

Loyalsock Township School District

Meeting of School Directors

September 10, 2008

7:10 p.m.

*Board Conference Room
1720 Sycamore Road
Montoursville, PA 17754*

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order – President**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Administrative Report/Executive Session Purpose – Mr. Eugene Yaw, Solicitor**
6:00 p.m. – 7:05 p.m. Personnel; Collective Bargaining; Litigation; 8:15 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Personnel
4. **Roll Call – Mr. Gerald L. McLaughlin, Business Manager/Board Secretary**

MEMBER

X Edward H. Ade, Jr.
X Stephen M. Dewar
X John G. Lamade, Treasurer
X Denise S. Leete
X Raymond P. McGinnis
X Lenore G. Penfield

MEMBER

X Margaret P. Piper, Vice President
X Jeri S. Sims, President
X Scott T. Williams
X *Dr. Richard Mextorf, Superintendent of Schools
X *Gerald McLaughlin, Business Mgr./Bd.Secretary
X *Eugene Yaw, Solicitor

*(Non-Voting Member)

OTHERS

X Allen Di Marco, Loyalsock Township High School Principal
X Matthew Reitz, Assistant High School Principal
X Timothy Fausnaught, Loyalsock Township Middle School Principal
X Scott Mato, Donald E. Schick Elementary School Principal
X John Rhoads, Donald E. Schick Assistant Elementary School Principal
X Sherry Griggs, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction
X Dayne Watkins, Supervisor of Special Education
X Eric Gee, Director of Technology
X Heather Gach & Greg Hayes, *Williamsport Sun-Gazette* Representatives

5. **A. Recognition of Guests or Scheduled Speakers/Public Comments**

B. Superintendent's Report/Discussion Items

**Education/PSSA Information/Creating Safety Nets & On Ramps
Presentation - Mr. Mato**

C. Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items

D. Recommendation and Approval of all Items Listed on the Agenda for Official Action

It is recommended the Board approve all items listed on the agenda (and supplemental agenda) for official action.

Motion: Mr. Lamade

Second: Mr. McGinnis

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

6. Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes

It is recommended the Board approve the following Minutes:

- August 6, 2008, Meeting of the Board of School Directors
- August 20, 2008, Work Session of the Board of School Directors

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

7. Finance

A. Approval of Bills

It is recommended the Board approve expenditures from July 1, 2008, through July 31, 2008, in the amount of \$1,208,270.88.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

B. Treasurer's Report

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2008.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

8. School/District Programs and Operations

A. Curriculum Team

It is recommended the Board approve the attached list of curriculum representatives for the 2008-2009 school year.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

9. Personnel

A. Appointment of Long-Term Substitute – Middle School 6th Grade Reading Teacher

It is recommended the Board appoint Ms. Nicole Porter, 570 Reynolds Street, South Williamsport, PA 17702, as a long-term substitute (effective September 2, 2008) assigned as a 6th grade reading teacher for the 2008-2009 school year. Ms. Porter will serve as a substitute teacher during a leave of absence requested by Mrs. Fry.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

B. Appointment of Long-Term Substitute – Elementary Teacher

It is recommended the Board appoint Ms. Kelly Pittenger, 4733 Warrensville Road, Montoursville, PA 17754, as a long-term substitute assigned as an elementary teacher effective August 21, 2008. Ms. Pittenger will serve as a substitute teacher during a leave of

absence (tentatively through November 3, 2008) requested by Mrs. Zaccaria.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

C. Resignation

Letters of resignation were received from:

- Ellen Russell – Personal Care Aide
- John Long – School Bus Driver
- Richard Hoffer – School Bus Driver

D. Appointment of Substitute – Half-Time Spanish

It is recommended the Board appoint Mrs. Sarah Shipman, 106 Vera Road, Montoursville, PA 17754, as a substitute assigned as a Half-Time Spanish teacher effective August 25, 2008, pursuant to the terms of the attached Memorandum of Understanding.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

E. Appointment of Cafeteria/Playground Monitor

It is recommended the Board appoint Ms. Susan Mull, 1313 Elliott Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, as a part-time cafeteria/playground monitor effective August 29, 2008. Ms. Mull will receive an hourly rate of \$7.15.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

F. Substitute Personnel

It is recommended the Board approve the attached list of substitute teachers, secretaries, nurses, aides, etc. for the 2008-2009 school year.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

G. Appointment of Fall Coaches

It is recommended the Board appoint the attached list of revised coaches (pending documentation) for the 2008-2009 sports season.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

10. Other

A. Real Estate Tax Exoneration

It is recommended the Board exonerate Mrs. Dorothy White from collecting taxes on the following parcels for real estate taxes for the 2008 tax year:

- 26-349-105B-999 (Bill #4410) in the amount of \$49,402.34 (Williamsport Home)
- 26-349-105C (Bill #4411) in the amount of \$1,920.75 (Williamsport Home)

Exoneration is in accordance with the agreement between Williamsport Home and Loyalsock Township School District for payment in lieu of taxes in the amount of \$42,282.00.

Yes: Ade, Dewar, Lamade, Leete, McGinnis, Penfield, Piper, Sims, Williams
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

11. Information Items/School Reports

A. Dates for Board Members' Calendars

- **School Board Meeting**
- **October 1, 2008**
- **7:00 p.m.**

B. School Reports

1. Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction/Federal Programs – Mrs. Sherry Griggs
2. Donald E. Schick Elementary School –
Mr. Scott Mato, Principal/Mr. John Rhoads, Assistant Principal
3. Loyalsock Township Middle School – Mr. Timothy Fausnaught, Principal
4. Loyalsock Township High School –
Mr. Allen Di Marco, Principal/Dr. Matthew Reitz, Assistant Principal
5. Supervisor of Special Education – Ms. Dayne Watkins
6. Director of Technology – Mr. Eric Gee

C. Board Comments/Reports

1. School District Solicitor Report – Eugene Yaw, Esquire
2. Legislative Report – Mrs. Margaret Piper
3. IU Representative Report – Mr. Raymond McGinnis
4. Loyalsock Township Recreation Board Report – Mr. Edward H. Ade, Jr.
5. Loyalsock Township Tax Review Board – Mr. John Lamade
6. Other

12. Public Comments

Mr. McGinnis inquired as to whether or not a committee should be formed to discuss the effects of gas exploration may have on our school district. Attorney Yaw responded that this may be premature based on information he has received regarding growth in the Texas area. He also commented that gas exploration may be a very long process due to regulations, water supply, etc. **The President noted that the Board will continue to monitor gas exploration.**

13. Adjournment @ 8:15 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Lamade
Second: Mrs. Penfield

Business Manager/Board Secretary