

Loyalsock Township School District

Meeting of School Directors

October 7, 2020

7:08 p.m.

***Board Conference Room
1605 Four Mile Drive
Williamsport, PA 17701***

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order – President, Paul Young**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Administrative Report/Executive Session Purpose – Mr. Eugene Yaw, Solicitor**
6:03-7:04 p.m. – Personnel; Contracts; Litigation
- 4. Roll Call – Mr. M. Daniel Egly, Board Secretary**

 x Charles W. Edmonds, Treasurer
 * Christina L. Kiessling
 * Valerie N. Komarnicki
 x Robert D. Leidhecker
 x John B. Raymond, Vice President
 x Carolyn R. Strickland, Ph.D.

*Remote

 x Melvin E. Wentzel
 x Paul R. Young, II
 x Michael J. Zicoello
 x *Eugene Yaw, Solicitor
 x *Gerald L. McLaughlin, Superintendent
 x *M. Daniel Egly, Business Mgr./Bd.Secretary

*(Non-Voting Member)

OTHERS

 ab Matthew Reitz, Loyalsock Township High School Principal
 x Jamie Yonkin, Loyalsock Township High School Assistant Principal
 x Ashley Sekel, Middle School Principal
 x Matthew Johnson, K-2 Elementary Principal
 x Preston Shellenberger, 3-5 Elementary School Principal
 x Eric Gee, Director of Technology
 x Suzanne Foresman, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction
 * Lisa Fisher, Supervisor of Special Education
 ab Pat Crossley, *Williamsport Sun-Gazette*

- 5.**
 - A. Recognition of Guests or Scheduled Speakers/Public Comments**
 - Moment of Silence
 - Athletic Update – Ron Insinger, Athletic Director
 - B. Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items – None**

6. Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes

It is recommended the Board approve the Minutes of the following meetings:

- September 2, 2020 – School Board
- September 9, 2020 – Special Meeting

Motion: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Dr. Strickland

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

7. Personnel

A. School Resource/Police Officers

It is recommended the Board appoint Bret Myers, William Deininger, Jr., and Brandon Schrimp as School Resource/Police Officers and to grant Bret Myers, William Deininger, Jr., and Brandon Schrimp jurisdiction to exercise said authority and power of a School Resource/Police Officer for the Loyalsock Township School District, pending documentation/certification and an Order of the Court of Common Pleas of Lycoming County pursuant to the Public School Code at 24 P.S. § 2-201, *et seq.*

Motion: Mr. Edmonds

Second: Mr. Leidhecker

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

B. Support Staff – LTESPA Transfer

It is recommended the Board approve the following transfer:

- Stephanie Smith from part-time paraprofessional to full-time paraprofessional effective September 8, 2020

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker

Second: Mr. Raymond

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

C. Support Staff – LTESPA Appointments

It is recommended the Board appoint the following individuals:

- Josephine Powley; Part-Time Paraprofessional; \$10.75/hr. effective September 11, 2020
- Scott Larson; Part-Time Custodian; \$13.00/hr. effective September 29, 2020

Motion: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Dr. Strickland

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel, Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

D. Appointment of Junior High Girls' Basketball Coaches

It is recommended the Board reappoint Janelle Ziminski and Allison Gaetano as Junior High Girls' Basketball Coaches with a stipend of \$2,950 for the 2020-2021 sports season. Stipends for athletic personnel may be prorated based on the number of completed in-season weeks due to pandemic restrictions required by governmental agencies.

Motion: Mr. Raymond

Second: Dr. Strickland

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel, Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

E. Requests for Uncompensated Leave

It is recommended the Board approve the following requests for uncompensated leave in accordance with Policy 339:

- Kathryn Hauck, part-time food service employee (tentatively September 7, 2020/approximately four weeks)
- Keri Beth Wapinsky, part-time paraprofessional (tentatively August 31, 2020/approximately eight weeks)

Motion: Dr. Strickland

Second: Mr. Edmonds

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel, Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

F. Termination of Employee

It is recommended the Board terminate Roger Davis as a mathematics teacher effective January 29, 2020.

