

**EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REORGANIZATION MEETING & SPECIAL MEETING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES
DECEMBER 5, 2005
J. T. Lambert Intermediate School - Auditorium
5:00 p.m.**

Minutes

- I. President Cole called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Presentation of Certificates of Election --Rebecca Craggs, Solicitor
- III. Oath of Office- Honorable Linda Wallach Miller

Board Members sworn into office were: Robert Gress, Keith Karkut, Donald Motts and William Zacharias.
- IV. Secretary Patricia Rosado called the roll.
Members present were: Christopher Baj, Horace Cole, Robert Gress, Keith Karkut, Donald Motts, Michal Peterson, William Searfoss, and William Zacharias. Bet Hays was absent
- V. School Personnel Present: Douglas Arnold, David Baker, Patricia Baughman, John Burrus, Michelle Carhart, Richard Carty, Marialena Casciotta, Irene Duggins, Eric Forsyth, Marie S. Guidry, Dr. Rachael R. Heath, Kim Holcomb, Lynda Hopkins, Vikki Karkut, Gail Kulick, Sharon Laverdure, Irene Livingston, Deanna Mayers, Araina Maynard, Patricia Mulroy, Greg Naudascher, Lois Palio, Annelle Prefontaine, Patricia Rosado, Jim Shearouse, Mike Silvoy, Kim Stevens, and Steve Zall. Also present was Becky Craggs, Solicitor.

Media Guests present: Cheryl Gredlein-Pocono Record
- VI. Community members present: Anna Marie Fumount, Henry Fumount, Ginger Garbarino, Chip Wukitsch

Others present: Mark A. Boettcher, Site Tech Inc., Paul Canevari, PPL, Bud Newton, Newton Engineering.
- VII. APPROVAL -- LIST OF ELECTED AND CERTIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Christopher Baj to approve the list of elected and certified School Board Members. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried unanimously, 8-0.

NAME	TERM ENDS	ADDRESS
Christopher Baj	2007	P. O. Box 464, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
Horace Cole	2007	288 Marguerite Street, East Stroudsburg PA 18301
Robert Gress	2009	36 Lions Street, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
Bet Hays	2007	128 Berwick Heights Road, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
Keith Karkut	2009	4 South Marguerite Street, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
Donald Motts	2009	280 Smith Street, East Stroudsburg PA 18301
Michal Peterson	2007	P. O. Box 187, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
William Searfoss	2007	154 East Broad Street, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
William Zacharias	2009	468 North Courtland Street, East Stroudsburg PA 18301

VIII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Christopher Baj to approve agenda for this meeting, as submitted. Motion was seconded by Donald Motts and carried unanimously, 8-0.

IX. ELECTION OF TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Donald Motts to elect Christopher Baj as Temporary President of the East Stroudsburg Area School District Board of Education to preside over the election of officers. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried unanimously, 8-0.

X. ELECTION – PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by William Searfoss to elect Horace Cole as President of the East Stroudsburg Area School District Board of Education for a one-year term ending with the next reorganization meeting of the School Board in December 2006. Motion was seconded by Donald Motts and carried unanimously, 8-0.

XI. ELECTION -- VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Christopher Baj to elect Donald Motts as Vice President of the East Stroudsburg Area School District Board of Education for a one-year term ending with the next reorganization meeting of the School Board in December 2006. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried unanimously, 8-0.

XII. SCHEDULE OF DATE, TIMES & PLACE – 2006 REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Donald Motts to approve the dates and times of the regular meetings of the East Stroudsburg Area School District Board of Education. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried, 7-1. Robert Gress voted no.

January 23, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
February 27, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
March 20, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
April 24, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
May 15, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. I. Lambert Intermediate School
June 26, 2006	--	7:30 PM — I. T. Lambert Intermediate School
July 17, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
August 21, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
September 18, 2006	--	7:30PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
October 16, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School
November 20, 2006	--	7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School

December 4, 2006 -- 5:00 PM - Reorganization and Regular Meeting — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School

December 18, 2006 -- 7:30 PM — J. T. Lambert Intermediate School

XIII. ELECTION—MONROE CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by William Searfoss to appoint Keith Karkut to membership for the term of December 2005-December 2008 and Christopher Baj to membership for the term of December 2005 thru December 2006. Motion was seconded by William Zacharias and carried unanimously, 8-0.

Present Members: Robert Huffman Current Term Expires December 2006
Horace Cole.....Current Term Expires December 2008
Patrick Forney.....Current Term Expires December 2008

XIV. ELECTION—MONROE CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE – ALTERNATES

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Donald Motts to appoint Michal Peterson and Robert Gress as alternate members to serve on the Monroe Career & Technical Institute School Joint Operating Committee. Motion was seconded by William Zacharias and carried unanimously, 8-0.

