

Loyalsock Township School District

Special Meeting of School Directors

May 5, 2021

6:09 p.m.

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

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order – President**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Administrative Report/Executive Session Purpose – None**
4. **Roll Call – Gerald L. McLaughlin, Superintendent**

MEMBER

x Charles W. Edmonds, Ed.D., (arrived 6:13 p.m.)
* Christina L. Kiessling
ab Valerie N. Komarnicki
x Robert D. Leidhecker
x Marissa F. Moore
n/a Vacant
Komarnicki; Absent; Personal *Remote

MEMBER

x Carolyn R. Strickland, Ph.D., President
x Melvin E. Wentzel, Vice President
x Michael J. Zicolello
ab *Eugene Yaw, Solicitor
x *Gerald L. McLaughlin, Superintendent
ab *M. Daniel Egly, Business Mgr./Bd.Secretary
*(Non-Voting Member)

OTHERS

* Eric Gee, Director of Technology
* Pat Crossley, *Williamsport Sun-Gazette*

5.
 - A. **Recognition of Guests or Scheduled Speakers/Public Comments** – None
 - B. **Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items** – None

6. Other

A. World Finals Odyssey of the Mind Competition

It is recommended the Board approve a request received from Michelle Bartley. Mrs. Bartley is requesting to take students (out-of-state) to the World Finals Odyssey of the Mind Competition in Orlando, Florida, from tentatively June 9, 2021 through June 14, 2021. It is recommended the Board approve a contribution of 1/3 of the total expenditures not to exceed \$5,000 for student participation in the World Finals Odyssey of the Mind Competition.

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

B. Resignation of School Board Director

It is recommended the Board accept the attached letter of resignation from John Raymond, Vice President, as a School Board Director effective April 8, 2021. *Mr. Raymond has served as a School Board Director of the Loyalsock Township School District since December 9, 2009.*

Motion: Mr. Wentzel Second: Mrs. Moore
Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Raymond, Wentzel, Zicoellello
No: None
Absent: Komarnicki
Result: Motion Carried

C. Election of Vice President

Nomination of Melvin Wentzel by Robert Leidhecker. Seconded by Marissa Moore.

Roll Call Vote

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

D. Interviews for School Board Director Vacancy

- **Stacey V. Patchett**
- **Hal C. Gee, Jr.**

The Board expressed their gratitude and appreciation of both qualified candidates.

E. Appointment of School Board Director

It is recommended the Board appoint Hal C. Gee, Jr., 1159 Avalon Parkway, Williamsport, PA 17701, as a School Board Director effective May 5, 2021. It should be noted that Mr. Gee is filling the vacancy as a result of Mr. Raymond's resignation.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Mrs. Moore

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Edmonds, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Raymond, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None

Absent: Komarnicki

Result: Motion Carried

7. Public Comments – None

8. Transportation Update – Mr. McLaughlin provided a brief update regarding transportation and scheduling for the 2021-2022 school year. The Board and Mr. McLaughlin discussed some concerns. There will be an update at the May 12, 2021 meeting.

9. Next School Board Meeting Date – May 12, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m. *The meeting will use a virtual format and be open to the public with limited seating.*

10. Adjournment @ 8:09 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Edmonds

Second: Mr. Zicolello

Gerald L. McLaughlin/M. Daniel Egly