

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

- (1) The Board of School Directors of the Lebanon School District met in regular session on Monday, April 12, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the board conference room of the senior high school as advertised in the Daily News on December 10, 2020.
- (2) President Robert Okonak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- (3) On roll call by the secretary, 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. Mike Kuhn, Mr. Robert Okonak, 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; Mrs. Kelly Herr, assistant business manager, Mrs. Amber Abreu, director of ELD; Mr. Josh Coatsworth, director of special education; Mr. Shawn Canady, chief information officer; Mr. Brian Hartman, director of buildings and grounds; Mr. Todd Kaylor, assistant director of buildings and grounds; Mr. Bill Giovino, LHS principal and Mr. Robert Nordall, LHS assistant principal.
- (5) Mr. Peter N. Pyles, Jr. announced that board members would find in their packet hearing reports for the following recently conducted disciplinary hearings:

Case 2020-2021 - #03
- (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 #16306 - It was moved by Mr. Pyles and seconded by Mrs. Bowman to accept the committee's recommendations as set forth in the hearing reports. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- (8) Information was shared with our Board, during the Superintendent Updates:
 - Safety/Security – Dr. Danz
 - Dr. Danz shared that the governor's new occupancy limits for schools has increased to 25% for indoor and 50% for outdoor.
 - The instructional model update and transmission chart update was shared.

- Some of our elementary classrooms or schools had to move to virtual learning and other elementary schools have been unscathed.
- Kudos to Mr. Hartman and his staff for continuing to keep our schools clean.
- Curriculum/Instruction Update – Mr. Murphy
 - We continue to bring back more students to in-person learning. We cannot bring back our 8th grade as the size of this class makes it prohibitive. We will continue to monitor this.
 - The PSSA testing window for grades 3 to 8 is now April 19 through April 28 with grades testing on different dates within this window.
 - We currently have 5 schools on the Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit Program (OSTCP) Letters will be going out to parents.
- Superkids Reading Materials – Mr. Murphy
 - This is a great program. Our ARC program and Superkids complement each other.
- Mr. Giovino shared his EOY letter that was given to the students in the Class of 2021. The 149th Commencement Exercises will be held in a virtual format on Friday, June 11, 2021, at 7:00 PM.

- (9) The other items on the agenda were discussed but no further action was taken. With no further business to come before the board at this time, a motion was made by Ms. Eggert and seconded by Mrs. Johnsen that the meeting adjourn.
- (10) Board members were asked to remain for an executive session to discuss personnel matters and sale/purchase of real property.
- (11) President Okonak declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Harrell
Secretary of the Board