

*Board members should work together in a spirit of harmony,  
respect and cooperation, despite differences of opinion.*

**NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular School Board Meeting  
Monday, June 14, 2010  
Slatington Elementary  
Board Room  
7:30 PM**



- 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. BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION**

- A. Accept the resignation of Donald H. Dengler from his position as board member effective May 17, 2010.

**III. VACANT BOARD MEMBER SEAT**

- A. Discussion, Nominations and Possible Appointment

**IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETINGS**

- A. Regular school board meeting held on May 10, 2010.

**V. SPECIAL BOARD REPORTS**

- A. Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit .....TBD
  - Nomination of CLIU Board of Directors Member - Term: July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2013
  - CLIU Election Board Member Ballots
- B. Lehigh Career and Technical Institute .....Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos
- C. Legislative Report .....Mr. Gregory S. Williams
- D. Lehigh Carbon Community College .....Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr.
- E. Committee Reports and/or Meetings
  - 1. Minutes of the Policy/Education Committee Meeting held on June 7, 2010.  
(Attachment #1)
  - 2. Minutes of the Community Relations Committee Meeting held on June 7, 2010.  
(Attachment #2)

- 3. Minutes of the Technology Buildings and Grounds Committee Meetings held on June 9, 2010. **(Attachment #3)**
- 4. Minutes of the Finance Committee Meetings held on June 9, 2010. **(Attachment #4)**
- F. Student Representatives to the Board Report .....Ms. Taylor Trapp  
Mr. Justin Molitoris
- G. Solicitor’s Report .....Attorney Charles Stopp
- H. Federal and Other Programs Update .....Mrs. Karen A. Nicholas
- I. Business Manager’s Report .....Mr. Jeremy G. Melber
- J. Superintendent’s Report .....Mr. Michael W. Michaels
  - Recognition of Taylor Trapp – Student Representative to the Board
  - Upcoming Construction Dates – Board Room
    - June 22, 2010 Bid Opening 5PM
    - June 25, 2010 Renovation Meeting 12PM
    - June 28, 2010 Special Board Meeting for awarding of construction bids
- K. An executive session will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Superintendent’s Office.

**VI. PERSONNEL**

A. Administrative Transfer

- 1. Janet Bashore
  - From: 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Peters Elementary
  - To: 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Peters Elementary replacing Diane McMullen who retired
  - Salary: No Change in Salary
  - Effective: August 30, 2010

B. Appointments – Instructional

- 1. Lauren Schuster
  - Assignment: Temporary Professional Employee  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Peters Elementary replacing Janet Bashore who was administratively transferred
  - Salary: \$42,635 (Step 2 Bachelors on the 2010-2011 CBA Salary Schedule)
  - Effective: August 30, 2010
- 2. Kelly Weiner\*
  - Assignment: Temporary Vacancy Replacement  
Special Education Teacher Peters Elementary, replacing Amanda Bashore who was granted a leave of absence
  - Salary: \$42,435 (Step 1 Bachelors on the 2010-2011 CBA Salary Schedule)
  - Effective: August 30, 2010
  - Termination Date: On or About January 26, 2011

