

LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT
Lampeter, Pennsylvania 17537

February 5, 2018

A G E N D A

Meeting Called to Order

Introduction of Guests

Opportunity for Public Comment regarding Agenda Items

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Communications and Recognition

Treasurer's Report – Mr. Terry L. Sweigart

Academic Committee – Mrs. Patricia M. Pontz, Chairperson

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Mr. David J. Beiler, Chairperson

Board of Review Committee – Mrs. Melissa S. Herr, Chairperson

Finance Committee – Mr. Scott J. Kimmel, Chairperson

Personnel Committee – Mr. Scott M. Arnst, Chairperson

Federal Programs – Dr. Andrew M. Godfrey, Representative

Liaison Reports

Student Representatives – Mr. Dylan Grau, Mr. Pierson Castor

Superintendent's Report

Old Business

New Business

Opportunity for Public Comment

Adjournment

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LAMPETER-STRASBURG HIGH SCHOOL – Dr. Benjamin J. Feeney, Ed.D., Principal

A. AEVIDUM

Starting the second semester, Aavidum will be holding monthly mindfulness and meditation sessions during Flex. All students are welcome! Mark your calendars for Aavidum's Annual Pancake Breakfast to be held on Saturday, April 28, 2018, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Lampeter-Strasburg High School cafeteria.

B. ASIAN CULTURE CLUB

In December, the students enjoyed learning about and sampling edible insects from Lancaster County Park Naturalist, Lisa J. Sanchez.

The Asian Culture Club and Mr. Scott Cantrell's fine arts class are coordinating a Chinese Calligraphy workshop with Professor Liu from Franklin and Marshall College. Another anticipated event is a performance of the Peking Acrobats on Saturday, February 17, 2018, at the American Music Theatre. Finally, the club plans to assist with face painting at the Mini-THON sponsored at Lampeter-Strasburg High School

C. ATHLETICS

2017-2018 Winter Sports Participation

<u>Sport</u>	<u>7th</u>	<u>8th</u>	<u>9th</u>	<u>10th</u>	<u>11th</u>	<u>12th</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bowling - Coed	--	--	1	3	1	4	9
Basketball - Boys	13	13	13	6	6	6	57
Basketball - Girls	6	11	7	4	3	3	34
Cheerleading	--	--	8	3	1	1	13
Swimming - Coed	--	--	5	12	5	8	30
Wrestling	13	20	18	13	5	11	80
Total	32	44	52	41	21	33	223

This is an increase of four students from 2016-2017 winter participation.

D. CHICK-FIL-A LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The Leader Academy is beginning to arrange the details for their end-of-the-year Impact Project. We are working with Ross Elementary School to provide the students with a reptile evening with activities, crafts, and a touch table all designed to help children learn about reptiles. Jesse Rothacker from Forgotten Friends Reptiles is going to be our main entertainment, and our high school students will be leading the other activities. We are currently applying for a micro-grant from Chick-fil-A to pay for the event, and we are excited to have the support of the administration at Ross Elementary School.

E. ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

The English Department is pleased to announce that Todd Shelley won first place in the Newspaper in Education Editorial Contest. He will be published in the NIE edition and invited to the NIE reception in honor of his accomplishment.

F. ENIGMA

The Enigma Club is back to publishing student art and writing and has a featured writer or artist in the L-S news art feature on Saturdays. They are currently in the process of putting together our next "collaborative" art project.

G. FFA

Throughout the fall and winter, the Garden Spot FFA has been busy with numerous activities. In the last week of October, Leah Welk, Megan Mellinger, Haddassah Hoover, Jordan Martin, and Kyle Spotts attended the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. They spent the week learning about different aspects of agriculture, serving others, and making lots of memories.

In December, the annual fruit sale gave members the opportunity to interact with people in the community while raising money for the Chapter. Also in December, our chapter participated in the Holiday Workshop and taught third graders about agriculture while making mini pizzas with them.

