Unapproved, unofficial Minutes of the June 25, 2018 Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education had a meeting on June 25, 2018 @ 7:30pm in the Elementary Center Multi-Purpose room (gym / cafeteria / auditorium), 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. Bianchi, Mr. Minick, Dr. Mould, Mr. Mulhern, Ms. Naylor, Mr. Ross, Mr. Stark, Mr. Strauch, Mr. Thorne. Administrators present: Mr Rakauskas, Mr. Kearney, Miss Talarico, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Kordish and Mrs. Crum.

The meeting was attended by about nine public and two reporters.

NOTE: Due to the unacceptable, poor acoustics of the venue, there may be mistakes reported on this set of minutes. Any corrections discovered will be applied ASAP.

All motions passed by unanimous approval unless otherwise noted.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Bianchi to approve the minutes from the last three meetings.

+ Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Stark that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.

+ Motion by Dr. Mould, Mr. Strauch to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Thorne to approve the business manager to pay any necessary bills for the month of July 2018 should the scheduled July 9th meeting be cancelled. (That meeting is currently cancelled)

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Mr. Mulher to approve the opening of a money market account with First National Bank to hold operating funds in excess of current months cash needs.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne to approve lackawanna Trail School District's 2018-2019 final budget in the amount of \$22,477,831.80. Approved 6-3 with Bianchi, Minick and Strauch voting "NO".

+ Move to approve the following tax rates for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Passed 8-1, Strauch voting "NO"

	Lackawanna County	wyoming County
Act 679 Per Capita	\$5 per person	\$5 per person
Act 511 Per Capita	\$5 per person	\$5 per person
Earned Income	.5% earnings	.5 % earnings
Real Estate Transfer	.5% sale price	.5% sale price
Real Estate Tax	165.68 mills of assessed value	93.8 mills of assessed value
	(Approximately 3% increase in millage rates)	

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Bianchi to approve the Title III MOU (Memorandum Of Understanding) with the NEIU19 Consortium for the 2018-2019 school year.

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Bianchi to appoint Dr. Mould as Lackawanna Trail School Board Treasurer for the 2018-2019 school year, at a stipend of \$600. Passed 8-0-1 with Dr. Mould abstaining. Dr. Mould generously directed that this stipend be split equally to benefit the Booster Club, Arts Alive program and the Friends of Music as he has done for years.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Thorne to approve the appointment of Lauren Hales to teach Extended School Year from July 9, 2018 to August 9, 2018.

+ Move to approve the contract for Tara Crum as the Confidential Administrative Assistant, from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, at an initial rate of \$ 20.50/hour, effective July 1, 2018.

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Thorne to acknowledge the resignation of Michelle Getts from her position as Guidance Counselor, effective June 30, 2018.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne, Ms. Naylor to approve fifteen days maximum of summer employment the guidance department. Passed 8-1, Mr. Ross voting "NO".

+ Motion by Mr. Strauch, Mr. Bianchi to approve the 2018 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution.

+ Motion to approve the following student meal prices for the 2018-2019 school year:			
High School Lunch	\$2.90	(No change)	
High School Breakfast	Free	(previously \$1.90)	
Reduced Breakfast (H.S.)	Free	(previously \$.30)	
Elementary Lunch	\$2.65	(previously \$2.55)	
Reduced Lunch (District-wide)	\$.40	(no change)	
Elementary Breakfast	Free	(no change)	

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Mr. Bianchi to approve the Student Handbook for the 2018-2019 school year for the Elementary School.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Ross to approve the Student Handbook for the 2018-2019 school year for the Jr./Sr. High School.

+ Motion by Mr. Thorne to acknowledge the retirement of Thomas James, Waste Water Treatment Operator for the Lackawanna Trail School District, effective June 30, 2018.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Stark to approve the professional operation of waste water services provided by Hester Wastewater Services LCC from July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Thorne to acknowledge Sandra Hayduk's resignation as the assistant track and field coach effective June 13, 2018

+ Motion to adjourn at 8:27pm.

There was an Executive Session from 6:30 - 7:19pm

- + to discuss a contractual issue
- to receive financial information

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