Present Members: Michal Peterson and Christopher Baj

XV. APPOINTMENT – PSBA REPRESENTATIVE

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Donald Motts to appoint William Zacharias as 2006 Pennsylvania School Boards Association Representative. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried unanimously, 8-0.

Present Chairperson: Patrick W. Forney

XVI. APPOINTMENT – PSBA LEGISLATIVE CHAIRPERSON

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Donald Motts to appoint Christopher Baj as 2006 Pennsylvania School Boards Association Legislative Chairperson. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried unanimously, 8-0.

Present Chairperson: Christopher Baj

XVII. APPOINTMENT – PSBA EMPLOYEE RELATIONS CONTACT

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by William Zacharias to appoint Rachael R. Heath as 2006 Pennsylvania School Boards Association Employee Relations Contact. Motion was seconded by Donald Motts and carried unanimously, 8-0.

Present Chairperson: Dr. Rachael R. Heath

XVIII. ELECTION -- MONROE CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE SCHOOL AUTHORITY

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Horace Cole to table this motion to appoint _____ to fill the term of _____ beginning January 2006 and expiring December 2009. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and tabled unanimously, 8-0.

Present Members: Steve LastraCurrent term expires December 2005.
Mark Lichty..... Current term expires December 2006.

XIX. ELECTION – EAST STROUDSBURG AREA JOINT SCHOOL AUTHORITY MEMBERS

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Donald Motts to approve the membership of the East Stroudsburg Area Joint School Authority members listed below with one vacancy. The term will expire December 2010, (five years). Motion was seconded by Christopher Baj and carried unanimously, 8-0.

- 1) Ginger Garbarino Current Term Expires - December 2007
17 Franklin Hill Road
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
- 2) William Pinkowski Current Term Expires - December 2008
63 Briarleigh Drive
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
- 3) Roland Featherman Current Term Expires - December 2008
259 East Broad Street
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
- 4) Lawrence Zaccaro Current Term Expires - December 2007
73 Ransberry Avenue
East Stroudsburg PA 18301
- 5) Steve Lastra Current Term Expires - December 2009
78 Saw Creek Estates
Bushkill PA 18324
- 6) Current Term Expires - December 2010
- 7) James Andrews Current Term Expires - December 2006
261 East Broad Street
East Stroudsburg PA 18301

XX. APPOINTMENT TO THE COLONIAL I.U. #20 BOARD

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Robert Gress to appoint Michal Peterson to fill the term of Robert Huffman beginning December 2005 and expiring December 2007. Motion was seconded by Keith Karkut and carried unanimously, 8-0.

Present Member. Robert Huffman — 2007

XXI. FISCAL ITEMS

A. Agreement with PPL

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Christopher Baj that the Board enter into a partnership agreement with PPL for the stream bank stabilization of the Walker property as set forth in the November 14, 2005 correspondence and enclosures from SITE TECH, INC. This will result in PPL being responsible for engineering fees and for payment of \$275,000.00 toward the total estimated cost of \$883,374.00 with the District's share being \$608,374.00. To the extent that this expenditure is determined to be an emergency under Section 751 of the School Code, the officers and agents of the District are authorized and directed to request approval from the Department of Education. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss. A second motion was made by William Searfoss to table the motion. Second motion was seconded by Christopher Baj and tabled unanimously, 8-0.

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B. High School South Project Payment

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by Christopher Baj that, with regard to the High School South Project, the Board authorize a payment or contribution to the Borough of East Stroudsburg of fifty (50%) percent of the cost of installation of traffic signals at the intersection of East Broad Street, West Broad Street and North Courtland Street, estimated at \$75,000.00. The Solicitor is authorized and directed to notify the Borough of this action and to prepare an appropriate agreement between the District and the Borough evidencing this action for execution by the District officers. Motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried unanimously, 8-0.

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C. High School South Project Plan Revisions

ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Motion was made by William Zacharias that, with regard to the High School South Project: the Board direct its architect and/or engineers to revise its plans to provide for the installation of conduit for a future traffic light at the intersection of Maple Avenue and North Courtland Street; the Board agree to have an additional traffic study performed upon completion of the High School South Project to determine the necessity for a traffic light; and the Board authorize a payment or contribution to the Borough of East Stroudsburg of fifty (50%) percent of the cost of installation of a traffic signal, if the same is determined to be necessary based upon that traffic study, at such intersection, estimated of \$75,000.00. The Solicitor is authorized and directed to notify the Borough of this action and to prepare an appropriate agreement between the District and the Borough evidencing this action for executive by the District officers. Motion was seconded by Donald Motts and carried unanimously, 8-0.

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XXII. ADJOURNMENT 6:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia L. Rosado
Board Secretary