

# ***Loyalsock Township School District***

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

***July 17, 2024***

***7:00 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**  
*06/26/2024 6:00-7:35 p.m., 1605 Four Mile Drive, Williamsport, PA; Board Conference Room (Members present Frey, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Wentzel) Personnel  
07/17/2024 6:00-7:00 p.m. Personnel, Contracts, Safety (Leidhecker Not Present); 8:10-8:40 p.m. – Personnel/  
Superintendent's Evaluation (Leidhecker/McLaughlin Not Present)*
- 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  
**ab** Robert D. Leidhecker  
**x** JacLynne Lindsay  
Absent-Leidhecker, Personal

### **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** Rachelle Ackerman, Middle School Principal  
**ab** Dayne Waller, Middle School Assistant Principal  
**x** Marc Walter, Elementary Principal  
**x** Elizabeth Myers, Elementary Assistant Principal  
**x** Eric Gee, Director of Technology  
**ab** Lisa Fisher, Supervisor of Special Education  
**x** Teri Key, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction  
**x** Matthew Courter, *Williamsport Sun-Gazette*

- 5. A. Recognition of Guests or Scheduled Speakers/Public Comments – None**

**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 meeting:

- June 12, 2024 – School Board

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

**7. Finance**

**A. Approval of Bills – May 2024**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve expenditures from May 1, 2024 through May 31, 2024, in the amount of \$1,228,594.27.

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

**B. Treasurer's Report – May 2024**

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

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

**8. School/District Programs and Operations**

**A. 2023-2024 School Calendar Final/Revised**

It is recommended (Superintendent) the Board approve the attached Final/Revised 2023-2024 school calendar.

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

**B. River Rock (Williamsport Site) – Educational Services**

It is recommended (Superintendent) the Board approve the attached agreement with River Rock Academy, LLC, 1220 Northway Road, Williamsport, PA 17701, for educational services during the 2024-2025 school year.

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

**9. Personnel**

**A. Act 93 – Administrative Personnel**

It is recommended (Superintendent) that the Board approve Richard Cummings as an Assistant High School Principal, pending documentation, effective date tentatively August 1, 2024. Mr. Cummings will receive a pro-rated salary of \$83,160.00 for the 2024-2025 school year.

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

### B. LTEA Personnel

It is recommended (Superintendent/Building Principal) that the Board appoint the following individuals, pending documentation/certification:

- Jacob Golbitz as a Professional Employee assigned as a health/physical education teacher effective August 20, 2024. Mr. Golbitz will receive a salary based on Step 10-B of the Teacher Salary Schedule.
- Nicole Duarte-Turi as a Professional Employee assigned as a secondary school counselor effective August 20, 2024. Ms. Duarte-Turi will receive a salary based on Step 11-M of the Teacher Salary Schedule.
- Derrick Hicks as a Professional Employee assigned as a mathematics teacher effective August 20, 2024. Mr. Hicks will receive a salary based on Step 12-M of the Teacher Salary Schedule.

*It is noted that Sara Conrad rescinded her acceptance of employment as an elementary teacher.*

Motion: Mrs. Frey

Second: Mr. Bjorkman

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

No:      None

Absent: Leidhecker

Result: Motion Carried

### C. Appointment of Fall Athletic Personnel

It is recommended (Athletic Director) the Board approve the attached list of fall athletic personnel (pending documentation) for the 2024-2025 sports season.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay

Second: Mr. Wentzel

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

No: Richardson

Absent: Leidhecker

Result: Motion Carried

#### **D. Appointment of Food Service Personnel**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board appoint Tabetha Springman as a part-time food service employee effective July 11, 2024. Ms. Springman will receive an hourly rate of \$12.50.

Motion: Mrs. Frey

Second: Mrs. Lindsay

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

No: None

Absent: Leidhecker

Result: Motion Carried

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

#### **D. Purchase of Elementary School Sign**

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached proposal for the purchase of an elementary school sign from WJ Strickler Signs, Inc., 3999 Carlisle St, New Oxford, PA 17350 (COSTARS # 032-E22-055), in the amount of \$16,060.00. *Funds for this project will come from the Capital Projects Fund.*

Motion: Mrs. Frey                                 Second: Mrs. Lindsay  
Yes: Edmonds, Frey, Gee, Lindsay, Wentzel  
No: Bjorkman, Richardson, Zicoello  
Absent: Leidhecker  
Result: Motion Carried

**E. Clarity Prep, Inc. – Youth Mentoring Services**

It is recommended (Athletic Director/Superintendent) the Board approve to contract with Clarity Prep, Inc., 177 Exeter Lane, Bellefonte, PA 16823, for youth mentoring services, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00, for the 2024-2025 school year. *Funds for this project will come from the General Fund.*

President Gee announced that this item is tabled.

## 11. Information/Discussion Items

### A. Board Comments/Reports

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

## B. Administrative Reports/Discussion

## 12. Public Comments & Responses to Public Comments at Previous Meeting

- Martin Forsburg (see attached email) – MS concerns – supplies, drawstring bags, iPads vs. Writing

### 13. Upcoming Board Meeting – August 7, 2024

**14. Adjournment @ 7:45 p.m.**

Motion: Dr. Edmonds  
Second: Mr. Wentzel

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M. Daniel Egly