

Loyalsock Township School District

Meeting of School Directors

November 8, 2023

7:03 p.m.

*Loyalsock Township School District
Secondary Campus
Multi-Purpose Room (D10/11)
2101 Loyalsock Drive
Williamsport, PA 17701*

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order – President**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Administrative Report/Executive Session Purpose – Mr. Christopher Kenyon, Solicitor**
6:05-:700 p.m. – Personnel; Contracts; Legal; Safety
4. **Roll Call – Mr. M. Daniel Egly, Board Secretary**

MEMBER

 x David Bjorkman
 x Charles W. Edmonds, Ed.D., Treasurer
 x Lynn Frey
 x Hal C. Gee, Jr., President
 x Christina L. Kiessling
 x Robert D. Leidhecker

MEMBER

 x Marissa F. Moore
 x Melvin E. Wentzel, Vice President
 x Michael J. Zicoello
 x *Christopher Kenyon, Solicitor
 x *Gerald L. McLaughlin, Superintendent
 x *M. Daniel Egly, Business Mgr./Bd.Secretary
 *(Non-Voting Member)

OTHERS

 x Ashley Sekel, High School Principal
 x Bradley Grey, High School Dean of Students
 x Rachelle Ackerman, Middle School Principal
 x Dayne Waller, Middle School Assistant Principal
 x Marc Walter, Elementary Principal
 x Elizabeth Myers, Elementary Assistant Principal
 x Suzanne Foresman, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction
 x Eric Gee, Director of Technology
 x Lisa Fisher, Supervisor of Special Education
 Williamsport Sun-Gazette

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

B. Data Presentation/PVAAS

C. Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items

6. Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes

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

- October 11, 2023 – School Board
- October 19, 2023 – Special Meeting

Motion: Mrs. Moore

Second: Mrs. Kiessling

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

7. Finance

A. Approval of Bills – August 2023

It is recommended the Board approve expenditures from August 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023, in the amount of \$1,257,088.36.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Mrs. Moore

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

B. Treasurer's Report – August 2023

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2023.

Motion: Mrs. Moore

Second: Mr. Leidhecker

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

C. Authorization to Transfer Funds for Future Technology Purchases

It is recommended the Board authorize the transfer of funds from the general fund unassigned fund balance to the general fund assigned fund balance for future technology purchases in the amount of \$500,000.00.

Motion: Dr. Edmonds Second: Mr. Bjorkman
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

8. Personnel

A. LTEA Personnel

It is recommended that the Board appoint the following individuals (pending documentation):

- Eric Holz as a Temporary Professional Employee assigned as a health and physical education teacher effective release of his current employer. Mr. Holz will receive a salary based on Step 2-B of the Teacher Salary Schedule.
- Maranda Rhodes as a Temporary Professional Employee assigned as a health and physical education teacher effective release of her current employer. Ms. Rhodes will receive a salary based on Step 2-B of the Teacher Salary Schedule.

Motion: Mrs. Moore Second: Dr. Edmonds
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

B. Food Service Employees

It is recommended that the Board appoint the following individuals (pending documentation):

- Zoey Davis as a substitute food service employee. Ms. Davis will receive an hourly rate of \$12.00.
- Cera McQuillen as a part-time food service employee. Ms. McQuillen will receive an hourly rate of \$12.50.

Motion: Mrs. Moore Second: Mr. Wentzel
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

C. School Bus Driver

It is recommended that the Board appoint Alan Huff as a school bus driver pending documentation.

Motion: Mrs. Kiessling Second: Mr. Wentzel
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

D. Event Staff

It is recommended that the Board appoint Julie Cohick and Jeff LaCoe as event staff pending documentation.

Motion: Mrs. Moore Second: Mrs. Kiessling
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

E. Color Guard Instructor

It is recommended that the Board appoint Larry Trimble as a Color Guard Instructor for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker Second: Mrs. Moore
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

F. Strength & Conditioning Coach

It is recommended that the Board appoint Kenneth Hampe as a part-time strength & conditioning coach (approximately 230 days) effective November 28, 2023. Mr. Hampe will receive a prorated salary of \$30,000.00 for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel Second: Mrs. Kiessling
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

G. Appointment of Winter Athletic Personnel

It is recommended the Board appoint the attached list of winter athletic personnel (pending documentation) for the 2023-2024 sports season.

Motion: Dr. Edmonds Second: Mrs. Moore
Yes: Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel
No: Bjorkman, Zicoello
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

H. School Resource/Police Officer

It is recommended the Board appoint Eric Wolfgang as a School Resource/Police Officer and to grant Eric Wolfgang 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. Wentzel Second: Mrs. Kiessling
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

I. Request for Uncompensated Leave

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

- Victoria Campman, School Counselor (tentatively November 28, 2023 through March 28, 2024)

Motion: Mrs. Frey Second: Mrs. Kiessling
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

J. Retirements/Resignations

The Board acknowledges notice of the following retirements/resignations:

- Brea Heaps; Resignation; Part-Time Paraprofessional; effective October 27, 2023
- Casey Waller; Retirement; Health/Physical Education Teacher; effective December 21, 2023

- Motion: Mrs. Moore Second: Dr. Edmonds
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

C. Purchase of Work Truck

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase of a 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD Truck from Frederick Chevrolet, 1505 Quentin Road, Lebanon, PA 17042, at a cost of \$55,078.00. (COSTARS 025-E22-386) *Funds for the purchase will come from the Capital Projects Fund.*

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker Second: Mr. Wentzel
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Kiessling, Leidhecker, Moore, Wentzel, Zicoello
No: None
Absent: None
Result: Motion Carried

10. Information/Discussion Items

A. Board Comments/Reports

- Community Wide Safety Committee – Mr. Bjorkman
- Recreation Board – Mr. Leidhecker & Mr. Zicoello
- Wellness Committee – Mrs. Kiessling & Mrs. Moore
- Act 48 Committee – Mr. Wentzel
- LycoCTC – Mrs. Frey
- The Lancer Foundation – Dr. Edmonds

B. Administrative Reports/Discussion

11. Public Comments

12. Upcoming Board Meeting – December 6, 2023

13. Adjournment @ 7:59 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel
Second: Dr. Edmonds

M. Daniel Egly