

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

- (1) The Board of School Directors of the Lebanon School District met as a committee-of-the-whole on Monday, February 8, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the board conference room of the senior high school as advertised in the Daily News on December 9, 2015.
- (2) President Peter N. Pyles, Jr., called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- (3) On roll call, the following board members were present: Mrs. Debra Bowman, Mrs. Ashley Cessna, Mrs. Rose Marie R. Kotay, Mr. Michael J. Kuhn, Mr. Cesar Liriano, Mr. Robert Okonak, Mr. Peter N. Pyles, Jr., and Mr. Thomas L. Schaffer and Mr. Paul Topping. Also present were Dr. Marianne T. Bartley, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Mary A. Harrell, secretary; Mr. Curt Richards, business manager and treasurer and Mr. Michael Bechtold, solicitor.
- (4) Also present were Dr. Chris Danz, assistant to the superintendent for HR and pupil services; Mr. Mike Murphy assistant to the superintendent for assessment and accountability; Mr. Fred Shattls, director of ESL; Mr. Josh Coatsworth, director of special education; Mr. Shawn Canady, chief information officer; Mr. Brian Hartman, director of buildings and grounds; Mr. Adam Steckbeck, head custodian; Mr. George Horn school district resident; and the following media representative: Mr. John Latimer of the Lebanon Daily News.
- (5) Mrs. Kotay announced that board members would find in their packet board hearing reports for the following recently conducted disciplinary hearings:

Case 2015-2016 - #44
Case 2015-2016 - #45
Case 2015-2016 - #46
Case 2015-2016 - #47
- (6) Mrs. Kotay, chairperson of the Board Committee on Suspension and Expulsion of Students, stated that a recommendation is included from the committee on suspension and expulsion of students on the hearing reports. A copy of the hearing reports is included with these minutes. Mrs. Kotay thanked Mr. Tom Schaffer for representing the Board at the discipline hearings.
- (7) RESOLUTION #15347 – It was moved by Mrs. Kotay and seconded by Mr. Schaffer to accept the committee’s recommendations as set forth in the hearing reports. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- (8) Dr. Bartley shared that tomorrow Governor Wolf plans to deliver his 2016-2017 budget proposal. On Wednesday, February 10th, Dr. Bartley plans to participate in a conference call with Pedro Rivera, Secretary of Education. The Secretary will talk on several topics impacting our schools and students

including the upcoming 2016-2017 budget address. Dr. Bartley also plans to attend the IU13 Legislative Breakfast, at IU13 in Lancaster, on March 14th, 2016.

- (9) Dr. Bartley shared that Hoaran Wang will be a guest student at Southwest Elementary School for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
- (10) Our District Mini-THON will be held on Saturday, April 2nd, and is open to all schools. A kick off assembly will be held at Southwest Elementary School on Friday, February 12th.
- (11) Dr. Bartley congratulated the following high school students who were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society at the Lebanon County Career and Technology Center on Tuesday, February 9th: Benjamin Kutz – Sports Therapy Sciences; Chelse Murray – Health Careers Technology; and Alyssa Rivera – Health Careers Technology.
- (12) The following new policies are on the agenda for a 2nd Reading:
 - Policy #815D – Teacher-Student Communications
 - Policy #819.1 – Suicide Awareness and Prevention
- (13) Dr. Bartley and the board members discussed the remaining items on the agenda, but no official action was taken.
- (14) The president requested that board members remain for an executive session to discuss personnel matters following the meeting.
- (15) With no further business to come before the board at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Schaffer and seconded by Mrs. Kotay that the meeting adjourn. All members voiced consent and President Pyles declared the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Harrell
Secretary of the Board