Unapproved, unofficial Minutes of the September 14, 2020 Lackawanna Trail School Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education had a meeting on September 14, 2020 @ 7:37pm in a Zoom session, public notice having been given in accordance with Pa.C.S.A. § 709 (Sunshine Act) & LTSD Procedure #006. The President called the meeting to order. Present: Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Minick, Dr. Mould, Mr. Mulhern, Ms. Naylor, Mr. Petula, Mr. Ross, Mr. Stark, Mr. Thorne. Administrators present: Dr. Murphy, Mr. Glynn, Ms. Talarico, Mr. Kearney, Ms. Kuchak.

At times there were up to 96 members of the public in attendance at the Zoom meeting.

All motions were approved by unanimous roll-call vote unless indicated to the contrary. During the meeting, Dr. Mould's microphone failed and he proceeded to indicate his vote by a thumb up/down.

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Stark to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. (with comments by Mr. Strauch)

+ Motion by Mr. Stark, Mr. Ross that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Ms. Naylor to remove tabled "motion #16 Maintenance as listed on the September 8, 2020 special school board meeting agenda.

+ Motion by Mr. Minick, Mr. Bianchi to approve the appointment of Amy Hughes for the Maintenance 11 position beginning September 15, 2020 at a starting rate of $14/per hour as stipulated in the LTESPA contract. All clearances are on file

+ Motion by Mr. Bianchi, Ms. Naylor to approve David Duchnik and Amy Kishbaugh as private vehicle drivers.

+ Motion by Mr. Ross, Mr. Stark to approve the first reading of the following policies:
[click on each for direct link to the proposed policy]

 [111: Lesson Plans](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20111%20Lesson%20Plans.pdf)

 [203: Immunizations and Communicable Diseases](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20203%20Immunizations%20and%20Communicable%20Diseases.pdf)

 [209: Health Examinations/Screenings](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20209%20Health%20Examinations-%20Screenings.pdf)

 [309.1:Telework](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20309.1%20Telework.pdf)

 [314: Physical Exam](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20314%20Physical%20Examination.pdf)

 [318: Penalties for Tardiness](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20318%20Attendance%20and%20Tardiness.pdf)

 [331: Job Related Expenses](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20331%20Job%20Related%20Expenses.pdf)

 [332: Working Periods](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20332%20Working%20Periods.pdf)

 [334: Sick leave](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20334%20Sick%20Leave.pdf)

 [340: Responsibility for Student Welfare](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20340%20Responsibility%20for%20Student%20Welfare.pdf)

 [705: Safety](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20705%20Facilities%20and%20Workplace%20Safety.pdf)

 [803: School Calendar](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20803%20School%20Calendar.pdf)

 [904: Public Attendance at School Events](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20904%20Public%20Attendance%20at%20School%20Events.pdf)

 [907: School Visitors](https://www.ltsd.org/cms/lib/PA02203626/Centricity/Domain/267/BoardDocs%20PL%20907%20School%20Visitors.pdf)

There were discussions about the details of tobacco, marijuana use on campus. Also implications of 'weapons' as might be of concern should there be future additions of a gun club. The definition of 'weapons' also was of concern as it was broadly defined. Motion was approved 8-1, Mr. Thorne voting 'NO'.

+ Motion by Ms. Naylor, Mr. Stark to approve Ashlinn Simpson's request for her son, lllion Simpson as a tuition waiver student for the 2020-2021 school year.

============================================================================Mr. Rakauskas reported that the previously approved procedures to safeguard the health and safety of all on campus worked very well during the recent COVID experience.

Dr. Murphy stated that he was impressed with the very cooperative and mature attitudes and behaviors of students during the difficult week.

Ms. Kuchak reported that the arrivals and temperature checks worked smoothly. Over the weekend she spoke with the families of the quarantined students and all went understandably well. She emphasized that EVERYONE SHOULD CHECK THEIR VOICE MAIL AND EMAIL for any emergency notices from the school before sending their students out in the morning.

Mr. Kearney stated that the start of the school year went very successfully. And he reviewed the previously established attendance procedures during troubling events.

Ms. Talarico appreciated the teachers' and students' flexibility to the challenges of the times. She is concentrating on the special needs of the students.

Ms. Gallagher reported that the Trail Golf team is undefeated this season.

Mr. Thorne adjourned at 8:31 pm

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There was an Executive Session of the Board from 6:00 - 7:25pm before the meeting to discuss the Superintendent's goals (apparent violation of 65Pa.C.S.§§708)
 and to meet with Transportation Contractors.

There is an expected Executive Session before the next public meeting.