

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LANCASTER SCHOOL BOARD
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Regular Meeting
October 20, 2009

The School District of Lancaster School Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at J.P. McCaskey High School, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The following members of the Board answered roll call:

Mr. Patrick Snyder, President
Mr. Michael Rowen, Vice President
Mrs. Barbara Boben
Mrs. Marta Howell
Mrs. Stacey Marten
Mrs. Jacqueline McCain
Dr. Nenita Faller-Miller
Mrs. Linda Troublefield Owens
Ms. Janelle M. Simms

Officers: Mr. Pedro Rivera, Superintendent
Mr. Matt Przywara, Treasurer
Mrs. Rita Balogh, Secretary

Legal Counsel: Mr. Robert Frankhouser, Solicitor

Student Board Representative: Miss Alvia Urdaneta

10/20/2009: CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President Snyder. Roll call was answered by: *Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, Simms and Snyder – 9; Absent – 0.* The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison. A moment of silence was observed in memory of former District employees Margaret Duke, Joseph Habecker, Jr., Myra Ruoss, and Thelma Ruth Shoenberger.

10/20/2009: ADDENDUMS AND CORRECTIONS: Director Howell made a motion for a change to the Personnel Recommendations Addendum to correct the title of Director for Student Services to Acting Director for Student Services. Following a second by Director McCain, the motion was approved in a unanimous voice vote.

10/20/2009: APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The amended agenda was approved in a unanimous voice vote on a motion by Director Rowen, which was seconded by Director Marten.

10/20/2009: SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

We have lots of reasons to celebrate and some thanks to extend from the District. First, we’d like to thank our parents and community members who contributed food, time, and decorations for our Football Friday. We have one of the best locations to host that event, and it wouldn’t be possible without some great community support and parents really stepping up, so we thank all those who contributed.

CALL TO ORDER

**ADDENDUMS AND
CORRECTIONS**

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

**SUPERINTENDENT’S
REPORT**

Thanks to the Rotary Club of Lancaster for their chicken barbecue fundraiser on October 10 to benefit the district. Volunteers prepared almost 2,000 chicken dinners, and I can attest that this was a most delicious fundraiser!

Congratulations to Fulton Elementary School Principal, Matt Stem, for his recent receipt of the Albright Award by Victory Church. The award was presented in a Remembrance Service to honor the memory of those lost on September 11, 2001, and is given to an individual whose life exemplifies humble heroic service to others. On behalf of the Board and the District, I would also like to present a commendation to Mr. Stem.

It also gives me great pleasure to present a second commendation this month to Burrowes Elementary music teacher, Heidi Shannon for her exceptional work in bringing music to children. Heidi was selected for the Music For Everyone's first annual "MFE Award" to honor individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary efforts to cultivate the power of music in Lancaster County.

A little later this evening Fran Rodriguez will present details of the upcoming Lancaster Latino Education Forum on October 24. Last year's program was a resounding success, and I would like to encourage staff and community attendance and support of this year's event.

Under the District's new free breakfast and lunch program nearly 6,000 more breakfasts and almost 4,000 more lunches were served in the month of September.

Schools will be closed for students on Monday and Tuesday, November 1 and 2 for professional staff development.

Capital Improvement Plan Update:

We would like to acknowledge our appreciation to Charter Homes for permitting the use of their property near Ross Elementary for staff and contractor parking and material storage.

10/20/2009: STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

Middle School Report:

In Reynolds, history was made as they had the biggest turnout of parents and family members on its Back to School Night on September 23rd. The students and faculty celebrated coming back to school with a dance on the 25th of September. Eighth grade students were given the wonderful opportunity to take a field trip to the Constitution Center in Philadelphia on October 15th. There they were able to participate in hands-on learning activities that aligned with the eighth grade social studies curriculum, visited the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall. This was made possible as a result of a grant written by eighth grade social studies teachers Maureen Vogel from Reynolds and Abby Lavery from Hand.

Wheatland's cheerleaders are promoting our community and school spirit by sponsoring a student bus to an evening football game on October 22. They are also partnering with the Hamilton Arms retirement home and will work with the residents to make holiday crafts and cookies.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT (cont.)**

**STUDENT BOARD
REPRESENTATIVE
REPORT**

High School Report:

Approximately 1400 sophomores and juniors took the PSATs for free, giving us a head start on preparing for college. This is not done in all of the school districts, and we are very fortunate to have this opportunity in ours. Over 400 freshmen took the GRADE assessment on the same day.

The Seniors had their class meeting on all of the various things that they all need to do in order to graduate and be successful in college. This was then followed up with a Senior parent meeting on the same college and graduation issues.

Spirit Week began this past Monday in order to build up the McCaskey pride for this year's Homecoming game on Friday. The "Alice in Wonderland: Through the Looking Glass" dance theme has all of the students excited for all of the activities this week. The penny wars, spirit competition, class wars, and Homecoming king and queen competitions have everyone proud to be McCaskey students.

The marching band continues to perform its amazing "Santana" show with exhibitions and performances at the football games. It was to our disappointment that in the last competition when the band exhibited at Catholic High School (even though it was pouring rain), the newspaper in Lancaster City failed to mention our participation, even though all other participating bands were mentioned.

The Art Department has been displaying student art work in the downtown gallery Building Character.

The Theater Department continues with practices for the fall play, *You Can't Take It With You*.

10/20/2009: PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Dave Calender, E. Clay St., encouraged centralized school library budgets. The current system does not provide fair or adequate funding.

Susan Grimm McCoy, E. Orange St., in echoing Mr. Calender's concerns, added the average cost of a library book is \$21.36, but the average allocations for schools is \$5.23. Ms. McCoy stressed the importance of reading and encouraged the district to invest in the basic tool of books.

Superintendent Rivera stated that although the administration was not prepared to respond to this issue tonight, the funding was reviewed last year. Money was set aside for each of the schools, and the district sought grant money to supplement those allocations.

Kim Lutz represented her parents who reside on Atkins Ave. and their concerns about the possible change in lease of land with Lancaster Township to allow construction of an emergency services center. She would like to see open spaces preserved. She showed a picture of the open space and submitted a petition signed by neighbors. Director McCain questioned if she had spoken with the Township about their concerns, and Ms. Lutz stated she wants the community involved upfront.

**STUDENT BOARD
REPRESENTATIVE
REPORT (cont.)**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ben Stigelman, South President Ave., stated he complained at a Township meeting in 1990 about the use of the same land for housing and that it is the "will of the people" to keep it in park land. He argued the Township has only about half the open space it should have according to the Lancaster County Planning Commission.

Cheryl Bard, Atkins Ave., spoke in opposition to the emergency management center in "our field." Where was the public notification?

Steve Hohenwater of Quarry Ln., commended the Boys' Varsity Soccer team for qualifying for Districts, even though they don't have enough players for a JV team. He questioned the accelerated math classes in the I.B. programs and the lack of communication with the Office of Teaching and Learning, the administration, and the teachers regarding textbook orders.

Gail Scott, wife of Mr. Hohenwater, also commented on a disconnect with OTL and teachers and the need to improve communication. The textbook approval process is too rigid, and she urged the Superintendent to override the process and order the textbooks needed from Australia.

Superintendent Rivera stated that through the School Board's Education Committee the subjects to be offered at the high school and the corresponding textbooks must be approved. This year textbooks were ordered which had not been approved, and we had to go back to order the correct textbooks. The process works when it is followed.

Anna Smith, Springhouse Rd., stated the Facilities Committee now meets twice a month and compared the consideration of a K-8 structure at Martin Elementary School as another example of a decision being made without community or staff input. She also observed that it would be nice if everyone came to talk about education of kids instead of a piece of land.

Bob Dettry of Birch Ave. in New Providence spoke in support of his daughter, Tracy, about situations with the cheerleader coach and athletic director which has become a legal issue.

A high school student addressed the issue of traffic around the schools at dismissal time and cited the occurrence of several accidents, urging the district to take corrective action.

Superintendent Rivera stated the district just ran a traffic study and will soon be making some recommendations about Reservoir Street and the surrounding area. The process is time consuming, and it is taking longer than we would like.

Elizabeth Kresge Paul, Atkins Ave., cited safety concerns on Atkins Avenue with traffic from the potential new emergency center. Running any emergency vehicles on the narrow street and in this area is terrifying.

A cheerleader who spoke last month stated there has been a slight improvement, but there is still a lot of animosity. It is frustrating to hear about parent complaints at every practice. Can't we focus on positives?

PUBLIC COMMENTS
(cont.)

