

# ***Loyalsock Township School District***

## **Meeting of School Directors**

*December 6, 2023*

*7:15 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. **Roll Call – Mr. M. Daniel Egly, Board Secretary**

### **MEMBER**

x David Bjorkman  
x Charles W. Edmonds, Ed.D., Treasurer  
x Lynn Frey, Vice President  
x Hal C. Gee, Jr., President  
ab Robert D. Leidhecker  
x JacLynne Lindsay  
Absent – Leidhecker, Personal

### **MEMBER**

x Tyler B. Richardson  
x Melvin E. Wentzel  
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*

3.
  - A. **Recognition of Guests or Scheduled Speakers/Public Comments**
    - Recognition – Girls' Tennis
    - Fall Athletics Update
  - B. **Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items**

## 4. Minutes

### A. Approval of Minutes

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

- November 8, 2023 – School Board

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

## 5. Finance

### A. Approval of Bills – September 2023

It is recommended the Board approve expenditures from September 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023, in the amount of \$2,057,085.39.

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

## B. Treasurer's Report – September 2023

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

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

### C. Student Activities Fund Quarterly Report

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Student Activities Fund Quarterly Report for the period ended September 2023.

Motion: Mr. Zicoellelo                      Second: Mr. Wentzel  
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoellelo  
No: None  
Absent: Leidhecker  
Result: Motion Carried

## 6. Personnel

### A. LTESPA Personnel

It is recommended that the Board approve the following transfer:

- Heidi Tredinnick; transfer from part-time to full-time (183 days) paraprofessional effective December 11, 2023.

Motion: Mr. Zicoellelo                      Second: Mrs. Frey  
Yes:     Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoellelo  
No:     None  
Absent: Leidhecker  
Result: Motion Carried

### **B. Appointment of Winter Athletic Personnel – Revised**

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

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

### C. Request for Uncompensated Leave

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

- Jaime Smith, Paraprofessional (tentatively January 22 through May 8, 2024)

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

#### D. Food Service Personnel

It is recommended that the Board terminate Jennifer Vogel as a food service employee effective November 17, 2023.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel                      Second: Mr. Zicoellelo  
Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoellelo  
No: None  
Absent: Leidhecker  
Result: Motion Carried

### E. Retirements/Resignations

The Board acknowledges notice of the following retirements/resignations:

- Renee Wheeland; Resignation; School Bus Driver; effective November 9, 2023
- Steve Bowman; Resignation; Traffic Control; effective November 1, 2023

## 7. Other

### A. Nittany Learning Services Agreement

It is recommended the Board approve the attached proposal with Nittany Learning Services, PO Box 217, Bellefonte, PA 16823, to provide an elementary intervention specialist effective January 2, 2024 through the 2025-2026 school year.

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

**B. Facility Improvement Projects (DES-Cafeteria Expansion, Addition of Classrooms; LTHS/LTMS Campus-Gymnasium Expansion, Cafeteria Expansion, Addition of Classrooms)**

**1. LTMS/LTMS Campus-Gymnasium Expansion, Cafeteria Expansion, Addition of Classrooms**

**i. Authorization of Change Order(s)**

It is recommended the Board approve the following Change Orders:

- Change Order #65 (GC-14/ECI) – Provide Terrazzo patch, process remainder of PCO, provide stepped footing, reduce sound panels, remove dry storage and back areas for flooring, additional water line for sprinkler system, install ADA guardrail, addition of concession; laydown area and unused allowances at a credit of \$26,085.00.
- Change Order #66 (Mechanical-8/Silvertip) –Unused allowances at a credit of \$40,728.07

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

**C. Act 1 - Resolution**

It is recommended the Board adopt the attached Resolution electing not to increase its tax rate above the index for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion: Dr. Edmonds

Second: Mr. Wentzel

**ROLL CALL**

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None

Absent: Leidhecker

Result: Motion Carried

**8. Information/Discussion Items**

**A. Board Comments/Reports**

- Community Wide Safety Committee – Mr. Bjorkman
- Recreation Board – Mr. Leidhecker & Mr. Zicolello
- Wellness Committee – TBD
- IU 17 – TBD
- Act 48 Committee – Mr. Wentzel
- LycoCTC – Mrs. Frey
- The Lancer Foundation – Dr. Edmonds
- Other
  - Richardson-Installation of Lights off of Four Mile Drive & Live Session of Board meetings for more interaction
  - Bjorkman-LTMS Demerit System

**B. Administrative Reports/Discussion**

**9. Public Comments**

- Larry Allison – Softball Field & Demerit System

**10. Upcoming Board Meeting – January 10, 2024**

**11. Adjournment @ 7:52 p.m.**

Motion: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Mrs. Lindsay

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M. Daniel Egly