**\*Pending Verification of Missing Documentation**

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| 3. | Elizabeth Ache*  | Temporary Professional Employee<br>High School Physics Teacher replacing Nevin Ranck<br>who retired            |
|    | Assignment:      |                                                                                                                |
|    | Salary:          | \$42,435 (Step 1 Bachelors on the 2010-2011 CBA<br>Salary Schedule)                                            |
|    | Effective:       | August 30, 2010                                                                                                |
|    |                  | <b>*Pending Verification of Missing Documentation &amp; Passing of Physics Praxis July 24, 2010</b>            |
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| 4. | Nicholas Sander* | Temporary Professional Employee<br>High School History Position – New Position<br>2010-2011 Budget             |
|    | Assignment:      |                                                                                                                |
|    | Salary:          | \$46,300 (Step 1 Bachelors + 24 on the 2010-2011 CBA<br>Salary Schedule)                                       |
|    | Effective:       | August 30, 2010                                                                                                |
|    |                  | <b>*Pending Approval of new position in the 2010-2011 Budget</b>                                               |
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| 5. | Gina Rotondo     | Temporary Professional Employee<br>High School Mathematics Teacher replacing Christopher<br>Jones who resigned |
|    | Assignment:      |                                                                                                                |
|    | Salary:          | \$42,435 (Step 1 Bachelors on the 2010-2011 CBA<br>Salary Schedule)                                            |
|    | Effective:       | August 30, 2010                                                                                                |
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| 6. | Lauren Keglovitz | Temporary Professional Employee<br>High School Spanish Teacher replacing Sandra Vajda<br>who retired           |
|    | Assignment:      |                                                                                                                |
|    | Salary:          | \$42,435 (Step 1 Bachelors on the 2010-2011 CBA<br>Salary Schedule)                                            |
|    | Effective:       | August 30, 2010                                                                                                |
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- C. Approve the appointment of Joseph Tout as Assistant Athletic Director for the 2010-2011 school year at a stipend of \$3,500.00. He will assist the Athletic Director in all Athletic Director duties and responsibilities and will be responsible for athletic fund raising activities.
- D. Resignations/Retirements
1. Accept the resignation of Jonell Dye from her position as a Personal Care Aide in the Slatington Elementary School Education effective June 18, 2010, due to educational obligations.
  2. Accept the retirement resignation of Sandra Vajda from her position as High School Spanish Teacher, effective the end of the work day, June 21, 2010. At this time she will begin her retirement from the Northern Lehigh School District after 27 years of service.
  3. Accept the retirement resignation of Nevin Ranck from his position as High School Physics Teacher, effective the end of the work day, June 21, 2010. At this time he will begin his retirement from the Northern Lehigh School District after 30 years of service.

4. Accept the retirement resignation of Arlene Glasmire from her position as High School Head Cook, effective the last day of cafeteria service in June 2011. Contract language states that cafeteria employees who have worked for the district more than 20 years and give notice to the district of retirement 12 ½ months prior to retirement date shall receive an additional \$500.00 upon retirement. Mrs. Glasmire will retire in June 2011 after 33 years of service at Northern Lehigh.
5. Accept the retirement resignation of Rebecca Croll from her position as High School Cook's Helper, effective the last day of cafeteria service in June 2011. Contract language states that cafeteria employees who have worked for the district more than 20 years and give notice to the district of retirement 12 ½ months prior to retirement date shall receive an additional \$500.00 upon retirement. Mrs. Croll will retire in June 2011 after 23 years of service at Northern Lehigh.
6. Accept the retirement resignation of Bonita Haydt from her position as Middle School Head Cook, effective the last day of cafeteria service in June 2011. Contract language states that cafeteria employees who have worked for the district more than 20 years and give notice to the district of retirement 12 ½ months prior to retirement date shall receive an additional \$500.00 upon retirement. Mrs. Haydt will retire in June 2011 after 29 years of service at Northern Lehigh.
7. Accept the retirement resignation of Elizabeth Green from her position as Middle School Cook's Helper, effective the last day of cafeteria service in June 2011. Contract language states that cafeteria employees who have worked for the district more than 20 years and give notice to the district of retirement 12 ½ months prior to retirement date shall receive an additional \$500.00 upon retirement. Mrs. Green will retire in June 2011 after 34 years of service at Northern Lehigh.

E. Family Medical Leave

1. Approve the request of employee #1260 to take a Family Medical Leave effective May 19, 2010 to care for a sick family member. She will be using her accumulated sick days in conjunction with the Family Medical Leave. She plans to return to her current teaching position upon the release of her family member from a physicians care.
2. Approve the request of employee #4370 to take a Family Medical Leave upon the birth of her first child. She will be using her accumulated 30 sick days in conjunction with the Family Medical Leave and plans to return to her current teaching position upon the exhaustion of her 30 sick days during the 2010-2011 school year.
3. Approve the request of employee #3700 to take a Family Medical Leave effective May 21, 2010. She will be using her accumulated sick days in conjunction with the Family Medical Leave and plans to return to her current teaching position upon release from her doctor.