As a follow up to those remarks, another cheerleader stated the cheerleaders and coaches should all be able to work together and should be able to speak openly with each other.

Superintendent Rivera asked Jonathan Mitchell, Athletic Director, to speak with the two student speakers to document their concerns and report the resolutions to the Board.

Beverly Richardson, Waterford Ct., noted the Superintendent's report for October did not mention the JV cheerleading squad participated and finished first in the Puerto Rican parade. Also missing in the August report was that the JV coach received an award at Millersville. She expressed concerns about confidentiality and the method of reporting of public comments in meeting minutes. Parents advocating for their children have that right. Thanks to everyone who helped with Football Friday. The Superintendent didn't return her calls, and the athletic director didn't respond to her e-mail.

Michael Hillegass, Atkins Ave., stated Lancaster Township residents don't trust the school board. Residents were told twenty years ago that the park land was dedicated to remain in perpetuity.

Larry Hudson, father of a senior varsity cheerleader, spoke on behalf of the coach. Parent complaints have caused turnover in previous coaches. Perhaps the problem is not with the coaches but with the parents. His family has had wonderful experiences with cheerleading.

Kelli Nachbar, Sixth St., has visited the Lancaster Community Park at least three times a week for fifteen years. She spoke on the wildlife in the area and begged that it not be taken away from her.

Tracy Dettry, E. Walnut St., stated there are just as many unhappy parents and cheerleaders as happy ones, but most are afraid to speak up for fear of retaliation. Why are my daughter's concerns being brought up at practices? They have filed two HRC complaints against the district.

A cheerleader stated the feud needs to stop between cheerleaders, coaches, administrators, and parents. These meetings shouldn't be about cheerleading and the problems going on with us.

Denise Hull, Mill Pond Dr., is disgusted that with all the more serious problems that are in the schools that the focus is on cheerleaders. If all you want to do is complain, then don't participate.

Diane Heberlein, Atkins Ave., stated most residents are not in favor of losing the community park land. She noted safety concerns with emergency vehicles going the wrong way on one-way Atkins Avenue and with parents dropping off kids for practices at the athletic fields.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
(cont.)

A member of the JV cheerleading squad noted their squad's community service which included pink ribbons and shoelaces for breast cancer awareness.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
(cont.)

Wilda Anthony, Springhouse Rd., encouraged anyone with cheerleading issues to find something else in their life beyond the booster club and cheerleading.

Tabatha Hernandez, N. Lime St., stated the co-curricular activities program run by the district is discriminatory and cheerleaders are treated like second-class citizens compared to other sports. She spoke in the past on confidentiality and stated the coach shouldn't be talking about other cheerleaders.

10/20/2009: CONSENT AGENDA: Director Marten made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items (1) through (5) as follows:

CONSENT AGENDA

- (1) Approval of Minutes: September 15, 2009 Regular Meeting
- (2) Personnel Recommendations
- (3) Approval of Judiciary Report
- (4) Approval of Board Policy Revision:
111 Lesson Plans and Syllabus Guide
- (5) Modifications to Assistant Superintendent's Contract Pending PSERS Approval

Minutes
Personnel Recommendations
Judiciary Report
Approval of Board Policy Revision
Modifications to Assistant Superintendent's Contract

Director Rowen seconded the motion, which was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 9; Nay – 0.

10/20/2009: EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Director Miller noted a correction on Page 2 of the agenda. The Education Committee also met on October 5, 2009, and the meeting minutes for approval reflect all three dates for the month, October 5, 8, and 15. School Improvement Plans (SIPs) were presented and discussed at all three meetings. Director Miller announced that for those who were interested, a CD with all the plans is available through the administration. Superintendent Rivera and Dr. Arthur Abrom, Coordinator of School Improvement and Federal Programs added the plans will be added to the district website after they are approved.

Director Howell left the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Director Miller's motion to approve the minutes for October 5, 8, and 15 was seconded by Director Simms and approved as followed: *Aye: Directors Boben, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 8; Nay – 0.*

Minutes

The following Grant Updates on the Education Agenda are informational items:

Grant Updates

1. Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) – Collection Development for Hand Middle School
2. Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) – Collection Development for Lincoln Middle School
3. Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) – Collection Development for McCaskey Campus
4. Get Active! For Hand Middle School
5. Get Active! For Reynolds Middle School

6. Get Active! For J.P. McCaskey

EDUCATION
COMMITTEE (cont.)

