Unapproved, unofficial Minutes of the April 10, 2017 Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education had a meeting on April 10, 2017 @ 7:30pm in the board room, public notice having been given in accordance with Pa.C.S.A. § 709 (Sunshine Act) & LTSD Procedure #006. The President called the meeting to order. Present: Mr. Beichler, Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Clarke, Dr. Mould, Mr. Mulhern, Mr. Ross, Mr. Stark, Mr. Strauch, Mr. Mr. Thorne. Administrators present: Mr Rakauskas, Dr. Murphy, Mr. Kearney, Dr. Ross, Mr. Glynn, Ms. Talarico, and Mrs. Sarah DeBree.

The meeting began with a presentation about K'Nex student achievement, Led By Dr. Ross

All Motions were passed by unanimous approval unless otherwise noted.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Ross that the minutes from the last two meetings be approved. Passed 7-1-1, Mr. Strauch voting 'NO' because he was not given the material far enough in advance to be checked. Mr. Thorne abstaining because he was not at the previous meeting.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Bianchi that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.

+ Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Thorne that the board approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne, Mr. Bianchi that the board approve an amendment to the 2016-2017 school calendar to include June 12-16 for make-up days, and reschedule graduation to Tuesday, June 13, 2017.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Dr. Mould that the board approve the Academic Calendar for the 2017-2018 school year. (Administration has the authority to make minor modifications to react to unexpected events)

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Strauch that the board approve the agreement between Lackawanna Trail School District and Wyoming County Juvenile Court for contracted services for the 2017-2018 school year, at a cost of \$13,500.

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Clarke that the board approve the appointment of Melissa Flynn as an outsourced independent contractor for Social Work Services for the 2017-2018 school year at a salary of \$36,000.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Dr. Mould that the board approve the contract with Pivot for Athletic Training (\$22.50 per hour), Physical Therapy (\$100 per hour), Occupational Therapy (\$100), and Speech Pathology Services (\$90 per hour) for the 2017-2018 school year.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Mulhern that the board approve that Sweet, Stevens, Katz, Williams (John G. Audi) be appointed as school solicitor at a rate per the proposed agreement, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, with no increase in rates. Passed 8-1, Mr. Strauch voting 'NO'.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Strauch that the board approve the contract with Nutrition Group, Inc. for the 2017-2018 school year.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Mulhern that the board approve the resignation of Katie Lane as Social Studies Teacher, effective immediately.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Beichler that the board approve the contract of Sarah DeBree from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2021, pay in line with LTESPA secretary position. Passed 8-1, Dr. Mould voting 'NO' because he objected to the length of the contract.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Bianchi that the board approve the retirement of Colleen Ronchi, Bookkeeper, at the end of September 2017.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne, Mr. Bianchi that the board approve the retirement of Wendy Cathrall, Special Education Math Teacher, at the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Dr. Mould that the board approve the resignation of Laura Evans as an Assistant Cross Country Coach, effective immediately.

+ Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Ross that the board approve Laura Evans as the Junior High Field Hockey Coach for the 2017-2018 school year, at a stipend of \$3,550, as per the LTEA contract. Mr. Strauch voting 'NO' on all extra-curricular spending until the Music Teacher position is filled.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Strauch that the board approve Troy Thurston as a private driver for Lackawanna Trail School District for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. All clearances on file.

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Stark that the board approve Michelle Herron as a Volunteer Band Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. All clearances on file.

+ Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Bianchi that the board approve Jean Kerr as a Volunteer Band Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. All clearances on file.

+ Motion by Mr. Beichler, Mr. Clarke that the board approve Sarah VanFleet as a Volunteer Band Assistant for the 2017-2018 school year. All clearances on file.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne, Mr. Bianchi that the board approve Dr. Ross' request to send the two teams of students who won first place in the 4th-5th and 6th-8th grade divisions of the regional K'Nex competition to Harrisburg on May 19, 2017, along with their teacher coaches, to compete in the state K'Nex competition. (Costs will be for 2 vans, 1 sub teacher)

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Bianchi that the board approve the senior class trip to Six Flags, Jackson, NJ, on June 5, 2017, at no cost to the district.

+ Motion by Mr. Clarke, Mr. Mulhern to adjourn.

There was an Executive Session from 6:30 - 7:27pm

+ to meet and discuss position postings

+ to review personnel/staffing information

There will be an Executive Session before the next meeting to discuss matters that may arise.