F. Unpaid Leave Of Absence

1. Approve the request of Shawn Green, to take an unpaid day on May 28, 2010. Mr. Green has used his personal days for this year and is requesting the unpaid day to attend the PIAA State Track Championships. His daughter will be competing in the 4x100 relay. Correspondence from NLEA has stated that granting this request will not be considered as precedent setting for future requests.

2. Approve the request of Jillian Mlynek, to take 3 unpaid days October 6, 7 & 8, 2010. Miss Mlynek will be getting married on October 2, 2010 and is requesting to use her 3 personal days on October 1, 4 & 5, 2010 in conjunction with these unpaid pays to prepare for her wedding and to go on her honeymoon. Correspondence from NLEA has stated that granting this request will not be considered as precedent setting for future requests.

G. Substitutes

1. Instructional

Approve the following substitute teacher for the 2009-2010 school year at the 2009-2010 substitute teacher rates as approved on the Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule:

Thomas Battista\* – Health & Physical Education  
\*Pending verification of missing paperwork.

2. Non-Instructional

- a. Approve the following individuals as substitute secretaries/aides for the 2009-2010 school year at the 2009-2010 substitute rate as approved on the Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule:

Jonell Dye  
Shelly Pender  
Carol Snyder\*  
\*Pending verification of missing paperwork.

- b. Approve the following individuals as substitute cafeteria workers for the 2009-2010 school year at the 2009-2010 substitute rate as approved on the Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule:

Carol Snyder\*  
\*Pending verification of missing paperwork.

- c. Approve the following individuals as substitute custodians for the 2009-2010 school year at the 2009-2010 substitute rate as approved on the Supplementary Personnel Salary Schedule:

Ryan Mayberry  
Carol Snyder\*  
\*Pending verification of missing paperwork.

VII. CONFERENCES

- A. Karen Nicholas – Standards Aligned System Integration Trainer – June 13-15, 2010 – King of Prussia, PA – Travel: \$52.15, Meals: \$50.00 – Total Approximate Cost: \$102.15 – Funding: Curriculum and Instruction Budget (**Attachment #5**)
- B. Susan Bahnick – Orientation for New and Aspiring School Foodservice Directors – August 2-4, 2010 – State College, PA – Travel: \$166.67, Meals: \$120.00, Lodging: \$227.85 – Total Approximate Cost: \$514.52 – Funding: Paid for by Grant (**Attachment #6**)

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- C. Mary Kay Williamson – National Autism Conference – August 1-6, 2010 – State College, PA – Registration: \$150.00, Travel: \$170.00, Meals: \$200.00, Lodging: \$515.40 – Total Approximate Cost: \$1,035.40 – Funding: Special Education Department  
(Attachment #7)

## VIII. POLICY

### A. Board Policy – First Reading

1. Approve school board policy #217 – Pupils, Graduation Requirements, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #8)
2. Approve school board policy #614 – Finances, Payroll Authorization, as presented after first reading. (Attachment #9)

### B. Board Policy – Second Reading

1. Approve school board policy #335 – Administrative Employees, Family and Medical Leaves, as presented after second reading. (Attachment #10)
2. Approve school board policy #435 – Professional Employees, Family and Medical Leaves, as presented after second reading. (Attachment #11)
3. Approve school board policy #535 – Classified Employees, Family and Medical Leaves, as presented after second reading. (Attachment #12)
4. Approve school board policy #605 – Finances, Tax Levy, as presented after second reading. (Attachment #13)
5. Approve new school board policy #808 – Operations, Food Service, as presented after second reading. (Attachment #14)
6. Approve school board policy #808.1 – Operations, Free/Reduced-Price Meals and Free Milk, as presented after second reading. (Attachment #15)

### C. Student Representative to the Board

Approve Heather Heiney as Student Representative to the Board for the 2010-2011 school year. Heather has been appointed as the junior representative to the board and will serve from September 2010 through June 2011. Justin Molitoris will serve as the senior representative to the board until June 2011.

