# Loyalsock Township School District

## **Meeting of School Directors**

January 13, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Board Conference Room 1720 Sycamore Road Montoursville, PA 17754

## **MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order President
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Administrative Report/Executive Session Purpose Mr. Eugene Yaw, Solicitor 01/09/2010 (Blast IU 17, 2400 Reach Road, Williamsport, PA 17701) 12:20 p.m. 12:50 p.m. Personnel 01/13/2010 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Personnel; Negotiations; Litigation
- 4. Roll Call Mr. Gerald L. McLaughlin, Business Manager/Board Secretary

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
<ul> <li>X Edward H. Ade, Jr., Vice President</li> <li>X Maureen Carey</li> <li>X William P. Carlucci</li> <li>X Stephen M. Dewar, Treasurer</li> <li>X Denise S. Leete</li> <li>X Raymond P. McGinnis</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>X Margaret P. Piper, President</li> <li>X John B. Raymond</li> <li>X Sheila J. Yates</li> <li>X *Eugene Yaw, Solicitor</li> <li>X *Gerald McLaughlin, Acting Superintendent, Business Mgr./Bd.Secretary</li> </ul>
A Raymond F. McOmmis	*(Non-Voting Member)

## **OTHERS**

- X Matthew Reitz, Loyalsock Township High School Principal
- X Jeffrey Hartmann, Assistant High School Principal
- AB Robert Gaetano, Middle School Principal
- X John Rhoads, Donald E. Schick Elementary School Principal
- X Charles Greevy, IV, Assistant Elementary School Principal
- **AB** Sherry Griggs, Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction
- **AB** Dayne Waller, Supervisor of Special Education
- X Eric Gee, Director of Technology
- X Greg Hayes, Williamsport Sun-Gazette

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A. Recognition of Guests or Scheduled Speakers/Public Comments

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## B. Superintendent's Report/Discussion Items

- Honor Retiree Mrs. Patricia Wehr
- Recognition School Board Director Month

## C. Public Comments Relative to Agenda Items

#### 6. Finance

## A. Approval of Bills

It is recommended the Board approve expenditures from November 1, 2009, through November 30, 2009, in the amount of \$1,077,765.37.

Motion: Mr. Carlucci Second: Mr. McGinnis

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

## B. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>

It is recommended the Board approve the attached Treasurer's Report for the month of November 2009.

Motion: Mr. Ade Second: Mr. Raymond

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

#### 7. Personnel

## A. <u>Long-Term Substitute – Title I Reading</u>

It is recommended the Board appoint Ms. Jennifer Sullivan-Gross, 2914 Heshbon Road, Williamsport, PA 17701, as a long-term substitute Title I Reading Teacher (effective January 14, 2010) for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year, pursuant to the terms of the attached Memorandum of Understanding. This position is contingent upon federal funding.

Motion: Mr. Carlucci Second: Mr. McGinnis

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

## **B.** <u>Substitute Personnel</u>

It is recommended the Board approve the attached list of substitute teachers, guest teachers, secretaries, nurses, aides, etc. for the 2009-2010 school year.

Motion: Mr. Ade Second: Mrs. Carey

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

## C. Request for Family/Medical Leave – Policy 435

It is recommended the Board approve a request for family/medical leave (approximately eight weeks beginning on or around April 2, 2010) in accordance with Policy 435 from Jennifer Ellis. Mrs. Ellis is an elementary teacher at Donald E. Schick Elementary School.

Motion: Mr. Raymond Second: Mr. Dewar

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

## D. <u>Unpaid Leave</u>

It is recommended the Board approve the following request for unpaid leave in accordance with Policy 439:

■ Jennifer Beck, HS Social Studies Teacher – 2½ days

May 12, 2010 (1/2 day)

May 13, 2010 May 14, 2010

Motion: Mr. McGinnis Second: Mrs. Yates

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

## E. <u>Termination of Employee</u>

It is recommended the Board approve the termination of Ms. Sherry Schaefer from employment as a teacher at Donald E. Schick Elementary School with Loyalsock Township School District effective January 1, 2010. *Ms. Schaefer's termination is a result of not being properly certified to teach.* 

Motion: Mr. Carlucci Second: Mr. Ade

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Yates

No: Dewar, Raymond

Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

#### 8. Other

## A. Act 1 - Resolution

It is recommended the Board adopt the attached Resolution electing to not increase its tax rate above the index for the 2010-2011 school year.

