

Lackawanna Trail School District  
School Board Meeting Minutes  
September 11, 2023

The Lackawanna Trail School District met in person and via Zoom for a scheduled meeting on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 7:30 pm, public notice thereof having been given in accordance with applicable law.

An Executive Session was held prior to the meeting from 6:53 pm to 7:10 pm. The following items were discussed: Solicitor's Report, Grievance and Personnel. All board members were present for the executive session with the exception of Mark Carpenter and Robert Minick.

President Joe Ross called the meeting to order and directed the secretary to call the roll. Board Members present: Adrian Bianchi, Heather Clark, Brendan Dwyer, Jaclyn Litwin, Dr. Michael Mould, Joseph Ross and Tracy Wescott. Mark Carpenter and Robert Minick were absent.

Administrators present: Mr. Glynn, Mr. Kearney, Mrs. Kuchak, Dr. Murphy, Mr. Rakauskas, Mr. Schofield and Ms. Talarico. Solicitor David Conn was present.

There was an opportunity for public participation provided. The following persons shared public comment:

Joseph Strauch: Homeless students related to McKinney-Vento Act regulations

Lorie Tweed: Adopt an extreme heat policy, invest in better HVAC.

#### Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Wescott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dwyer, that the minutes from the August 14, 2023 School Board Meeting and September 5, 2023 Work Session be approved as submitted. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

#### Bill Listing

Mrs. Wescott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mould, that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

#### Treasurer's Report

Dr. Mould made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Litwin, that the board approve the August Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

#### Naming Rights

Mr. Dwyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bianchi, that the board approve the contract with Cummings Insurance for a one year naming rights agreement for the elementary playground for a donation of \$2,000. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Information Technology Support Agreement

Mr. Dwyer made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Clark, that the board approve the agreement with ISS Solutions, Inc, d/b/a Paradigm Technology Consulting for information technology support in the amount of \$8,000. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

E-Rate Consultant

Mr. Dwyer made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Litwin, that the board approve the Van Strien Consulting Proposal of Services for the E-Rate program in the 2024-2025 funding year at a rate of \$3,000 for Category One requests and \$2,000 plus 2% of the committed amount per funding request for Category Two requests be approved. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Special Olympics Unified Sports MOU

Mrs. Clark made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bianchi, that the board approve the Unified Champion Schools Memorandum of Understanding between the Special Olympics of Pennsylvania and the Lackawanna Trail Jr/Sr High School for the 2023-2024 school year. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

LTESPA Grievance 2023-01

Mrs. Litwin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mould, that the board deny LTESPA grievance 2023-01. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Policies for First Reading

Mr. Dwyer made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wescott, that the board approve the first reading of the following policies: 251 Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care and Other Educational Instability, 216.1 Supplemental Discipline Records, 006 Meetings. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Field Trip

Mrs. Clark made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Litwin, that the board approve the field hockey field trip to Villanova, PA for a tournament on Saturday, September 23 and Sunday, September 24, 2023 at a cost to the district of gas. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Bus Driver

Mr. Dwyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bianchi, that the board retroactively approve Oscar James as a bus driver with Nichols Bus, Inc. for the 2023-2024 school year as of August 21, 2023. All clearances are on file. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Paraprofessional Resignation

Mrs. Litwin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Clark, that the board acknowledge the resignation of Jennifer Wert from her paraprofessional position. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Extracurricular Boys' Basketball Volunteer

Mrs. Wescott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dwyer, that the board approve Ty Vokes as a volunteer with the Boys' Basketball Team for the 2023-2024 school year. All clearances on file. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Mr. Ross announced that there would be an executive session prior to the next meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrian Bianchi, Secretary Board of Education