Unapproved, unofficial Minutes of the February 1, 2021 Lackawanna Trail School Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education had a ZOOM meeting on February 1, 2021 @ 7:33pm in the Board room and ZOOM, 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. Minick, Dr. Mould, Mr. Mulhern, Ms. Naylor, Mr. Petula, Mr. Stark, Administrators present: Mr. Rakauskas, Dr. Murphy, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Glynn, Ms. Talarico, Ms. Kuchak, Mr. Schofield, Mr. Gaidula. Absent: Messrs. Bianchi, Ross, and Thorne.

There were up to 20 participants in the ZOOM session.

At the public comment discussion, Joe Strauch thanked everyone for publishing the agenda three days before the meeting so that the Public can be better informed. He also reported that members of the community would rather have their children playing in the snow and enjoying snow days than attending classes virtually. Mr. Rakauskas restated the district position to handle bad weather rather than being in school later in June. Board members reported having had similar public statements made to them.

The following motions were tentatively approved for a vote at the next meeting.

+ Motion by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to approve the minutes from the January meetings as submitted.

+ Motion by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.

+ Motion by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

+ Move that the board approve the budget for the Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit #19 for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Lackawanna Trail’s contribution is $14,897.79.

+ Move that the Board assign the $1,861,628 fund balance at February 8, 2021 for the following purposes:

\* $1,206,825 for future capital project, reassignment to listed categories at the discretion of the Business Manager.

\* $404,803 for future technology costs, reassignment to listed categories at the discretion of the Business Manager.

\* $250,000 for textbook and curriculum costs, reassignment to listed categories at the discretion of the Business Manager.

+ Move that the board approve the establishment of a Lackawanna Trail School District Federal Funds Bank Account effective 2-8-2021 to hold any federal funds received in advance.

+ Move that the board approve the e-rate funded network cabling project to add 50 Cat6 cable drops district-wide up to a maximum cost of $10,000 contingent on e-rate funding and project inclusion in the 2021-22 General Operating Budget.

+ Move that the board approve the first reading of the following policies and Mr. Strauch was asked to supply his comments pertinent to them in writing to the Superintendent before the next meeting. Some changes are anticipated later in this week.

[Policy 100 Programs](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-100-Comprehensive-Planning-1st-reading.pdf)

[Policy 101 Mission Statement/Vision Statement/Shared Values](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-101-Mission-Statement-Vision-Statement-Shared-Values-1st-Reading.pdf)

[Policy 102 Academic Standards](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-102-Academic-Standards-1st-Reading.pdf)

[Policy 103 Discrimination/ Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Students](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-103-Discrimination-Title-IX-Sexual-Harrassment-Affecting-Students.pdf)

[Policy 105 Curriculum](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-105-Curriculum-1st-Reading.pdf)

[Policy 106 Guides for Planned Instruction](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-106-Guides-for-Planned-Instruction.pdf)

[Policy 107 Adoption of Planned Instruction](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-107-Adoption-of-Planned-Instruction.pdf)

[Policy 113.2 Behavior Support](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-113.2-Behavior-Support.pdf)

[Policy 114 Gifted Education](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-114-Gifted-Education.pdf)

[Policy 116 Tutoring](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-116-Tutoring-1st-Reading.pdf)

[Policy 218.3 Discipline of a Student Convicted/Adjudicated for Sexual Assault](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-218.3-Discipline-of-Student-Convicted-Adjudicated-of-Sexual-Assault.pdf)

[Policy 252 Dating Violence](https://www.ltsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/BoardDocs®-PL-252-Dating-Violence.pdf)

+ Move that the board approve the Retirement MOU for Patrice Gray at the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year.

+ Move that the board approve Erin Merkel’s Child-Rearing leave request from March 4, 2021-April 8, 2021.

+ Move that the board approve Tim Ronchi as a volunteer assistant track coach for the 2020-2021 spring season. All clearances are on file.

Meeting adjourned 8:00pm.

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There was an Executive Session from 6:30 - 7:26pm to discuss

+ an overview of the preliminary budget, (apparent violation of 65Pa.C.S.§§708)

+ a report from the Budget and Finance Committee (apparent violation of 65Pa.C.S.§§708)

+ a report on upcoming staffing requirements. (apparent violation of 65Pa.C.S.§§708)

Another Executive Session is anticipated before the next meeting.