- D. In accordance with School Board Policy #707, approve the list of organizations and their appropriate group designation as presented by the Director of Support Services. (Attachment #16)

### E. Student-Parent Handbook Changes

Approve the changes to the Elementary School Student-Parent Handbook as presented. (Attachment #17)

F. Slatington Elementary SEECK Club

Approve the request of the Slatington Elementary administration to create a SEECK Club (Slatington Elementary Environmental Club for Kids) in the Slatington Elementary School. This club will focus on the various components of the environment, including the flora and fauna, soil, air, and water. The club will meet once a month on a Tuesday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be no cost to the district to conduct this club. **(Attachment #18)**

IX. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

A. Approve to authorize the administration to employ eight elementary teachers at a stipend of \$1,800 per teacher and one Reading Specialist Supervisor at a stipend of \$1,800, to conduct a Title I Summer Reading Camp for Title I eligible K-3 students based on data and 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 19 to August 6, 2010. Expenses for this program will be paid for through the ACT portion of the PA-Pact Grant.

B. Approve to adopt the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit's Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds by School District for submission with the 2010-2011 IDEA B, Section 611 project application, as presented. **(Attachment #19)**

C. Title I & Title IIA – 2010-2011

Approve to authorize proper officials to execute contracts for Title I and Title IIA for the 2010-2011 school year.

X. OLD BUSINESSXI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve the 2010-2014 Computer Technicians Agreement between the Northern Lehigh School District and the Northern Lehigh Computer Technician.  
**(Copies distributed to all Board Members)**

XII. FINANCIAL

A. Approve the Following Financial Reports:

1. General Fund April & May
2. NLMS Student Activities Account month of May
3. NLHS Student Activities and Scholarship Acct for the month of May

B. Approve the Following List of Bills:

1. General Fund month of May
2. Capital Reserve Fund month of May
3. Cafeteria Fund month of May
4. Athletic Fund month of May
5. Refreshment Stand Fund month of May

C. Approve the daily tuition rate of \$52.55 for the PATH PA Treatment & Healing Center, Inc. The agreement of service with them was previously approved for the 2010-2011 school year on May 10, 2010. **(Attachment #20)**

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- D. Appoint Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Company (HRH) Palley Simon Associates as the district insurance broker for Property, Casualty, Liability and Worker's Compensation insurance for the 2010-2011 school year.
- E. Approve a maintenance agreement for the 2010-2011 school year with Allentown Sewing Machine Outlet. The agreement covers sewing machines located as follows:
- Middle School – 14 machines at \$30.00 per machine plus parts and a one time \$10.00 fuel charge = \$430.00
- F. Award insurance coverage for the 2010-2011 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 - \$58,451. The premium is a decrease of \$1,193 over last year's rate.
  2. Commercial Umbrella Liability Insurance – North River Insurance Company - \$15,810.00. There is an increase of \$306 over last year's rate.
  3. School Leaders Error and Omissions Liability – National Union Fire Insurance Company - \$12,569. There is no increase over last year's rates.
  4. Workers' Compensation Coverage – School Boards Insurance Company – estimated premium of \$56,495, approximately a \$10,851 decrease. 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 2009-2010 school year.
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| First Niagra                  | Prudential-Bache Government Securities Trust           |
| Wachovia National Bank        | Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) |
| Commerce Bank of Pennsylvania |                                                        |
- H. 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.
- I. Approve the appointment of Statewide Tax Recovery as the delinquent per capita tax collector for the 2010-2011 school year.
- J. Approve Remco, Inc as a preventative maintenance service provider for the cafeteria equipment in all four buildings at a cost of \$3,965.75. There is no increase over last year.
- K. Appoint Mid-Penn Insurance Associates as the 2010-2011 Student Accident and Athletic Insurance Carriers. The renewal rate is \$7,595, an increase of \$691 over last year, to include all interscholastic sports, band and cheerleading. Voluntary school coverage is \$22.00 for the school time rate and \$88.00 for the 24-hour rate, no increase in rate from 2009-2010.



