

NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, January 3, 2005
Slatington Elementary Boardroom
7:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. A. By notice of the President, Board Members are advised that all financial matters shall be regarded as roll call votes. The minutes should also note that Public Notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 84 of 1986.
- B. School Board Meeting shall proceed in accordance with School Board Policy.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance.
- D. Roll Call.
- E. Public Comment -- Restricted to Agenda Items.

II. SPECIAL BOARD REPORTS

- A. Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer
 - B. Lehigh Career and Technical Institute Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos
 - C. Legislative Report Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos
 - D. Lehigh Carbon Community College Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr.
 - E. Committee Reports and/or Meetings
 - 1. Adopt school board committee meeting calendar for 2005. (Attachment #1)
 - 2. Adopt school board committee member list for 2005. (Attachment #2)
 - 3. Minutes of the Policy/Education/Staffing Committee meeting held on November 15, 2004. (Attachment #3)
 - F. Student Representatives To The Board Report..... Ms. Ashley Kunkle
Ms. Jessica Fidler
 - G. Solicitor's Report Attorney Charles Stopp
 - H. Federal and Other Programs Update Mrs. Lynne B. Fedorcha
 - I. Superintendent's Report Dr. Nicholas P. Sham, Sr.
- Pennsylvania School Boards Association -- January is School Board Recognition Month

- High School Debate Team

J. Executive Session – 7:00 p.m. – Superintendent’s Office

III. PERSONNEL

A. Substitutes

1. Instructional

Approve the following substitute teacher for the 2004-2005 school year at the substitute teacher rates of \$70.00 for 1-10 non-consecutive days; \$80.00 for 11-20 non-consecutive days; and \$90.00 for 21+ non-consecutive days:

Nicholas Mitchell – Elementary

B. Rescind Compensated Professional Leave Request

Approve to rescind the request granted to Linda Thompson on October 4, 2004 to take a compensated professional leave of absence for professional development for the second semester of the 2004-2005.

C. Extension of Unpaid Leave of Absence

Approve the request of Tracy Ettinger, Peters Elementary second grade teacher, to be granted an extension of her unpaid leave of absence for child rearing to include the second semester of the 2004-2005 school year. She plans to return to her teaching position for the 2005-2006 school year.

D. Extension of Child Rearing Leave of Absence

Approve the request of Laurie Ramsey, Slatington Elementary fifth grade teacher, to be granted an extension of her child rearing leave of absence and change her date of return from early February 2005 to March 21, 2005.

IV. POLICY

A. Conferences

1. Approve the request of Brian Geiger to attend a Pennsylvania School Business Officials 50th Anniversary Conference from March 8-11, 2005 in Valley Forge, PA. Expenses for this conference include \$220.00 for registration, \$47.00 for travel, \$50.00 for meals for a total cost of \$317.00 and will be paid for through the 2004-2005 Director of Support Services budget. (Attachment #4)

2. Approve the request of Christine Stafford to attend a Pennsylvania School Business Officials 50th Anniversary Conference from March 8-11, 2005 in Valley Forge, PA. Expenses for this conference include \$220.00 for registration, \$47.00 for travel, \$50.00 for meals for a total cost of \$317.00 and will be paid for through the 2004-2005 general fund. (Attachment #5)

B. Board Policy

1. New Board Policy – First Reading

- a. Approve to adopt new school board policy #249 – Pupils – Bullying/Harassment, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #6)
- b. Approve to adopt new school board policy #904.2 – Community – Civility/Orderly Conduct, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #7)
- c. Approve to adopt new school board policy #141 – Programs – Identification Badge, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #8)

2. Revisions To Existing Policy – First Reading

- a. Approve revisions to existing school board policy #429 – Professional Employees – Substitute/Temporary Vacancy Replacement compensation, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #9)
- b. Approve revisions to existing school board policy #705 – Property – Safety, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #10)
- c. Approve revisions to existing school board policy #807 – Operations – Opening Exercises/Flag Displays, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #11)
- d. Approve revisions to existing school board policy #907 – Community – School Visitors, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #12)

C. Agreement of Sponsorship

Approve the Agreement of Sponsorship To Attend Another Pennsylvania Community College for Katie L. Konek, in accordance with the guidelines established under Policy #912. Beginning in the Summer of 2005 she will be a fulltime student at Northampton Community College to pursue her course of study in Nuclear Medicine. (Attachment #13)

V. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution for School Director Recognition Month – January 2005

WHEREAS, the role of locally elected school officials has served the Commonwealth

of Pennsylvania and local communities in meeting the needs of public education since the passage of the Free School Act in 1834; and

WHEREAS, these local boards have discharged their responsibilities to public education in a manner which has placed education in the forefront of our educational systems; and

WHEREAS, locally elected officials have distinguished themselves and their communities in this nonpaid, volunteer public service commitment; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of these men and women who serve on the Northern Lehigh Board of School Directors :

Franklin D. Beers
Robert J. Cox
Bryan C. Dorshimer
Raymond J. Follweiler, Jr.
Susan H. Fullas
Lauren A. Ganser
Lori H. Geronikos
Mathias J. Green, Jr.
William H. Hazzard

should be recognized and appreciated by those who benefit from the workings of our public school system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Board of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association hereby proclaims the month of January as School Director Recognition Month in this Commonwealth; and the citizens, students, teachers, and administrators of the Northern Lehigh School District seek to honor said Directors for their dedication and selfless time commitment to the workings of the district,

FURTHER RESOLVE that this proclamation be entered into the minutes of this meeting of January 3, 2005.

VIII. FINANCIAL

- A. Approve the Arthurs Lestrange Cash Management Portfolio for the month of November 2004. (Attachment #14)

IX. LEGAL

X. CORRESPONDENCE

XI. INFORMATION

- A. Notification has been received from the PA Department of Education of their approval of PlanCon Park K: Project Refinancing – Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2004 to Advance Refund General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2001. A copy of this

document and appended materials will be entered into the official minutes of this meeting.
(Attachment #15)

- B. Minutes of the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit Board of Directors meeting held on November 15, 2004.

XII. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT