

**NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular School Board Meeting**  
**Monday, June 5, 2006**  
**Slatington Elementary 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. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETINGS**

- A. Regular school board meeting held on May 17, 2006.

**III. SPECIAL BOARD REPORTS**

- A. Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit ..... Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer
  - Election of CLIU Board Members (**Attachment #1**)  
(**VOTING BALLOTS TO BE DISTRIBUTED AT BOARD MEETING**)
- 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.
  - Act 80 Day Grievance date change
  - Graduation Information Packet
  - Recognition of Jessica Fidler – Student Representative to the Board
- J. An executive session will be held at 7:15 in the Superintendent's office.

**IV. PERSONNEL****A. 2006-2007 Co-Curricular Appointment**

Head Boys Soccer Coach	John Sitaras*	\$4,636.35**
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*\*Pending verification of clearances.*

*\*\*Last year's rates will apply until a new Collective Bargaining Agreement is approved.*

**B. Co-Curricular Appointments for 2006-2007**

Head Boys Basketball Coach	Richard Oertner	\$6414.28*
Assistant Boys Basketball Coach	Dennis Rehrig	\$4168.66*
Assistant Boys Basketball Coach	Richard Mantz	\$4168.66*
Middle School Boys Basketball Coach	TBA	
Head Girls Basketball Coach	David Oertner	\$6,414.28*
Assistant Girls Basketball Coach	TBA	
Middle School Girls Basketball Coach	Jason Reinhard	\$4086.00*
Head Wrestling Coach	Todd Herzog	\$6414.28*
Assistant Wrestling Coach	Brent Herzog	\$4168.66*
Assistant Wrestling Coach	Robert Marlatt	\$4168.66*
Cheerleading Advisor (Shared Stipend)	Lil Borger	One Half of \$2834.61*
	Kathy Neff	One Half of \$2834.61*
Eighth Grade Academic Challenge	Kristin Skinker	\$405.84*
Elementary Scholastic Scrimmage	Marlene Simock	\$405.84*
Scholastic Scrimmage (High School)	Denise Turoscy	\$751.32*
Debate Advisor	Scott DeLong	\$1286.19*
Senior High Winter Intramural (Weightlifting)	Joe Tout	\$751.32*
Senior High Winter Intramural (Weightlifting)	Steve Hluschak	\$751.32*
Senior High Winter Intramural (Winter Track)	Mike Lehtonen	\$751.32*

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**C. Resignation**

Accept the resignation of Brian Geiger from his position as Director of Support Services effective the end of the day on August 3, 2006.

D. Approve merit increases for school administrators, as recommended by the Superintendent, for the 2005-2006 school year, to concur with the current Act 93 Administrative Compensation Plan.

E. Approve the appointment of Douglas Reynolds as the Assistant Athletic Director for the 2006-2007 school year at a stipend of \$3,500. He will assist the Athletic Director in all Athletic Director duties and responsibilities and will be responsible for athletic fund raising activities.

**V. CONFERENCES**

A. Tammy Brown – Fluency – Tim Rasinski – Sponsored by Reading Matters – August 7, 2006 – Lancaster, PA – Registration: \$144.00 – Funding: Title I (Attachment #2)

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

Approved to adopt new school board policy #246, Pupils, Student Wellness, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #3)

**B. Student Representative to the Board**

Approve Rachael Parisi as a Student Representative to the Board for the 2006-2007 school year. Rachael has been elected as the junior representative to the board and will serve from September 2006 through June 2007. Nathan Hunsicker will serve as a student representative to the board as the senior representative until June 2007.

**VII. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

A. Approve to authorize the administration to employ seven elementary teachers at a stipend of \$1,200.00 per teacher to conduct a Title I Summer Reading Camp for Title I eligible K-3 students based on teacher recommendation. The Reading Camp will be conducted in the Peters Elementary School from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Monday through Friday from July 24 through August 11, 2006. Expenses for this program will be paid for through Title I funds.

**B. Title I, Title VI, Title II & Drug-Free Schools & Communities Act – 2006-2007**

Approve to authorize proper officials to execute contracts for Title I, title VI, Title II, and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Acts for the 2006-2007 school year.

C. Approved the revised 2006-2007 Northern Lehigh School District School Calendar as presented. The March 23 in-service day was moved to April 26<sup>th</sup> to coincide with take your child to work day. (Attachment #4)

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS****IX. NEW BUSINESS****X. FINANCIAL**

A. Approve the Arthurs Lestrage Cash Management Portfolio for the month of March 2006. (Attachment #5)

**B. Lehigh Career & Technical Institute 2006-07 Budget**

The Lehigh Career & Technical Institute has approved a general fund budget for the 2006-07 school year totaling \$18,960,830 (an increase of \$1,063,870 or 5.94%) and an Academic Center budget for the 2006-07 school year totaling \$904,520 (new program). Northern Lehigh School District's portion of the 2006-07 general fund budget is \$796,761, an increase of \$24,387 or 3.16% more than the previous year. Northern Lehigh School District's portion of the 2006-07 Academic Center budget is \$28,580.88 or 3.31% proportionate share of the total budget.

C. Approve awarding of Art Supply bids for the 2006-2007 school year as presented. (Attachment #6)

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- D. Approve the 2005-2006 Northern Lehigh School District Salary Schedule as presented. (Attachment #7)
- E. Approve to renew the following expiring bonds for the 2006-2007 fiscal year through HRH Palley Simon Associates:
1. A \$50,000 Board Secretary Bond for the term of July 1, 2006 to July 1, 2007 at an annual premium of \$175.00.
  3. A \$50,000 Board Treasurer Bond for the period July 1, 2006 to July 1, 2007 at an annual premium cost of \$269.00.
- F. Award insurance coverage for the 2006-2007 school year to the following companies:
1. Commercial Package and Automobile (Vehicle Liability, General Liability, Property Insurance and Boiler and Machinery) Graphic Arts (UTICA) National Insurance Company -- \$54,812. The premium is an increase of \$2,214 over last year's rate.
  2. Commercial Umbrella Liability Insurance – Crum & Foster Insurance Company - \$13,566. The renewal is with the same company as last year and the premium is the same as 2005-2006.
  3. School Leaders Error and Omissions Liability - \$13,927 AIG-National Union. The renewal is with the same company as last year and the premium is the same as 2005-2006.
  4. Worker's Compensation Coverage – PSBA Insurance Trust/Old Republic – estimated premium of \$76,500, approximately a \$12,113 increase. This amount is an estimated total, final cost based on actual payroll figures.
- G. Authorize the following financial institutions to act as approved depositories for school district funds and or temporary investments. The Northern Lehigh School Board further authorizes the following financial institutions to transfer funds on deposit to any other bank for the credit of the Northern Lehigh School District. The Board further authorizes the Business Manager and/or Superintendent to enter into agreements, supplements or amendments to agreements to implement the foregoing operations for the 2006-2007 school year:
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| M & T Bank   | Neff's National Bank          |
| Harleysville National Bank                             | Commerce Bank of Pennsylvania |
| Susquehanna-Patriot Bank                               | Wachovia National Bank        |
| Prudential-Bache Government Securities Trust           |                               |
| Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) |                               |
- H. Appoint Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Company (HRH) Palley Simon Associates as the district insurance broker for Property, Casualty, Liability and Workers' Compensation insurance for the 2006-2007 school year.
- I. Approve to grant permission to the business office to pay construction, insurance, and utility bills that are scheduled for payment during the month of July as required by contract. There is no scheduled board meeting in July.
- J. Approve the appointment of Statewide Tax Recovery as the delinquent per capita tax collector for the 2006-2007 school year.

K. Approve to accept the agreement between Northern Lehigh School District and Slatington Borough to terminate the use of the EIT office located at 125 S. Walnut Street in Slatington. **(Attachment #8)**

L. Approve a maintenance agreement for the 2005-2006 school year with Allentown Sewing Machine Outlet. The agreement covers sewing machines located as follows:

Middle School – 12 machines at \$30.00 per machine plus parts = \$360.00

Senior High School – 26 machines at \$30.00 per machine plus parts = \$780.00

**XI. LEGAL**

**XII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**XIII. INFORMATION**

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

B. Minutes of the Washington Township Board of Supervisors meeting held on April 11, 2006.

C. Minutes of the Borough of Slatington Parks & Recreation Commission meetings held on May 15, 2006.

D. Minutes of the Lehigh Carbon Community College Board of Trustees Meeting held on May 4, 2006.

E. Receipt of Donations 2005-2006 School Year

\$1,608.00	From West Side Hammer Electric In Memory Of James Guth to purchase computer workstations in the high school library.
\$160.00	From S.H.S. Class of 1939 In Memory Of Harry Ernest, Grace Oswald, Catherine Roberts Rabuch and Eva Pugh and In Honor Of the 12 remaining 1939 class members to purchase books for the high school library.
\$5,500.00	From Peters Elementary Activity Fund (\$1,250), Slatington Elementary Activity Fund (\$1,250), Northern Lehigh Elementary PTO (\$2,500), and Lehigh County Farm Bureau (\$500) to purchase supplies for the Ag Fair held at Slatington Elementary in May.
\$2,300.00	From Northern Lehigh Educational Foundation to use to pay stipends for the Bigs & Littles Program at Peters Elementary.
\$1,025.00	From Woman's Club of Slatington (\$100), Randall & Joan Varilek (\$100), Northern Lehigh Education Foundation (\$325), Christine Stafford (\$100), Slatington Lions Club (\$100), Dr. Nicholas & Jacqueline Sham (\$100), Rotary Club of Slatington (\$100), and Eugene Mayberry (\$100) to be used for Debate Team and Scholastic Scrimmage transportation.

**XIV. BUDGET DISCUSSION****XV. ADOPTION OF 2006-2007 NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET**

- A. It is recommended that the Board of Education adopts a budget for the Northern Lehigh School District for the 2006-2007 school year in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
1. A \_\_\_\_\_ mill (or \$\_\_\_\_\_ per \$100 of assessed valuation) tax on Real Estate for Lehigh County and a \_\_\_\_\_ mill (or \$\_\_\_\_\_ per \$100 of assessed valuation) tax on Real Estate for Northampton County. An increase of \_\_\_\_\_ mills over 2005-2006.  
  
The mileage rate for Lehigh County is \_\_\_\_\_ and the mileage rate for Northampton County is \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. A \$5.00 Resident Per Capita Tax, taxable on 18 year olds and over based on Section 679 of the School Code of 1949. No change from 2005-2006.
  3. Taxes under Act 511 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 the 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 Service Tax (formerly Occupation Privilege Tax).

**RECOMMENDATION ..... That the Board of Education adopts the 2006-2007 Northern Lehigh School District Budget.**

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