- L. Approve to renew the following expiring bonds for the 2010-2011 fiscal year through HRH Pally Simon Associates:
1. A \$50,000 Board Secretary Bond for the term of July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2011 at an annual premium of \$175.00.
  2. A \$50,000 Board Treasurer Bond for the period July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2011 at an annual premium cost of \$269.00.
- M. Upon final approval of the Proposed Final 2010-2011 Budget as presented at the April 12, 2010 board meeting, approve the lease of the following items from California First Leasing Corporation 18201 Von Karman Ave, Suite 800, Irvine CA 92612 for \$48,000.00 per year with a lease term of 36 months and a one dollar (\$1) buyout option at end of the lease agreement:
- Data Projectors for Middle School  
Laptops and Carts for Peters Elementary  
Interactive White Boards and Data Projectors for Peters Elementary
- N. School Dentist
- Approve to appoint Dr. Harry Shleifer of Professional Dental Associates as the school dentist for the 2009-2010 school year at the quoted fee of \$1.00 per dental exam needed.
- O. School Physician
- Approve to appoint Dr. Nicole Sully and Dr. Amy Steigerwalt of Parkland Family Health Center as school physicians for the 2010-2011 school year. The fee for grade level physicals will be \$20.00 per physical needed. Consultant services will be provided at no charge.
- P. Football Game Physician
- Approve to appoint OAA Orthopedic Specialists to provide football game physicians for the 2010-2011 school year at a quoted fee of \$75.00 per regular season game and \$85.00 per post-season game. There is no increase over last year's fee.
- Q. Authorize administration to purchase a new Convection, Electric, Floor Model Steamer from Singer Equipment Co. for the middle school cafeteria. Cost for this piece of equipment is \$15,072.71 (State Contract Price) and will be paid for from the Cafeteria Fund. **(Attachment #21)**
- R. Authorize administration to purchase a new Mobile Heated Cabinet from Singer Equipment Co. for the peters elementary school cafeteria. Cost for this piece of equipment is \$4,666.38 (State Contract Price) and will be paid for from the Cafeteria Fund. **(Attachment #22)**
- S. Authorize administration to contract with Miller Flooring Company, Inc. to repair, sand & refinish the high school gymnasium floor. Cost for this service is \$33,669.78 (State Contract Price) and will be paid for from the Long Range Maintenance Plan Budget. **(Attachment #23)**
- T. Authorize administration to execute an Investment Management Agreement with Baird Public Investment Advisors to provide advice and supervision of Northern Lehigh's \$11,000,000 investment portfolio. **(Attachment #24)**

- U. Authorize administration to execute an agreement with IKON for document imaging. Total approximate cost for imaging is \$23,638.70. Further authorize the purchase of FortisBlue, a program used for future document imaging and retrieval of those imaged documents. Initial total cost for FortisBlue is \$7,200 which includes the cost of 2 licenses, annual support and maintenance, initial installation, configuration and knowledge transfer. Future costs per year total \$400 for annual support and maintenance. (Attachment #25)
- V. Approve the following Homestead/Farmstead Resolution, as presented.

**NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**2010 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution**

**RESOLVED**, by the Board of School Directors of the Northern Lehigh School District, that homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate tax assessment reductions are authorized for the school year beginning July 1, 2010, under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act (part of Act 50 of 1998) and the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1 of 2006), as follows:

