# Loyalsock Township School District

# **Meeting of School Directors**

October 1, 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
  - 9/25/2025 5:30-6:45 p.m.; District Service Center, 1605 Four Mile Drive, Williamsport, PA 17701;
     Board & Solicitor; Pfleegor Absent; proposed Superintendent/Contract
  - 10/01/2025 6:00-7:00 p.m.; Personnel; Contracts; Legal
- 4. Roll Call Mr. M. Daniel Egly, Board Secretary

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
<u>x</u> David Bjorkman	<u>x</u> David W. Pfleegor, II
x Lynn Frey, Vice President	x Melvin E. Wentzel
x Hal C. Gee, Jr., President	x Michael J. Zicolello
x Benjamin Hepburn	x *Christopher Kenyon, Solicitor
ab Robert D. Leidhecker	x *Brooke Beiter, Ph.D., Superintendent
x JacLynne Lindsay, Treasurer	x *M. Daniel Egly, Business Mgr./Bd.Secretary
Absent-Leidhecker/Personal	*(Non-Voting Member)
OTHERS	

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

5.

# A. Recognition of Guests or Scheduled Speakers/Public Comments

Jazz Band Ensemble (Auditorium)

### **B.** Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items

#### 6. Minutes

#### A. Approval of Minutes

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

September 3, 2025 – School Board

Motion: Mr. Bjorkman Second: Mr. Pfleegor

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

### 7. School/District Programs and Operations

President Hal Gee announced that Item 7.A. was removed from the Agenda.

### A. Educational Trip Abroad Experience - Costa Rica & Panama

It is recommended (Administration) the Board approve an educational trip to Costa Rica & Panama (tentatively Summer 2027) as outlined in the attached proposal, subject to change depending on health and safety concerns. There is no cost to the District for this request. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for this trip.

### B. Agreement with Nittany Learning Services (AEDY)

It is recommended (Administration) the Board approve the attached agreement with Nittany Learning Services, 247 Pennsylvania Avenue, Sunbury, PA 17801, for educational services during the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel Second: Mrs. Lindsay

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried Page 3
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#### 8. Personnel

### A. Retirement – Superintendent of Schools

It is recommended that the Board accept the retirement of Gerald McLaughlin as the Superintendent of Schools effective September 30, 2025. Mr. McLaughlin has served the District for approximately 25 years.

Mr. Wentzel read the attached statement.

Motion: Mrs. Frey Second: Mrs. Lindsay

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

### B. <u>Appointment – Superintendent of Schools</u>

It is recommended the Board appoint Dr. Brooke Beiter as Superintendent of Schools pursuant to the terms of the attached agreement effective October 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029.

Mr. Wentzel read the attached statement.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay Second: Mrs. Frey Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Zicolello

No: Hepburn, Wentzel

Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

## C. Abolish Position – Assistant Superintendent of Schools

It is recommended the Board abolish the position of Assistant Superintendent of Schools contingent upon the appointment of Dr. Brooke Beiter as Superintendent of Schools.

Motion: Mr. Pfleegor Second: Mrs. Lindsay

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

#### **D.** Food Service Personnel

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the transfer of Susanne Covert as a substitute to a part-time food service employee effective September 29, 2025. Ms. Covert will receive an hourly rate of \$15.75.

Motion: Mr. Pfleegor Second: Mr. Bjorkman

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

### E. Memorandum of Understanding – Head Custodian

It is recommended (Business Manager) the Board approve the attached Memorandum of Understanding regarding the position of head custodian.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay Second: Mr. Pfleegor

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

### F. Winter Athletic Personnel

It is recommended (Athletic Director) the Board approve the attached list of winter athletic personnel (pending documentation) for the 2025-2026 sports season.

Motion: Mr. Wentzel Second: Mr. Pfleegor

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

#### G. Retirements/Resignations

The Board acknowledges notice of the following resignations/retirements:

- Matthew Little; Network Specialist; Resignation effective September 12, 2025
- Noah Green; Staff Accountant; Resignation effective September 7, 2025
- Eric Wolfgang; School Police Officer; Resignation effective September 4, 2025
- Connie Bickel; Food Service Employee; Resignation effective October 3, 2025
- Andrew Magyar; Custodial Employee; Retirement effective October 24, 2025

#### 9. Other

# A. Consulting Services Agreement

It is recommended the Board approve the attached agreement for consulting services with Gerald McLaughlin.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay Second: Mr. Pfleegor

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried Mr. Zicolello made an Omnibus Motion for Item 9B. Seconded by Mrs. Lindsay.

### B. <u>PSBA Election of Officers</u>

It is recommended the Board Secretary cast the necessary ballots for the following 2026 PSBA Officers on behalf of the Board of School Directors of the Loyalsock Township School District:

- i. President-Elect-Holly Arnold
- ii. Vice President-Matt Vannoy
- iii. 2026-2027 C-1 Sectional Advisor-Duane Naugle
- iv. 2026-2028 Central Zone Representative-Julie Preston
- v. PSBA Insurance Trustees-Kathy Swope & Roberta Marcus

Yes: Bjorkman, Frey, Gee, Hepburn, Lindsay, Pfleegor, Wentzel, Zicolello

No: None Absent: Leidhecker Result: Motion Carried

#### 10. Information/Discussion Items

#### A. **Board Comments/Reports**

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

#### B. Administrative Reports/Discussion

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

- Anna Thompson Donor Sign on School Property
- 12. Upcoming Board Meeting November 5, 2025
- 13. Adjournment @ 7:59 p.m.

Motion: Mrs. Lindsay Second: Mr. Pfleegor