Motion: Mr. McGinnis Second: Mrs. Carey

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

## B. <u>Williamsport-Lycoming Foundation</u>

The Williamsport-Lycoming Foundation has approved the attached grant application submitted by the Loyalsock Township School District to fund 3C - Calculators, Computers & Concepts of Math. The approval is contingent upon matching funds from the District.

It is recommended the Board approve to fund the 3Cs – Calculators, Computers & Concepts of Math initiative in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Motion: Mr. Carlucci Second: Mrs. Yates

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

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## C. <u>Traffic Study</u>

It is recommended the Board authorize Larson Design Group to perform a traffic study on Northway Road from Loyalsock Drive to Four Mile Drive. The purpose is to study pedestrian safety on Northway Road and left turn signalization at Four Mile Drive. The estimated fee is \$3,990.00. The Board of Supervisors of Loyalsock Township has agreed to share the cost of the study. Loyalsock Township School District's share will be approximately \$2,000.00. The traffic study must include the entire intersection including the left turn from Northway Road to Four Mile Drive.

Motion: Mr. Raymond Second: Mr. Ade

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

## D. <u>United Kingdom Trip</u>

It is recommended the Board approve a request by Jennifer Beck, Social Studies Teacher, and Jeffrey Hartmann, Assistant High School Principal. They are requesting to take approximately 12-15 high school students to the United Kingdom from June 13, 2010, through June 19, 2010, with alternate dates of July 11, 2010 – July 17, 2010. There is no cost to the District for this request. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for this trip.

Motion: Mrs. Yates Second: Mrs. Leete

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

## E. <u>Lease of Copier – Loyalsock Township High School (Faculty Room)</u>

It is recommended the Board approve a five-year lease of a Sharp MX-M950 copier from Phillips Supply House, 431 Hepburn Street, Williamsport, PA 17701, for the faculty room at the Loyalsock Township High School at a cost of \$1,015.16 per month. This copier replaces the Xerox WCP90 copier. (National Joint Powers Alliance Contract #02-1808SP – PEPPM)

Motion: Mr. Ade Second: Mr. McGinnis

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

## F. <u>Loyalsock Township PSBA Liaison</u>

It is recommended the Board appoint Mrs. Denise Leete to serve as the Loyalsock Township School District's PSBA Liaison.

Motion: Mr. Ade Second: Mr. McGinnis

Yes Ade, Carey, Carlucci, Dewar, Leete, McGinnis, Piper, Raymond, Yates

No: None Absent: None

Result: Motion Carried

## 9. Information Items/School Reports

#### A. <u>Dates for Board Members' Calendars</u>

■ Board Meeting – February 3, 2010

#### **B.** School Reports

- 1. Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction/Federal Programs
- 2. Donald E. Schick Elementary School
- 3. Loyalsock Township Middle School
- 4. Loyalsock Township High School
- 5. Supervisor of Special Education
- 6. Director of Technology

#### C. Board Comments/Reports

- 1. School District Solicitor Report Eugene Yaw, Esquire
- 2. PSBA Representative Report Mrs. Denise Leete
- 3. IU Representative Report Mr. Raymond McGinnis
- 4. Loyalsock Township Recreation Board Report Mr. Edward H. Ade, Jr./Mr. Stephen Dewar
- 5. Loyalsock Township Tax Review Board Mr. Stephen Dewar/Mr. John Raymond
- 6. Wellness Committee Mrs. Maureen Carey Lycoming Fitness Challenge January 11, 2010
- 7. Other –

Mr. Ade commented that the negotiating teams have reached a tentative agreement. LTEA will present the agreement to their membership. If all goes well, it will be presented to the full School Board for a vote on February 3, 2010. Mr. Ade thanked the LTEA negotiating team. He stated that he was glad we were able to get to this point, and we will move forward for the education of kids. Mrs. Piper commented that there was a Board retreat to discuss procedures and an orientation for new members. In the afternoon, administrators shared building initiatives.

Mr. Carlucci commented that on February 3, 2010, PSBA's recommended Code of Conduct and Rules of Governance will be recommended for adoption by our School Board.

#### 10. Public Comments

Mrs. Holly Thorne requested an update on the Superintendent Search. Mrs. Piper responded that the consultant firm has been collecting resumes. The Board is meeting with the consultant firm on February 16 and 17, 2010, to review resumes. The Board is hoping to have an appointment in April with a starting date to be determined by the availability of the selected candidate.

#### 11. Adjournment @ 8:00 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Dewar Second: Mrs. Leete