1. **Aggregate amount available for homestead and farmstead real estate tax reduction.** The following amounts are available for homestead and farmstead real estate tax reduction for the school year beginning July 1, 2010:
  - a. **Gambling tax funds.** The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District during the school year pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.505(b), as a property tax reduction allocation funded by gambling tax funds, the amount of \$946,002.66.
  - b. **Philadelphia tax credit reimbursement funds.** PDE has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District during the school year pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.324(3), as reimbursement for Philadelphia tax credits claimed against the School District earned income tax by School District resident taxpayers, the amount of \$3,086.17.
  - c. **Aggregate amount available.** Adding these amounts, the aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction is \$949,088.83.
2. **Homestead/farmstead numbers.** Pursuant to Act 50, 54 Pa. C.S. § 8584(i), and Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341(g)(3), the County has provided the School District with a certified report listing approved homesteads and approved farmsteads as follows:
  - a. **Homestead property number.** The number of approved homesteads within the School District is 3,871.
  - b. **Farmstead property number.** The number of approved farmsteads within the School District is 33.
  - c. **Homestead/farmstead combined number.** Adding these numbers, the aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads is 3,904.

3. **Real estate tax reduction calculation.** The school board has decided that the homestead exclusion amount and the farmstead exclusion amount shall be equal. Dividing the paragraph 1(e) aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction of \$949,088.83 by the paragraph 2(c) aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads of 3,904 (before considering the assessed value of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads having an assessed value below the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate assessed value reduction amount to be established as the homestead and farmstead exclusion amount), the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead is \$243.11. Based on calculations provided by the School District Business Office from the best available information and carefully evaluated by the School Board, considering the assessed value of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads having an assessed value below the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate assessed value reduction amount to be established as the homestead exclusion and the farmstead exclusion amount, an additional aggregate amount of \$3,790.00 will be available during the school year for real estate tax reduction applicable to approximately 3,875 homesteads and farmsteads, resulting in an additional real estate tax reduction amount available for each homestead and farmstead of \$0.89. Adding this additional amount to the preliminary calculation of the maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$243.11, the final maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead is \$244.00.
4. **Homestead exclusion calculation.** Dividing the paragraph 3 maximum real estate tax reduction amount of \$244.00 by the School District real estate tax rate of 64.373 mills (.064373), the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a homestead exclusion for each approved homestead is \$3,790.00, and the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a farmstead exclusion for each approved farmstead is \$3,790.00.
5. **Homestead/farmstead exclusion authorization – July 1 tax bills.** The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved homestead within the School District shall reflect a homestead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the homestead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$3,790.00. The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved farmstead within the School District shall reflect an additional farmstead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the farmstead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of \$3,790.00. For purposes of this Resolution, “approved homestead” and “approved farmstead” shall mean homesteads and farmsteads listed in the report referred to in paragraph 2 above and received by the School District from the County Assessment Office on or before May 1 pursuant to Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341(g)(3), based on homestead/farmstead applications filed with the County Assessment Office on or before March 1. This paragraph 5 will apply to tax notices issued based on the initial tax duplicate used in issuing initial real estate tax notices for the school year, which will be issued on or promptly after July 1, and will not apply to interim real estate tax bills.

**XIV. CORRESPONDENCE****XV. INFORMATION**

- A. Minutes of the Lehigh Carbon Community College Board of Trustees meeting held on April 1, 2010 and May 6, 2010.
- B. Minutes of the Lehigh Career & Technical Institute Joint Operating Committee meeting held on April 28, 2010.
- C. Minutes of the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit 21 Board of Directors meeting held on April 19, 2010 and Special Meeting May 12, 2010.

**XVI. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS****XVII. ADOPTION OF 2010-2011 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 2010-2011 school year in the amount of \$29,574,314.16.
  - 1. A 64.373 mill (or \$6.4373 per \$100 of assessed valuation) tax on Real Estate for both Lehigh and Northampton Counties. An increase of 1.5 mills over 2009-2010.
  - 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 2009-2010.
  - 3. Taxes under Act 511 with no changes from 2009-2010:
    - a. A 1% Earned Income Tax shared equally with coterminous municipalities.
    - b. A Realty Transfer Tax shared equally with the coterminous municipalities.
    - c. A \$5.00 Resident Per Capita Tax taxable on residents age 18 and over.
    - d. A \$5.00 Local Service Tax (formerly Emergency and Municipal Services Tax)

**RECOMMENDATION ..... That the Board of Education adopts the 2010-2011 Northern Lehigh School District Budget.**

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**