

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

- (1) The Board of School Directors of the Lebanon School District met as a committee-of-the-whole on Monday, January 13, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the board conference room of the senior high school as advertised in the Daily News on December 5, 2019.
- (2) President Robert G. Okonak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- (3) On roll call, the following board members were present: Mr. Scott Barry, Mrs. Debra Bowman, Ms. Heather Eggert, Ms. Jan Falk, Mr. Matt Hershey, Mrs. Tracy Johnsen, Mr. Michael J. Kuhn, Mr. Robert Okonak, and Mr. Peter N. Pyles, Jr. Also present were Dr. Arthur W. C. Abrom, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Mary A. Harrell, secretary; Mr. Curt Richards, business manager & 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. Josh Coatsworth, director of special education; Mr. Shawn Canady, chief information officer; Mrs. Kelly Herr, assistant business manager; Mr. Mike Reager, Principal, Harding Elementary School; Mr. Pedro Cruz, Principal, Henry Houck Elementary School; Ms. Staci O'Byle, Assistant Principal, Southeast and Southwest Elementary School; Mr. Neil Young, Principal, Northwest Elementary School; Mrs. Dawn Connelly, Principal, Lebanon Middle School; Mr. Bill Giovino, Principal, Lebanon High School; Mr. Dave Bentz, Assistant Principal, Lebanon High School; Mr. Karl Liedtka, school counselor; Mr. Robert Nordall, Assistant Principal, Lebanon High School; Mrs. Jen Nordall, Assistant Principal, Northwest Elementary School; Mr. Corey Wenger and Mr. Dan Rau, Assistant Principal's, Lebanon Middle School; Mr. Nick Bullock, Assistant Principal, Harding Elementary School; Mr. Todd Kaylor, assistant director of buildings and grounds; Mr. Adam Steckbeck, head custodian and Mr. George Horn, resident.
- (5) Mr. Pyles announced that board members would find in their packet board hearing reports for the following recently conducted disciplinary hearings:
 - Case 2019-2020 - #11
 - Case 2019-2020 - #12
 - Case 2019-2020 - #13
 - Case 2019-2020 - #14
 - Case 2019-2020 - #15
 - Case 2019-2020 - #16
 - Case 2019-2020 - #17
 - Case 2019-2020 - #18

- (6) Mr. Pyles, 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.
- (7) RESOLUTION #16098 – It was moved by Mr. Pyles and seconded by Mr. Okonak to accept the committee’s recommendations as set forth in the hearing reports. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- (8) January is "School Director Recognition Month." The meeting began by recognizing and thanking the members of our Board of Directors for volunteering their time and talents for the betterment of public education in our community. We are extremely fortunate to have a great school Board of Directors here at Lebanon School District.
- (9) Dr. Abrom presented a Certificate of Appreciation to each School Director.
- (10) To honor each director, building principals presented his or her school board buddy with at least one book, which will be donated to the school library. Each book contains a bookplate with the name of the “board buddy” for that school.
- (11) Dr. Abrom shared a draft Dress Code Policy #221. This revised policy is on this month’s agenda for a first reading.
- (12) Mr. Giovino, Mr. Nordall Mr. Liedtka and Mr. Bentz presented the Board with information about various changes at the high school.
- (13) Our All Staff meeting will be held on January 17, 2020. Mr. Dan Jurman will be our guest speaker.
- (14) Dr. Abrom and the board members discussed the remaining items on the agenda, but no official action was taken.
- (15) The vice-president requested that board members remain for an executive session to discuss personnel matters and purchase/sale of real property.
- (16) With no further business to come before the board at this time, a motion was made by Ms. Eggert and seconded by Mr. Pyles that the meeting adjourn. All members voiced consent and President Okonak declared the meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Harrell
Secretary of the Board