

**NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular School Board Meeting**  
**Monday, May 1, 2006**  
**Senior High School Auditorium**  
**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. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETINGS**

- A. Regular school board meeting held on April 3, 2006.
- B. Regular school board meeting held on April 19, 2006.

**III. 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
- F. Student Representatives to the Board Report ..... Ms. Jessica Fidler  
Mr. Nathan Hunsicker
- 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.
- J. Executive Session -- High school guidance office conference room beginning at 6:30 p.m.

**IV. PERSONNEL****V. CONFERENCES****VI. POLICY**

A. Approve a request from the Lehigh County Office of Children & Youth to allow an elementary student, residing with an aunt outside the district, to continue attending classes in our district for the remainder of the 2005-2006 school year.

B. Board Policy – Second Reading

Approve revisions to school board policy #606 – Finances – Tax Collection, as presented after second reading. **(Attachment #1)**

**VII. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION****VIII. OLD BUSINESS****IX. NEW BUSINESS****X. FINANCIAL**

A. Approve abatements/exonerations of per capita taxes, for the residents that fall within the guidelines, as listed in **attachment #2**.

B. Approve the Arthurs Lestrangle Cash Management Portfolio for the month of March 2006. **(Attachment #3)**

**XI. LEGAL****XII. CORRESPONDENCE****XIII. INFORMATION**

A. Minutes of the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit 21 Board of Directors meeting held on March 20, 2006.

B. Minutes of the Borough of Slatington Parks & Recreation Commission meetings held on March 20 and April 17, 2006.

C. Minutes of the Lehigh Career and Technical Institute Joint Operating Committee meeting held on March 22, 2006 and the LCTI Director's Report for April 2006.

**XIV. BUDGET DISCUSSION****XV. ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR 2006-2007**

- A. It is recommended that the Board of Education adopts the tentative general fund budget of the Northern Lehigh School District for the 2006-2007 school year in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. This is an increase of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% over last year's figures.

The preliminary budget is adopted with a \_\_\_\_\_ mill increase for Lehigh County and a \_\_\_\_\_ mill increase for Northampton County.

1. Taxes under Act 511/Act 679 with no changes from 2005-2006:
  - 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. A \$10.00 Emergency and Municipal Tax (formerly Occupation Privilege Tax) shared equally with coterminous municipalities.

**B. Legal Notice**

Authorize the Secretary to publish a Legal Advertisement notifying every resident or inhabitant within the territorial limits of the school district of Northern Lehigh attaining eighteen (18) years of age, and every resident or inhabitant in said school district to notify the proper Per Capita Tax Enumerator within twelve (12) months of his or her becoming a resident or inhabitant, in accordance with the School Laws of Pennsylvania, Section 680, as amended June 16, 1972, Act 138. The assessors to contact are as follows:

**BOROUGH OF WALNUTPORT**

Kim Minjack – Borough Secretary  
Walnutport Borough Building  
417 Lincoln Avenue, Walnutport, PA 18088  
610-767-1322

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP**

Diane Frantz – Township Secretary  
Washington Township Municipal Building  
PO Box 27, Slatedale, PA 18078  
610-767-8108

**BOROUGH OF SLATINGTON**

John Kasten – Borough Secretary  
125 South Walnut Street  
Slatington, PA 18080  
610-767-2131

**C. Tax Levies Under Act 511**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of School Directors of the School District of Northern Lehigh, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, under and by virtue of the Authority vested in it by the Local Tax Enabling Act of 1965 (Act 511) and its amendments, that a Per Capita Tax in the amount of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), (\$5.00 Act 511 and \$5.00 Act 679) as originally enacted by the Board of School Directors of Northern Lehigh School District on April 11, 1966, be and the same is again hereby levied, assessed, and imposed on each resident or inhabitant over eighteen (18) years of age in said District; a 1% Real Estate Transfer Tax, as originally enacted by the Board of School Directors of Northern Lehigh School District on April 11, 1966 and revised on April 12, 1987, be and the same is again levied, assessed, and imposed; an Emergency And Municipal Service Tax (formerly Occupation Privilege Tax) in the amount of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) on occupations as originally enacted by the Board of School Directors of Northern Lehigh School District on April 11, 1966, be and the same is again levied, assessed, and imposed; and an Earned Income Tax of 1%, as originally enacted by the Board of School Directors of Northern Lehigh School District on April 11, 1966, be and the same is again levied, assessed, and imposed for general school purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006. Please note that Real Estate Transfer Tax, Emergency and Municipal Service Tax, and Earned Income Tax are split equally with the municipality.

**RECOMMENDATION..... That the Board of Education adopts the above Resolution.**

**D. Per Capita Resolution**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of School Directors of the School District of Northern Lehigh, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, under and by virtue of the authority vested in it by Section 679 of the Pennsylvania School Code of 1949, and its amendments, that a Per Capita Tax to provide revenue for general school purposes be and the same is hereby levied, assessed and imposed in the amount of Five Dollars (\$5.00) on each resident or inhabitant over eighteen (18) years of age, in the territorial limits of the Northern Lehigh School District.

**RECOMMENDATION..... That the Board of Education adopts the above Resolution.**

**XVI. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS****XVII. ADJOURNMENT**