

Unapproved, unofficial Minutes of the March 9, 2020 Lackawanna Trail School Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education had a meeting on March 9, 2020 @ 7:34pm in the Board room, public notice having been given in accordance with Pa.C.S.A. § 709 (Sunshine Act) & LTSD Procedure #006. In the absence of the President, the Vice President called the meeting to order. Present: Mr. Bianchi, Dr. Mould, Mr. Minick, Mulhern, Ms. Naylor, Mr. Ross, Mr. Petula, Mr. Stark, Absent: Mr. Thorne. Administrators present: Mr. Rakauskas, Dr. Murphy, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Kordish, Ms. Talarico, Ms. Kuchak.

There were ten members of the public and ONE reporter present at the meeting.

The following motions were read, voted upon, and unanimously approved.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Ms. Naylor to approve minutes of March 2 and February 10 as submitted.

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

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

+ Motion by Mr. Minick, Mr. Ross to approve the request for proposal for Lackawanna Trail School District Wireless Access Point Upgrade to ePlus at a pre-eRate cost of \$33,939.50, pending e-rate and General Operating Budget funding approval.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Bianchi to approve the internet service contract proposal from Frontier for 500mb internet service at \$990/month and Point to Point Access of 3000mb at \$650/month for a term of 3 years eligible for e-rate discount.

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Mr. Minick to approve the 2018-2019 Single Audit prepared by Murphy, Dougherty as submitted.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Minick to table a motion to approve the Act 93 Administration contract approval for July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2024.

+ Motion by Mr. Minick, Mr. Bianchi that the board remove from the table, the motion to approve the Lackawanna Trail School District Policy Book, proposed by the Pennsylvania School Board Association, except for the following policies: 104, 113.1, 113.2, 113.3, 200, 204, 207, 216, 217, 249, 251, 806, 810, 810.1, 810.3, 815 and 828, which were all previously adopted and do not require any new updates since their adoption.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Stark to approve the first reading of the following policies. [Mr. Strauch rose issues that he requested be addressed to fine tune policies 206, 209.1, 222, 230, 233, 238, 239, 246 and 247.](#)

201 Admission of Students	222 Tobacco and Vaping
202 Eligibility of Nonresident Students	223 Use of Bicycles
203 Immunizations and Communicable Diseases	224 Care of School Property
203.1 HIV Infection	225 DELETE Relations with Law Enforcement
205 Postgraduate Students	226 Searches
206 Assignment Within District	227 Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia
206.1 DELETE Courses Change	228 Student Government
208 Withdrawal from School	229 Student Fundraising
209 Health Examinations/Screenings	230 Public Performances by Students
209.1 Food Allergy Management	231 Social Events and Class Trips
209.2 Diabetes Management	232 Students Involvement in Decision-Making
210 Medications	233 Suspension and Expulsion
210.1 Possession/Administration of Asthma Inhalers/Epinephrine Auto-Injectors	234 Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students
211 DELETE Student Accident Insurance	235 Student Rights and Responsibilities
212 Report Student Progress	235.1 Surveys
213 DELETE Grading Student Progress	236 Student Assistant Program
216.1 ON HOLD Supplemental Discipline Records	237 Electronic Devices
218 Student Discipline	238 DELETE Parent-Of-Record
218.1 Weapons	239 Foreign Exchange Students
218.2 Terroristic Threats	240 Awards
218.3 DELETE Fighting/Use of Profanity	246 School Wellness
219 Student Complaint Process	247 Hazing
220 Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Material	248 RETIRE Unlawful Harassment
221 Dress and Grooming	250 Student Recruitment
	252 Dating Violence
	255 Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Mr. Mulhern to approve the appointment of Mary Kate Rodenbach as a full time Secretary to begin on March 23, 2020 at \$21.59/hour, as stipulated in the LTESPA contract. All clearances are on file.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Ms. Naylor to approve the disciplinary adjudication for student #22717.

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Mr. Stark to approve the Ski Club's trip request for the middle of the week in January 2021 (date tbd) for a two-day trip to Vermont (Smuggler's Notch in Jeffersonville, Vt. or Stowe Resort in Stowe, Vt., location tbd) with a cost to the district for up to four teacher substitutes for those two days.

+ Motion by Mr. Minick, Mr. Bianchi to approve the Senior Class Field Trip to Six Flags Great Escape Amusement Park and Indoor Waterpark in Queensbury, NY on May 22-23, 2020.

+ Motion by Mr. Minick, Ms. Naylor to approve Judy Ambrose's request for unpaid leave for 3.5 days, a half day on April 6, 2020 and full days April 7-9, 2020.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Dr. Mould to acknowledge Keith Glynn's resignation as the Junior High Basketball Coach, effective immediately.

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Mr. Bianchi to acknowledge Sarah Richard's resignation as the Basketball Cheerleading Coach, effective immediately.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Bianchi to approve Steve Beckish as a Volunteer Golf Coach for the 2020-2021 school year. All Clearances are on file.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Bianchi to approve Rhett Butler as a Volunteer Golf Coach for the 2020-2021 school year. All Clearances are on file.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Dr. Mould to approve Charlie Cobb as Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach for the 2019-2020 season. All clearances are on file.

+ Motion to approve Luke Ryon as Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach for the 2019-2020 season. All clearances are on file.

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Dr. Mould to remove from the table, the motion to approve Lori Swanchak as a Volunteer Coach for the Track and Field program for the 2019-2020 season. All clearances are on file.

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+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Mulhern to approve Vince Kalinoski Jr. as Volunteer Football Coach for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school year. All clearances are on file.

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Mulhern to approve Marisa Ryon as Jr. High Volunteer Softball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year. All clearances are on file.

The Superintendent's report included comment on the preparations for COVID-19, Capital improvements including paving, the sewage plant and field house. Also, the school calendar for the next year is being prepared and should be available at next month's meeting.

Mr. Strauch gave a report about the Wellness Committee February 18 meeting.

The Friends of Music reported that there would be a Pasta Dinner fund raiser at Gins on next Monday. Contact any member for details.

The PTO reported that they provided enhancements to the Read Across America efforts last week. And they sponsored a 6th grade trip to Biztown.

There was a request from the public for advanced classes in science to be added to the curriculum.

There were discussions about the proposed Field House and possible alternative needs for the funds.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13pm.

There were Executive Sessions before the meeting from 5:30 to 6:40 and 6:45 to 7:29pm to:

+ discuss negotiations with the Lackawanna Trail Act 93 employees

+ review a personnel matter with one employee

An Executive Session is expected before the next general meeting.