

Loyalsock Township School District

Meeting of School Directors

June 11, 2025

7:02 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**
6:40-7:00 p.m. Safe School & Security Report presented by School Safety & Security Coordinator; In accordance with Section 1309(b) of the PA Public School Code and Act 44 of 2018, the report included the district's current safety and security practices and identified strategies to improve school safety and security. Personnel
- 4. Roll Call – Mr. M. Daniel Egly, Board Secretary**

MEMBER

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

MEMBER

x David W. Pfleegor, II
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
x *Brooke Beiter, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent
*(Non-Voting Member)

OTHERS

x Stephen Hafele, High School Principal
x Richard Cummings, High School Assistant Principal
x Rachelle Ackerman, Middle School Principal
x Dayne Waller, Middle School Assistant Principal
ab Marc Walter, Elementary Principal
ab Megan Renninger, Elementary Assistant Principal
x Eric Gee, Director of Technology
ab Lisa Fisher, Supervisor of Special Education
x Teri Key, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction

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

B. Core Knowledge Language Arts Presentation – Dr. Teri Key

C. 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:

- May 7, 2025 – School Board
- May 21, 2025 – Work Session

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

7. Finance

A. Approval of Bills – April 2025

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve expenditures from April 1, 2025 through April 30, 2025, in the amount of \$3,293,286.01.

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

B. Treasurer's Report – April 2025

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2025.

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

C. 2025-2026 Final Budget

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board adopt the 2025-2026 final budget with revenues and expenditures of \$30,109,367 with taxes as follows:

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| • Real Estate | 15.35 mills (2024/2025-15.35 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: Mr. Wentzel

Second: Mrs. Lindsay

ROLL CALL

Yes: Bjorkman, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None

Absent: Edmonds, Frey

Result: Motion Carried

D. 2025-2026 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board adopt the attached Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution for the 2025-2026 school year effective July 1, 2025.

Motion: Mr. Leidhecker

Second: Mr. Pfleegor

ROLL CALL

Yes: Bjorkman, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None

Absent: Edmonds, Frey

Result: Motion Carried

E. Agreement with Larson, Kellett & Associates to Perform Auditing Services

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board authorize a contract with Larson, Kellett & Associates, P.C., 40 Choate Circle, Montoursville, PA 17754, to perform auditing services for Loyalsock Township School District for the years ended June 30, 2025, through June 30, 2027, pursuant to the terms of the attached agreement.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay

Second: Mr. Leidhecker

Yes: Bjorkman, Gee, Leidhecker, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None

Absent: Edmonds, Frey

Result: Motion Carried

8. School/District Programs and Operations

A. Core Knowledge Language Arts – Pilot Program

It is recommended (Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction) the Board approve the Amplify Core Knowledge Language Arts pilot program for the 2025-2026 school year at a cost not to exceed ~~\$28,240.00~~ \$64,718.08.

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

B. Textbook/Resource Adoption

It is recommended (Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction) the Board adopt the attached list of textbooks/resources for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

C. Lackawanna College Pre-College Agreement

It is recommended (Superintendent) the Board approve the attached Pre-College Agreement with Lackawanna College for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

D. Comprehensive Testing/Assessment Program for the 2025-2026 School Year

It is recommended (Assistant Superintendent/Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction) the Board approve the attached list of tests/assessments as part of the district's Comprehensive Testing/Assessment Program for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

9. Personnel

A. LTEA Personnel

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

- Adin Hinojosa as a Temporary Professional Employee assigned as a music teacher effective August 18, 2025. Mr. Hinojosa will receive a salary based on Step 1-B of the Teacher Salary Schedule.
- Ashley Russo as a Temporary Professional Employee assigned as a Special Education teacher effective August 18, 2025. Ms. Russo will receive a salary based on Step 6-M of the Teacher Salary Schedule.

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

B. Summer Custodial/Maintenance Workers – Revised

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached (revised) list of custodial/maintenance employees for the summer of 2025. Summer custodial/maintenance employees will receive an hourly rate of \$14.00.

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

C. Transportation & Facilities Supervisor – Job Description

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board combine the positions of Building & Grounds Supervisor and Transportation Supervisor into the position of Transportation & Facilities Supervisor, and approve the attached job description, effective July 1, 2025.

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

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

E. BLaST IU 17 – Technology Services Agreement

It is recommended (Technology Director) the Board approve the attached 2025-2026 BLaST Intermediate Unit 17 Technology Services Agreement.

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

F. BLaST IU 17 – Division of Educational Planning Contract

It is recommended (Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction) the Board approve the attached contract with BLaST Intermediate Unit 17 Division of Educational Planning Contract for services from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028.

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

G. Authorization to File Subsidies, Federal Programs Applications/Grant Applications

It is recommended (Assistant Superintendent) the Board authorize administration to file the attached list of Subsidies, Federal Programs Applications and Grant Applications for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

H. CSIU – Subscription of Hosted Software Services

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached rates for computer services with the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

L. Student Teacher Placements

It is recommended (Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction) the Board authorize the Superintendent to enter into affiliation agreements with the following higher education institutions for student teacher/intern/practicum placements:

- Eastern University
- Eastern University-School of Nursing (School Nurse Practicum)

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

11. Information/Discussion Items

A. Board Comments/Reports

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

B. Administrative Reports/Discussion

- **Policy Review** – It is noted that administration has reviewed the anti-bullying policy as well as policies regarding homeless students, Title I parent involvement, and Title IX.

12. Public Comments & Responses to Public Comments at Previous Meeting – None

13. Upcoming Board Meeting – July 9, 2025

14. Adjournment @ 8:00 p.m.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay
Second: Mr. Pfleegor

M. Daniel Egly