

Lackawanna Trail School District  
Work Session Meeting Minutes  
January 8, 2024

The Lackawanna Trail School District met in their Work Session Meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024 at 7:31 pm via a Zoom meeting and in the PS Bank Auditorium, public notice thereof having been given in accordance with applicable law.

There was an Executive Session held on January 4, 2024. The Executive Session was held from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm to discuss confidentiality, student discipline and board protocol. There was an Executive Session prior to the Work Session meeting. The Executive Session was held from 6:00 pm to 6:59 pm to discuss student discipline, grievance, Act 93 contract proposal, personnel, confidentiality and the solicitor's report. All board members were present for both executive sessions.

President Joseph Ross called the meeting to order and directed the Secretary to call the roll. Board members present: Adrian Bianchi, Heather Clark, Brendan Dwyer, Candace Haft, Eric Johnson, Jaclyn Litwin, Dr. Michael Mould, Joseph Ross and Tracy Wescott.

Administrators present: Brian Kearney, Shannon Kuchak, Mark Murphy, Matthew Rakauskas and Tom Schofield. Amie Talarico and Keith Glynn were absent. Solicitor David Conn was present.

A public presentation of the Five Year Academic Overview was provided by the administration led by Shannon Kuchak.

Time was allowed for public comment. The public commented on the following topics:

Joseph Strauch: Meeting minutes, freezer sale to Gins and Act 93 contract.

Kevin Mulhern: Emails to Candace Haft.

Christy Clarke: Question about students on the steering committee.

Senior class representatives provided information on a proposed field trip.

The following agenda items were presented and discussed:

1. Bill Listing  
Move that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.
2. Treasurer's Report  
Move that the board approve the November and December Treasurer's Reports as submitted.
3. Reimbursement Resolution  
Move that the board approve the reimbursement resolution related to tax-exempt debt issuance.

4. Freezers Sale  
Move that the board approve the sale of two high school freezers to Gin's Tavern at a cost of \$50 each.
5. Act 93 Contract  
Move that the board approve the Act 93 Administrative contract for July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.
6. Health & Safety Plan  
Move that the board approve the 2023-2024 Health & Safety Plan with revisions.
7. Field Trip  
Move that the board approve the senior class trip to Seven Presidents Oceanfront Park in N. Long Branch, New Jersey on May 19-20, 2024, at a cost to the district of one substitute.
8. Policies for Second Reading  
Move that the board approve the first reading of the following policies:
  - [815 Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources](#)
  - [819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response](#)
9. Bus Driver  
Move that the board retroactively approve Connor Crock as a bus driver with Padula Bus Company effective December 19, 2023. All clearances are on file.
10. Personal Care Assistant  
Move that the board approve Jessica Chaya as a part-time personal care assistant 4¾ hours per day, as scheduled, at the rate of \$13.75 per hour plus \$2.50 per hour whenever supporting a Level I student or classroom, per the LTESPA collective bargaining agreement, effective \_\_\_\_\_. All clearances are on file.
11. Paraprofessional  
Move that the board approve \_\_\_\_\_ as a part-time paraprofessional 4¾ hours per day, as scheduled, at the rate of \$13.75 per hour per the LTESPA collective bargaining agreement, effective \_\_\_\_\_. All clearances are on file.
12. Extracurricular Vocal Music Director  
Move that the board approve Dan Maurer as vocal music director at a stipend of \$1575 for the spring musical, The Sound of Music. All clearances are on file.
13. Spring Musical Volunteer  
Move that the board approve Jillian Fumanti as a volunteer for the spring musical, The Sound of Music. All clearances are on file.

14. Spring Musical Volunteer

Move that the board approve Janine Fortney as a volunteer for the spring musical, The Sound of Music. All clearances are on file.

15. Spring Musical Volunteer

Move that the board approve Becky Burdett as a volunteer for the spring musical, The Sound of Music. All clearances are on file.

16. Wrestling Volunteer

Move that the board approve Joe Thomas as a wrestling volunteer for the 2023-2024 season. All clearances are on file.

Mr. Ross announced there will be an executive session prior to the next meeting and adjourned the work session meeting at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrian Bianchi, Secretary Board of Education