

NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2007
Slatington Elementary School
Gymnasium
7:30 P.M.



- 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. Sheryl A. Giles
 - C. Legislative Report Mr. Gregory S. Williams
 - D. Lehigh Carbon Community College Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr.
 - E. Committee Reports and/or Meetings
 - Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on February 5, 2007. **(Attachment #1)**
 - F. Student Representatives to the Board Report Mr. Nathan Hunsicker
Ms. Rachael Parisi
 - 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.
- Administrative Goals Mid-Year Review
- Reminder March 5 Board Meeting will be held in the Peters Elementary School.

III. PERSONNEL**A. Substitutes****1. Instructional**

Approve the following substitute teachers for the 2006-2007 school year at the 2006-2007 substitute teacher rates of \$80.00 for 1-10 non-consecutive days; \$90.00 for 11-20 non-consecutive days; and \$105.00 for 21+ non-consecutive days:

Marissa Walters*

**Pending verification of health physical.*

B. Unpaid Volunteer Aides

Approve the following unpaid volunteer aide at Peters Elementary for the 2006-2007 school year:

Paul Eible

IV. CONFERENCES

- A. Doug Reynolds* – Emerging Technologies – February 27, March 27 and April 24, 2007 – CLIU #21 Schnecksville, PA – Registration: \$150.00 - Total Approximate Cost: \$150.00 – Funding: Title IID
(Attachment #2)
- B. Karen Beltz – Tides of Change – March 6 & 7, 2007 – CLIU #21 Schnecksville, PA – Registration: \$200.00 - Total Approximate Cost: \$200.00 – Funding: Slatington Elementary Building Budget (Attachment #3)
- C. Sharon Karpiszin – Tides of Change – March 6 & 7, 2007 – CLIU #21 Schnecksville, PA – Registration: \$200.00 - Total Approximate Cost: \$200.00 – Funding: Peters Elementary Building Budget (Attachment #4)

** Due to a possible work stoppage, registration for these conferences will not take place until the last possible moment.*

V. POLICY**A. Board Policy – First Reading**

- 1. Approve revisions to existing school board policy #609 – Finances: Investments, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #5)
- 2. Approve new school board policy #100 – Programs: Strategic Plan, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #6)

VI. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**VII. OLD BUSINESS****VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

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- A. Approve to ratify a four-year Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Northern Lehigh School District and the Northern Lehigh Education Association, effective September 1, 2006 through August 31, 2010.

IX. FINANCIAL

- A. Approve the Following Financial Reports:
1. General Fund month of January
 2. Athletic Fund month of January
 3. Capital Reserve month of January
 4. Cafeteria Fund month of January
 5. NLHS Student Activities Account month of January
 6. NLHS Scholarship Account month of January
 7. NLMS Student Activities Account month of December & January.
- B. Approve the Following List of Bills:
1. General Fund months of January and February
 2. Athletic Fund month of January
 3. Cafeteria Fund month of February
- C. Approve to enter into an agreement with Hutchinson, Gillahan & Freeh, P.C. for auditing services for the year 2006-2007 at a cost of:
- \$18,900.00 Base Fee
\$2,250.00 Single Audit
\$750.00 AFR (if desired)
\$70.00 Per Hour Additional Services
- (Attachment #7)**
- D. Approve to authorize proper officials to solicit proposals (RFP) for physician services for athletic and state mandated student physicals.
- E. Approve to authorize the proper officials to solicit bids for DIESEL FUEL, #2 HEATING FUEL AND UNLEADED GASOLINE for the period July 1, 2007 thru June 30, 2008.
- F. Approve to authorize the proper officials to solicit bids for UPGRADE TO HIGH SCHOOL SECURITY-VIDEO SYSTEM.
- G. Approve to authorize the proper officials to solicit bids for IMPROVEMENTS TO PETERS ELEMENTARY POTABLE WELL. (Required to bring well up to code. Bids will be solicited if estimates indicate need.)
- H. Approve to authorize the proper officials to solicit bids for RESURFACING OF TRACK AND FIELD EVENT RUNWAYS.
- I. Approve to authorize the proper officials to solicit bids for HIGH SCHOOL EMERGENCY GENERATOR SYSTEM.
- J. Approve to authorize administration to advertise the intent to adopt a resolution for the front end referendum question as required by Act I of 2006.

K. Approve to authorize administration to advertise the intent to seek exception from back end referendum from the Department of Education (PDE) for Special Education Expenditures in the estimated amount of \$427,876.00 and Retirement Contributions in the estimated amount of \$57,073.00 as required by Act 1 of 2006.

L. Authorize a refund of real estate tax payment to Deerhaven Properties, LLC 103 Woodstock Drive Saylorsburg, PA in the amount of \$99.48. The real estate taxes were paid in duplicate.

X. **LEGAL**

XI. **CORRESPONDENCE**

XII. **INFORMATION**

XIII. **BUDGET DISCUSSION**

XIV. **ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET 2007-2008**

A. It is recommended that the Board of Education adopts the preliminary general fund budget of the Northern Lehigh school District for the 2007-2008 school year in the amount of \$26,947,023.00. This is an increase of \$1,580,010.00 or 6.23% over last year's figures.

The preliminary budget is adopted with a _____ mill increase for Lehigh County and a _____ mill increase for Northampton County using method ____ of Section 672.1 of the Public School Code of 1949.

1. Taxes under Act 511/Act 679 with no changes from 2006-2007:

- a. A 1% Earned Income Tax shared equally with coterminous municipalities.
- b. A Realty Transfer Tax shared equally with coterminous municipalities.
- c. A \$10.00 Per Capita Tax (\$5.00 under Act 511 and \$5.00 under Section 679 of the School Code of 1949), taxable on residents age 18 and over.
- d. An Emergency Municipal Services Tax is shared with coterminous municipalities and Northern Lehigh School District's share is \$5.00.

XV. **RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

XVI. **ADJOURNMENT**