

## SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

- (1) The Board of School Directors of the Lebanon School District met as a committee-of-the-whole on Monday, November 12, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the board conference room of the senior high school as advertised in the Daily News on December 7, 2017.
- (2) President Peter N. Pyles, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- (3) On roll call by the secretary, the following board members were present: Mrs. Debra L. Bowman, Mrs. Rose Marie R. Kotay, Mr. Michael J. Kuhn, Mr. Cesar Liriano, Mr. Robert Okonak, Mr. Peter N. Pyles, Jr., Mr. Thomas L. Schaffer and Mrs. Tracy Johnsen. Mrs. Ashley Cessna was absent. Also present were Dr. Arthur W. C. Abrom, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Mary A. Harrell, secretary; Mr. Curt Richards, business manager; and Attorney Mike Bechtold, District 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 & accountability; Mr. Brian Hartman, director of buildings and grounds; Mr. Shawn Canady, chief information officer; Mr. Josh Coatsworth, director of special education; Mr. Todd Kaylor, assistant director of buildings and grounds; Mr. Adam Steckbeck, head custodian; Mr. Pedro Cruz, Henry Houck Principal; Mrs. Dawn Connelly, LMS Principal; Mr. Robert Nordall, LHS Assistant Principal; Mr. Jeff Kowalczyk, Barbacane, Thornton & Company, auditors; Mr. George Horn community member.
- (5) Mrs. Kotay announced that board members would find at their seat, hearing reports for the following recently conducted disciplinary hearings:  
  
Case 2018-2019 – 01  
Case 2018-2019 – 02
- (6) Mrs. Kotay, chairperson of the Board Committee on Suspension and Expulsion of Students, stated a recommendation is included from the committee on suspension and expulsion of students on the hearing reports. Copies of the hearing reports are included with these minutes. Mrs. Kotay thanked Mr. Okonak for attending the hearings.
- (7) RESOLUTION #15905 - 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. Abrom introduced Mr. Jeff Kowalczyk from Barbacane, Thornton & Company, LLP. Mr. Kowalczyk presented the favorable Independent Auditors Report for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Mr. Kowalczyk thanked the Board, Administration, and our Business Office for a job well done.

- (9) Each Board member was provided a hard copy of the Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018.
- (10) Dr. Abrom announced that next week our Board will be asked to approve the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and MOU between the City of Lebanon Land Bank and Lebanon School District. Representatives from the City will present three City properties for rehabilitation and selling to owner-occupant homebuyers, for the Board's consideration.
- (11) Dr. Abrom and the board members discussed the remaining items on the agenda, but no official action was taken.
- (12) Mr. Schaffer, Mr. Kuhn and Mr. Okonak attended the high school's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Futures Seminar. They felt that it was a very impressive networking and shadowing event. As career development is a lifelong process through which we come to understand ourselves as we relate to the world of work and our role in it. At this event, we help our students from the Junior class connect with community members who have been successful in their careers. We hope this networking time among students and business practitioners in the world of work will inspire our students to pursue their hopes and dreams.
- (13) President Pyles requested that board members remain for an executive session to discuss personnel matters following the meeting.
- (14) With no further business to come before the board at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Schaffer and seconded by Mr. Okonak 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