Mrs. Susan Rhodenizer as the District’s representative to the Niagara Orleans School Boards Association. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 8J.	8J Approved, CARRIED, 7-0																						
Niagara Power Coalition Representative	RESOLVED, that Mr. Paul J. Casseri be designated as the Lewiston-Porter Central School District’s representative to the Niagara Power Coalition and that Mr. Scott M. Hoot and Mrs. Andrea Tamarazio be designated as alternate representatives. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 8K.	8K Approved, CARRIED, 7-0																						
Bi-weekly Pay Schedule	RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the report day and payday schedule as submitted by the administration for the 2026-2027 school year, as follows: <table><tr><td>Month</td><td>Payroll Dates</td></tr><tr><td>July</td><td>2nd,16th & 30th</td></tr><tr><td>August</td><td>13th & 27th</td></tr><tr><td>September</td><td>10th & 24th</td></tr><tr><td>October</td><td>8th & 22nd</td></tr><tr><td>November</td><td>5th & 19th</td></tr><tr><td>December</td><td>3rd, 17th & 30th</td></tr></table>	Month	Payroll Dates	July	2nd,16th & 30th	August	13th & 27th	September	10th & 24th	October	8th & 22nd	November	5th & 19th	December	3rd, 17th & 30th	8L Approved, CARRIED, 7-0								
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	January	14th & 28th	
	February	11th & 25th	
	March	11th & 25th	
	April	8th & 22nd	
	May	6th & 20th	
	June	3rd, & 17th, 30th (The 30th is for 10-month employees)	
	Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 8L.		
Mileage Reimbursement	RESOLVED, that mileage reimbursement for the 2026-2027school year be set as established by the Federal Internal Revenue Service. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 8M.		8M Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Approval of 2026-2027 NYS Extension of Food Service Contract	RESOLVED, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the 2026-2027 NYS Extension of Food Service Contract. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve item 8N.		8N Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Approval of 2026-2027 STA Bus Transportation Contract	RESOLVED, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the 2026-2027 NYS Extension of Student Transportation of America (STA) Bus Transportation Contract. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 8O.		8O Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Meal Reimbursement	RESOLVED, that meal reimbursements for the 2026-2027 school year be set as established by the Federal Internal Revenue Service. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve item 8P.		8P Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Adjournment	Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to adjourn the public meeting at 4:16PM.		Approved, CARRIED, 7-0

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER		
Call to Order	The Board President called the meeting to order at 4:18PM.	Board President
Acceptance of Agenda	RESOLVED, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the Agenda for July 1, 2026. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to accept the agenda.	Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
NEW BUSINESS		
Acceptance of the Phase III 2024 Capital Improvement State Contracts	RESOLVED , upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the State Contract as follows: Scoreboard: Toth Sports \$101,090 (includes OCP insurance for all 3) Electronic Display: Toth Sports \$115,000 Sound System: Toth Sports \$21,950 Total State Contract Amount to be Awarded \$238,040 Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve NA-1.	NA-1 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Approval of the Musical Instruments and Supplies Awards	RESOLVED , upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the awards for the Musical Instruments and Supplies to Monaco's Violin Shop, Shar Music, Sweetwater Sound, Washington Music Center and West Music. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to approve NA-2.	NA-2 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Approval of the Ontario Shores Lease Agreement	RESOLVED , upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education approve the Ontario Shores Lease agreement for 7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve NA-3.	NA-3 Approved, CARRIED, 7-0
Adjournment	Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to adjourn the public meeting at 4:20PM.	Approved, CARRIED, 7-0

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