

**NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Reorganization Meeting**  
**Board Minutes**  
**Slatington, PA**  
**December 6, 2004**

**PURPOSE** The annual Reorganization Meeting of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors was called to order by the Secretary, Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer, at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 6, 2004 in the boardroom of the Slatington Elementary School.

**ROLL CALL**  
**PRESENT**  
**DIRECTORS** Members present: Mr. Franklin D. Beers, Mr. Robert J. Cox, Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer, Mr. Raymond J. Follweiler, Jr., Mrs. Susan H. Fullas, Mrs. Lauren A. Ganser, Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos, Mr. William H. Hazzard, Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr. (9)

Members absent: None (0)

Non-members present: Dr. Nicholas P. Sham, Mrs. Lynne B. Fedorcha, Mr. Philip Bertolino, Mr. John Hrizuk, Mr. Brian Geiger, Ms. Christine Stafford, Attorney Charles Stopp (Solicitor), Ms. Laurie Newman-Mankos, Mrs. Doneta J. Merkle

**VISITORS** Approximately seven visitors attended the meeting, in addition to Sharon Minnich, reporter for The Times News, Stacey Duck, reporter for The Morning Call, and Terry Ahner, reporter for The Chronicle.

Notice of Organization Meeting The Board Secretary, Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer, acknowledged the fact that all Board members received the Notice of Organization Meeting, which was signed by the Board Secretary.

**ELECTION**  
**TEMPORARY**  
**PRESIDENT** The Secretary requested a motion to open the floor for nominations for Temporary President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors.

Open Nominations For Temporary President Mrs. Fullas made a motion to open the nominations for Temporary President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors. Mr. Follweiler seconded her motion.

Nomination For Temporary President Mrs. Fullas nominated Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer for Temporary President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors. Mr. Follweiler seconded the motion.

Close Nominations A motion was made by Mr. Green, to close the nominations for Temporary President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors.

Vote On Closing Nominations YEA: Mr. Beers, Mr. Cox, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Fullas, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mr. Hazzard, Mr. Green (9)  
NAY: None (0)

Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer was unanimously declared duly elected Temporary President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors.

List of Legally Elected School Officials The list of duly elected Board members and their terms of office were acknowledged by Temporary President, Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer.

**ADMINIS-  
TRATION  
OF OATH**

District Justice, William Zahn, administered the Oath of Office to School Board members:  
Franklin D. Beers  
Robert J. Cox  
Bryan C. Dorshimer  
Raymond J. Follweiler, Jr.  
Susan H. Fullas  
Lauren A. Ganser  
Lori H. Geronikos  
William H. Hazzard  
Mathias J. Green, Jr.

**SECTION 321 – OATH OF OFFICE**

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

**ELECTION  
OF  
PRESIDENT**

Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer, Temporary President, called for nominations for President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term.

Nominations  
For  
President

Mrs. Ganser nominated Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer for President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term. Mr. Follweiler seconded her motion.

Decline  
Nomination

Mr. Dorshimer declined the nomination for President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term citing a conflict of interest in the district as his reason.

Mr. Cox nominated Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr. for President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term. Mrs. Fullas seconded his motion.

Close  
Nominations

A motion was made by Mrs. Fullas that the nominations for President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors be closed.

Mathias J.  
Green, Jr.  
Board President

Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer declared Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr. to be declared duly elected President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Board Directors for a one-year term.

**ELECTION  
OF VICE  
PRESIDENT**

President Green called for nominations for Vice-President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term.

Nominations  
For Vice  
President

Mr. Follweiler nominated Mrs. Lauren A. Ganser for Vice President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term.

Mrs. Fullas nominated Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos for Vice President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term.

Close  
Nominations  
For Vice-  
President

A motion was made by Mr. Cox, with a second by Mr. Hazzard, that the nominations for Vice President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors be closed.

Vote On  
Closing  
Nominations  
For Vice-

YEA: Mr. Beers, Mr. Cox, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Fullas, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mr. Hazzard, Mr. Green (9)  
NAY: None (0)

Vote On Lauren A. Ganser For Vice President  
ROLL CALL: YEA: Mr. Beers, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Ganser (3)  
NAY: Mr. Cox, Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Fullas, Mrs. Geronikos, Mr. Hazzard, Mr. Green (6)  
Motion defeated.

Vote On Lori H. Geronikos-V-President  
Vote on nomination of Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos as Vice President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term.

ROLL CALL: YEA: Mr. Cox, Mr. Dorshimer, Mrs. Fullas, Mrs. Geronikos, Mr. Hazzard, Mr. Beers, Mr. Green (7)  
NAY: Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Ganser (2)  
Motion carried.

Lori H. Geronikos Board Vice President  
Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos was declared duly elected Vice President of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors for a one-year term.

A discussion was held regarding problems with holding board meetings in locations other than the Slatington Elementary Boardroom. After some discussion it was decided to continue to meet in the other three buildings in the district as listed on the board meeting schedule which was presented for 2005.

**SET BOARD** A motion was made by Mrs. Geronikos, with a second by Mr. Beers, that the Board of Education **MEETING** approve the Board meeting times and places, as presented.

**TIMES AND PLACES**

YEA: Mr. Beers, Mr. Cox, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Fullas, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mr. Hazzard, Mr. Green (9)  
NAY: None (0)

Mr. Green indicated that a suggestion was presented to him to change the committee meeting schedule. He suggested that this become a discussion at the January meeting.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

As stipulated in Section 407 of the Pennsylvania School Code of 1949, as amended, all Board meetings will be conducted according to the rules and regulations approved in Northern Lehigh School District Policy #006.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Dorshimer, with a second by Mr. Beers, that the Reorganization Meeting of the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors be adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

YEA: Mr. Beers, Mr. Cox, Mr. Dorshimer, Mr. Follweiler, Mrs. Fullas, Mrs. Ganser, Mrs. Geronikos, Mr. Hazzard, Mr. Green (9)  
NAY: None (0)

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan C. Dorshimer  
Secretary

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ President  
Mathias J. Green, Jr.