Motion: Mr. Zicoello Second: Dr. Strickland
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

G. Retirements/Resignations

The Board acknowledges notice of the following retirements/resignations:

- Dana Williams; English Teacher; Resignation effective October 23, 2020
- Mary Jean Casale; Paraprofessional; Resignation effective August 13, 2020
- Andrea Molter; Paraprofessional; Resignation effective September 20, 2020

8. Policy

A. Policies

It is recommended the Board retire the following policies:

- ◆ Policy No. 248 – Student/Unlawful Harassment
- ◆ Policy No. 348 – Employee/Unlawful Harassment

These policies are being retired as the relevant language was incorporated in Policies 103 and 104 revised on August 12, 2020.

Motion: Mr. Edmonds Second: Mr. Leidhecker
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
 Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

9. Other

A. **Approval of Contract – Independent School Bus Drivers Association**

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Memorandum of Contract with the Loyalsock Township School District Independent School Bus Drivers Association effective August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2023.

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker Second: Mr. Wentzel
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

B. **Real Estate Tax Exoneration**

It is recommended the Board exonerate Dorothy White Mertz from collecting taxes on the following parcels for real estate taxes for the 2020 tax year:

- 26-349-105B-999 (Bill #4478) in the amount of \$58,264.84 (Williamsport Home)
- 26-349-105C (Bill #4479) in the amount of \$2,167.49 (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 \$57,410.71.

Motion: Mr. Raymond Second: Mr. Edmonds
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

C. **School Based Outreach Services – Letter of Agreement**

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Letter of Agreement for School Based Outreach Services between the Lycoming-Clinton Joinder Board and the Loyalsock Township School District.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel Second: Dr. Strickland
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

D. Student Assistance Program Services – Letter of Agreement

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Letter of Agreement for Student Assistance Program Services between the Lycoming-Clinton Joinder Board and the Loyalsock Township School District.

Motion: Dr. Strickland Second: Mr. Edmonds
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

E. PSBA Election of Officers

It is recommended the Board Secretary cast the necessary ballots for the following 2021 PSBA Officers on behalf of the Board of School Directors of the Loyalsock Township School District:

i. President-Elect (David Hein) **David Hein**

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker Second: Mr. Raymond
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

ii. Vice President (Sabrina Backer or Daniel O’Keefe) **Daniel O’Keefe**

Motion: Mr. Raymond Second: Mr. Wentzel
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

iii. Treasurer (Michael Gossert) **Michael Gossert**

Motion: Mr. Edmonds Second: Mr. Raymond
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

- iv. PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees (Michael Faccinetto/Marianne Neel)

Michael Faccinetto & Marianne Neel.

Motion: Mr. Raymond Second: Mr. Leidhecker
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicolello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

F. Addendum to Agreement with Act 93 Support Personnel

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Addendum #3 to the Agreement between Loyalsock Township School District and Loyalsock Township Act 93 Support Personnel.

Motion: Mr. Edmonds Second: Dr. Strickland
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicolello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

G. Initiate Process for Naming Track – George Bossert

It is recommended the Board authorize administration to initiate the process of naming the track after George Bossert.

Motion: Mr. Raymond Second: Mr. Leidhecker
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicolello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

H. Updated Spectator Guidelines

It is recommended the Board approve the updated spectator guidelines as presented and discussed in accordance with the Governor's revised recommendations.

Motion: Mr. Young Second: Mr. Leidhecker
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

I. Resignation of School Board President

It is recommended the Board accept the resignation from Paul R. Young, II, as School Board President.

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker Second: Mr. Raymond
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
 Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

J. Nomination of President

Nomination of Carolyn Strickland by John Raymond. Seconded by Michael Zicoello.

Closing of Nominations by Charles Edmonds. Seconded by Michael Zicoello.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

K. Election of President

It is recommended the Secretary cast the ballot electing Carolyn Strickland as President.
Closing of Election by Charles Edmonds. Seconded by Melvin Wentzel.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

L. Increase Substitute Teacher Daily Rate

It is recommended the Board increase the substitute teacher rate to \$105.00/day.

Motion: Mr. Zicoello Second: Mr. Wentzel

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Komarnicki, Leidhecker, Raymond, Strickland, Wentzel,
Young, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

10. Information/Discussion Items

A. Board Comments/Reports

B. Administrative Reports

11. Public Comments – None

12. Upcoming Board Meeting – November 11, 2020

13. Adjournment @ 8:22 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Zicoello

Second: Mr. Wentzel

M. Daniel Egly