Director Miller made a motion to approve the following agenda items under the Education Committee Report and Recommendations:

C. Permission to Accept:

Permission to Accept

1. Science-Based Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program in the amount of \$6,000.00
2. Youth Literacy Grant in the amount of \$3,000.00

D. Contracts/Agreements

Contracts/Agreements

1. Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH) – not to exceed \$3,500.00
2. Performance Fact, Inc. – not to exceed \$10,504.00
3. Peter Van Buskirk – not to exceed \$3,000.00
4. Pressley Ridge – not to exceed \$44,000.00
5. Spanish American Civic Association (SACA) – not to exceed \$44,000.00
6. Urban League of Lancaster County – not to exceed \$43,000.00
7. Felixia Valladares de Kunkle – master agreement
8. School Success, LLC – not to exceed \$27,000.00

F. Supplemental Education Services (SES) Agreements

SES Agreements

1. A+ Plus Grades Up
2. Learner First
3. Stay On Top Tutoring Services, Inc.
4. Tutorial Services

G. Approval of School Improvement Plans:

School Improvement
Plans

1. King Elementary School – Making Progress Corrective Action II
2. Price Elementary School – Corrective Action I
3. Ross Elementary School – Corrective Action II
4. Washington Elementary School – Corrective Action II
5. Hand Middle School – Corrective Action II
6. Lincoln Middle School – Making Progress School Improvement I
7. Reynolds Middle School – Corrective Action II
8. Wheatland Middle School – Corrective Action II
9. McCaskey Campus – Corrective Action II
10. Phoenix Academy (Does not have its own status; student scores are sent back to home school)
11. Camelot at Buehrle (Does not have its own status; student scores are sent back to home school)

The motion was seconded by Director Marten and approved as follows: *Aye: Directors Boben, Marten, McCain, Miller, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 7; Nay – Director Owens – 1.*

Director Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Director Marten, to approve the following agenda item under Education Committee Report and Recommendation:

Extended Day Enrichment
Programs Contracts

E. Extended Day Enrichment Programs Contracts/Agreements:

1. Abandoned Lyrics

The motion carried by the following vote: *Aye: Directors Boben, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 8; Nay – 0.*

Director Marten seconded Director Miller's motion to approve the final Extended Day Enrichment Programs Contract/Agreement:

2. Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13

Approval of the motion was as follows: *Aye: Directors Boben, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, and Snyder – 7; Nay – 0; Recuse: Director Simms – 1.*

Director Howell returned to the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Fran Rodriguez, Co-Chair of the Lancaster Latino Committee detailed their upcoming Education Forum and encouraged the community and Board to attend. The 2nd annual forum will take place at McCaskey East on Saturday, October 24. She noted that she was impressed with the student participation at tonight's Board meeting, regardless of the topic. Among their committee's goals is to empower students to benefit the greater community, not just the Latino community.

Director Marten said she was very impressed with the program last year, especially the work teachers did with students.

10/20/2009: FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMEN-

DATIONS: President Snyder's initial motion to approve agenda items from the Finance Committee Report and Recommendations was amended to include only the following items:

- A. Approval of Minutes: October 13, 2009 Committee Meeting
- B. Contracts/Agreements:
 - 1. Trane – not to exceed \$522,516 over ten years
 - 2. ELA Group, Inc. – not to exceed \$4,120.00
 - 3. Lancaster Recreation Commission - Agreement to Provide Food Services
- C. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports
- D. Approval of Health Care Contribution Rates for 2010

Director McCain seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: *Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 9; Nay – 0.*

A motion to approve the remaining Finance Contract/Agreement was made by President Snyder and seconded by Director Rowen:

- B. Contract/Agreement:
 - 4. Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13 – Agreement to Provide Food Services

The motion carried by the following vote: *Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, and Snyder – 8; Nay – 0; Recuse: Director Simms – 1.*

President Snyder asked Matt Przywara, Chief Financial Officer, to comment on the proposed Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau Budget for 2010. Mr. Przywara explained the impact of the recent Act 32 legislation requiring the establishment of a county-wide tax collection agency. He expressed concerns that the current LCTCB may not exist in a year or two, and noted the high expenses of staff and software with associated legacy costs. The Administration does not support approval of this item.

