

# ***Loyalsock Township School District***

## ***Meeting of School Directors***

***April 3, 2024***

***7:01 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**  
6-6:57 p.m. Student Discipline; Contracts, Personnel
- 4. 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  
  x   Robert D. Leidhecker  
  x   JacLynne Lindsay

### **MEMBER**

  x   Tyler B. Richardson  
  x   Melvin E. Wentzel  
  x   Michael J. Zicolello  
  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   Eric Gee, Director of Technology  
  x   Lisa Fisher, Supervisor of Special Education  
  x   Matthew Courter, *Williamsport Sun-Gazette*

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

**B. Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items – None**

**6. Minutes**

**A. Approval of Minutes**

It is recommended (Board Secretary) the Board approve the Minutes of the following meetings:

- March 6, 2024 – School Board
- March 20, 2024 – Work Session

Motion: Mrs. Frey

Second: Mr. Zicolello

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

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**7. Finance**

**A. Approval of Bills – January 2024**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve expenditures from January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024, in the amount of \$1,313,238.91.

Motion: Dr. Edmonds

Second: Mr. Wentzel

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

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**B. Treasurer's Report – January 2024**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2024.

Motion: Mrs. Frey

Second: Mr. Bjorkman

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

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**C. Approval of Bills – February 2024**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve expenditures from February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024, in the amount of \$1,066,399.21.

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

**D. Treasurer's Report – February 2024**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2024.

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

**E. 2024-2025 Tentative Budget**

**Budget Presentation – Attached**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board adopt the 2024-2025 tentative budget with revenues and expenditures of \$28,278,855 with taxes as follows:

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|----------------------|--|
| • Real Estate        | 15.35 mills (2023/2024-15.35 mills)                                    |
| • Realty Transfer    | 1%   |
| • Earned Income      | 1.65% (1.15% to Loyalsock Twp. School District; .50 to Loyalsock Twp.) |
| • Local Services Tax | \$5/per individual employed within Loyalsock Township                  |
| • Business Privilege | 1 mill/Wholesale Gross Sales   |
| • Business Privilege | 1.5 mills/Retail, Service or Rental Gross                              |

Motion: Dr. Edmonds                      Second: Mr. Wentzel

**ROLL CALL**

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

Motion: Mr. Richardson                      Second: Mr. Bjorkman  
*Mr. Wentzel provided the attached statement.*  
 Yes:      Bjorkman, Richardson, Zicolello  
 No:      Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Wentzel  
 Absent: None  
 Result: Motion Failed

10. Other

A. **Purchase of Technology Software/Hardware**

It is recommended (Director of Technology) the Board authorize the purchase of technology software/hardware, Juniper Network Switches and APC Uninterruptible Power supplies (see attached quote) from Applied Technology Services, 11615 Crossroads Circle, Suite J, Middle River, MD 21220, at a District cost of \$75,996.40. The District receives a 60% erate reimbursement with a total equipment cost of \$189,991.00. *Funds for this purchase will come from the general assigned fund balance fund (technology).*

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

B. **CSIU – Subscription of Hosted Software Services**

It is recommended (Business Manager/Director of Technology) the Board approve the attached rates for computer services (Exhibits 1a-1e and 2) with the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit for the 2024-2025 school year.

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

C. **Award School Bus Bids – 2025 81-Passenger School Bus (2)**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board award the 2025 81-passenger two school bus bid (VINS: 4UZABRFC6SCUM9538 & 4UZABRFC8SCUM9539) at a total cost of \$239,071.80, to Rohrer Bus Sales, 1515 State Road, PO Box 100, Duncannon, PA 17020. *(Sourcewell Account #102623-TBB) Funds for the purchase will come from the Capital Projects Fund.*

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

#### **D. Purchase of Signs**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached proposal for the purchase of signs from WJ Strickler Signs, Inc., 3999 Carlisle St, New Oxford, PA 17350, (COSTARS # 032-E22-055), in the amount of \$19,450.00. *Funds for this project will come from the Capital Projects Fund.*

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay

Second: Mrs. Frey

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

### **E. Adoption of Resolution – Student #29079**

It is recommended the Board adopt the attached Resolution relating to Student #29079.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Mr. Zicoello

## ROLL CALL

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No:      None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

### **F. Adoption of Resolution – Student #28122**

It is recommended the Board adopt the attached Resolution relating to Student #28122.

Motion: Mrs. Frey

Second: Mrs. Lindsay

## ROLL CALL

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

### G. Adoption of Resolution – Student #24264

It is recommended the Board adopt the attached Resolution relating to Student #24264.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Mrs. Lindsay

## ROLL CALL

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No:      None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**H. Adoption of Resolution – Student #27139**

It is recommended the Board adopt the attached Resolution relating to Student #27139.

Motion: Mr. Bjorkman                      Second: Dr. Edmonds

**ROLL CALL**

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**I. Addendum to LTEA Agreement**

It is recommended (Superintendent) the Board approve the attached Addendum #1 to the Agreement between Loyalsock Township School District and Loyalsock Township Education Association.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay                      Second: Mr. Bjorkman

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**J. Addendum to LTESPA Agreement**

It is recommended (Superintendent) the Board approve the attached Addendum #2 to the Agreement between Loyalsock Township School District and Loyalsock Township Education Support Professionals Association.

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker                      Second: Mrs. Lindsay

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**K. Name Access Road**

It is recommended (Secondary Administration) the Board approve to name the access road off of Four Mile Drive as Lancer Drive. *It is noted that secondary staff & students voted to name the access road.*

Motion: Mr. Bjorkman                      Second: Dr. Edmonds

Yes: Bjorkman, Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Richardson, Wentzel, Zicoello

No: None

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

**11. Information/Discussion Items**

**A. Board Comments/Reports**

- Community Wide Safety Committee – Mr. Bjorkman
- Recreation Board – Mr. Leidhecker & Mr. Zicolello
- Wellness Committee – Mr. Bjorkman
- IU 17 – Mr. Zicolello
- Act 48 Committee – Mr. Wentzel
- LycoCTC – Mrs. Frey
- The Lancer Foundation – Dr. Edmonds

**B. Administrative Reports/Discussion**

*Mr. Bjorkman provided the attached statement regarding safety and the establishment of a district-level Citizen Advisory Committee to be included as a topic at a future Work Session of the Board.*

**12. Public Comments – None**

**13. Upcoming Board Meeting – May 8, 2024 (Proposed Final Budget)**

**14. Adjournment @ 8:15 p.m.**

Motion: Mrs. Frey  
Second: Mr. Zicolello

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M. Daniel Egly