**EDUCATION
COMMITTEE (cont.)**
Extended Day Enrichment
Programs Contracts (cont.)

Lancaster Latino
Education Forum

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Minutes
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Financial Reports
Health Care Contribution
Rates

Contract/Agreement

Lancaster County Tax
Collection Bureau Budget
for 2010

President Snyder stated the budget probably will be approved by the majority of the remainder of the school districts and municipalities, and Mr. Przywara confirmed the school districts that presently comprise the board of LCTCB have approved the budget. When questioned, Mr. Frankhouser explained that if the Board takes no action on the proposed budget, it is not the same as a vote “no.”

Director Howell made a motion to reject the proposed LCTCB Budget for 2010. Following a second by Director Boben, the Board voted to reject the proposed LCTCB budget by the following vote: *Aye: Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 9; Nay – 0.* President Snyder noted he did not make the motion because he serves on the LCTCB Board.

10/20/2009: EXTRA-CURRICULAR COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Director Owens reviewed the minutes of the September 14 and October 12 committee meetings and made a motion to approve them. Following a second by Director Rowen, the minutes were approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Director Miller suggested the issues with cheerleaders and the Booster Club should go to a committee first since the time during a regular Board meeting is precious.

Director Rowen added that at the committee level the Board is more engaged with back and forth discussions.

Director Owens stated we need to have a process and guidelines in place. There is a difference between not being heard and not hearing what you wish to hear.

Superintendent Rivera suggested the administration do some groundwork for a discussion at the next committee meeting.

Mrs. Beverly Richardson said that after Director Owens took over the committee, she no longer wanted to hear the issues.

Director Owens responded the committee won't talk about hot chocolate and other issues that don't involve children. The Board's time is too precious.

Mr. Steve Hohenwater commented that people are shut out if items are not on an agenda and are put off another month.

President Snyder reminded everyone that the “real work” is done at the committee level and recommendations are made, but there are no decisions or votes taken at committee meetings.

10/20/2009: FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Director Rowen announced the next meeting of the Facilities Committee will be tomorrow evening at Scheffey Board Room. The Lancaster Township land issue can be discussed there. He reviewed minutes of the committee meetings of September 16 and October 7 and emphasized the discussion/action item on tonight's agenda is only to enter into negotiations with Lancaster Township; it is not to approve a change to the lease. His motion to approve the meeting minutes was seconded by

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
REPORT (cont.)**

Lancaster County Tax
Collection Bureau Budget
for 2010 (cont.)

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR
COMMITTEE
REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATIONS
Minutes**

**FACILITIES
COMMITTEE
REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATIONS
Minutes**

Director Howell and approved in a unanimous roll call vote.

Director Howell commented Lancaster Township should be seeking public input and “get their ducks in a row” before they come to us asking for a change in the lease.

Solicitor Frankhouser, who authored the resolution, emphasized the Township is asking if the School Board would consider a change to the lease. Most of tonight’s public comments dealt with land planning and land development issues that must be addressed by the Township; the School Board does not make land use decisions. Approval of the resolution does not necessarily conclude with an amendment to the current land lease.

Director Owens asked if we are guaranteed Lancaster Township will have conversations with their residents.

Mr. Bill Laudien, Lancaster Township Manager, stated he and the Township Supervisors have shared many of the concerns. The area was selected to specifically minimize the impact on the surrounding neighborhoods. They welcome public participation, but the Township can’t move forward until they first know if the land is available. They are legally bound to seek public input for items such as storm water management, etc.

Director Rowen’s motion to approve the following resolution was seconded by Director Boben:

Resolution

WHEREAS, the School District of Lancaster (“School District”) owns certain real estate located in Lancaster Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania known as the “Millersville Pike Property;”

WHEREAS, Lancaster Township (“Township”) wishes to lease a portion of the Millersville Pike Property to construct a facility to be known as the Emergency Services Center;

WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors of the School District is willing to make a portion of the Millersville Pike Property for which there is no public school need in the foreseeable future available to the Township for the construction of the Emergency Services Center.

BE RESOLVED that, this 20th day of October, 2009, the Board of Directors of the School District of Lancaster takes the following actions:

1. The Board of School Directors approves the concept of leasing, on a long-term basis, a portion of the Millersville Pike Property to Lancaster Township for the construction of an emergency services facility;
2. The Township shall be responsible for initiating and completing all required aspects of the land planning and development process required by law;
3. The athletic facilities currently on a portion of the Millersville Pike Property shall be relocated by the Township at the Township’s expense to a mutually acceptable location elsewhere on the Millersville Pike Property subject to an agreement of the parties;
4. The Administration and Solicitor of the School District of

**FACILITIES
COMMITTEE (cont.)**

Resolution to negotiate an amendment to lease of land to Lancaster Township

Lancaster are hereby directed to cooperate with the Township, and its officials, and to develop documents to effectuate the transactions described above that is mutually acceptable to the Board of Supervisors of the Township and the Board of School Directors of the School District;

5. The transactions identified above shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the Township and the Board of School Directors of the School District.

The motion to approve the resolution was approved as follows: *Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Rowen, and Snyder – 7; Nay – 0. Abstain: Directors Owens and Simms – 2.*

10/20/2009: DISCUSSION: None

10/20/2009: DISCUSSION/ACTION: President Snyder made a motion to approve all payments/invoice listings except for the following which are removed for separate votes: #00314753 for Lancaster County CTC; #00314754, 00314755, and 00007963 for Lancaster County; #00314760, 00314761, and WIU13911 for Lancaster Lebanon IU 13; #0WSES918 and WSTS0926 for Substitute Teacher Service; #00314624 and 00007956 for Franklin & Marshall; and #00314973 for Thaddeus Stevens. Following Director Howell's second of the motion, the remaining payments/invoice listings were approved as follows: *Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 9; Nay – 0.*

On a motion by Director Snyder, seconded by Director Rowen, payments #00314753 for Lancaster County CTC; #00314754, 00314755, and 00007963 for Lancaster County; #00314760, 00314761, and WIU13911 for Lancaster Lebanon IU 13; #0WSES918 and WSTS0926 for Substitute Teacher Service were approved as follows: *Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Rowen, and Snyder – 8; Nay – 0; Recuse: Director Simms – 1.*

A motion was made by President Snyder to approve payments #00314624 and 00007956 for Franklin & Marshall. The motion was seconded by Director Rowen and approved as follows: *Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Rowen, Simms, and Snyder – 8; Nay – 0; Recuse: Director Owens – 1.*

Following a second by Director Howell, President Snyder's motion to approve payment #00314973 for Thaddeus Stevens was approved as follows: *Aye: Directors Boben, Howell, Marten, McCain, Miller, Owens, Simms, and Snyder – 8; Nay – 0; Recuse: Director Rowen – 1.*

10/20/2009: REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

Director Howell distributed the newsletter and a report on collaborative efforts with school districts, including the School District of Lancaster. The IU will present an orientation for all new school board members in January. The annual holiday student bazaar will be held at the IU on Thursday, December 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE (cont.)

Resolution to negotiate an amendment to lease of land to Lancaster Township (cont.)

DISCUSSION

DISCUSSION/ACTION

Approval of Payments (Invoice Listings)

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

IU 13

Director Rowen reported the LCCTC Joint Operation Committee is looking at their facilities. He announced that he will be the new President and Superintendent Rivera is the new LCCTC Superintendent of Record.

**REPRESENTATIVE
REPORTS (cont.)
LCCTC**

Director Boben had nothing to report for the Lancaster Recreation Commission Board.

Lancaster Recreation
Commission

10/20/2009: OLD BUSINESS: Mrs. Beverly Richardson commented she has contacted Dwight Nolt, Principal of J.P. McCaskey, to ask about the maximum number of students in a classroom. Some classes have 33 students. What is the legal cap?

OLD BUSINESS

Superintendent Rivera responded that he has walked both buildings numerous times, but he will review the numbers. His ideal cap is 28-29 students, but there are some extreme needs. There should be no less than ten students at the minimum.

Mrs. Richardson also spoke on behalf of the Cheer Booster Club. Fundraisers are one of the positive things they do. You need to separate concerns of the Booster Club with other concerns. It is not a private club.

10/20/2009: NEW BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

10/20/2009: INFORMATION:

President Snyder acknowledged the donation to the district of a violin from Berwood Yost.

INFORMATION

10/20/2009: ADJOURNMENT: Director Miller's motion to adjourn was seconded by Director McCain and approved by a unanimous voice vote. President Snyder adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

Rita Balogh
Board Secretary