In the second week of January, seven members received various awards at the Pennsylvania Farm Show. Megan Mellinger and Kyle Spotts received Keystone Degrees, which is the Pennsylvania FFA State degree that is awarded to selected members after completing specific criteria. Carter Meck and Brayden Emmerling were awarded with their first FFA jackets. Jess Herr and Mikayla Miller received scholarships to attend Washington Leadership Conference this summer, and Leah Welk won first, second, and third place awards with her market lambs and goats. The rest of our chapter enjoyed a day at the Farm Show learning about agriculture. Also in January, several members entered their SAE books from last year in the county SAE record book contest. Leah Welk and Jess Herr both received gold medals for market lamb books. Megan Mellinger received silver for packing eggs, and Jordan Martin also received silver for his SAE with packing eggs. Danae Ranck, Gracie Hess, Mikayla Miller, Bryce Good, Jared Risser, and Kyle Spotts all received bronze for various projects and record books. In the upcoming months, our chapter is preparing for National FFA Week in February, the annual banquet held in March, and CDE competitions with hopes to attend States in June.

H. FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE CLASSES

The Yankee Candle sale for the freshman and sophomore class was a success! This year, our students did over \$6,000 in gross sales!

I. HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Elementary students came to Lampeter-Strasburg High School to participate in an activity called "Holiday Workshop." This activity took place from 12:40 p.m. to 2:40 p.m. This is the 22nd year this event has been coordinated by the Lampeter-Strasburg High School Technology Education Department.

The third graders have their activities divided into four stations consisting of the following:

1. Mass Production of Gumball Machines: Students learned about the assembly line process and the use of basic tools to mass produce their own gumball machine. This activity was held in the wood lab under the supervision of Mr. Adrian Baker's wood technology classes.
2. Activity Book/Holiday Greeting Card: Students were exposed to printing and design methods that are used in today's graphic arts industry. Each student designed a book cover on the computer and created an activity book filled with various holiday themed challenges, such as "dot-to-dot," coloring pages, games, and puzzles that were created by Mr. Benjamin Krothe's graphic arts classes. Students also made a holiday card with an Instagram backdrop set-up with winter-themed props. Students wrote a tweet or created a #hashtag to hold in the photo. Students learned about tweets and hashtags beforehand, as well as how to craft/write their own. This part of the station will be in the Graphics Lab under the supervision of Mr. Adam Zurn's informational technology classes.
3. Pizza: "From Farm to Table" (new this year): If you were to ask kids what their favorite food is, a large percentage would say "pizza", but they do not know how it gets to their table other than the delivery man. During this station, the students made a mini-pizza while learning how wheat, tomatoes, dairy, and pork get from the farm to the table in a fun and interactive way. Students also took home a dry pizza dough mix to be made at home. This activity took place in the agricultural room under the supervision of Mrs. Holly Oberholtzer's and Mrs. Kathryn McMichael's FFA club.
4. Design and Construction of Graham Cracker Houses: Students learned about architectural drawing and construction technology as each student designed and constructed their own holiday graham cracker house. This will be in the CADD Lab under the supervision of Mr. Todd Garber's introduction to CADD classes.

The event was mainly financed by the elementary PTO, but was also strongly supported by some local businesses and the high school PTO, who helped with some of the materials and ingredients that were necessary to make this project successful. For example, Weis Markets also provided \$25 worth of gift certificates for the event. All candies and cereals used for the graham cracker houses came from generous donations from the Lampeter-Strasburg High School PTO. The wood materials used for the gumball machines were donated by

Keystone Wood Specialties. Other expenses were paid for by the high school Technology Education Department.

It was a great experience for the third graders and the high school students. This event is made possible by having motivated students and staff, cooperative administrators, generous and active PTO groups, and supportive community businesses.

J. INTERACT

The Interact Club will be busy making chocolate candy at Evan's Candy to sell during the month of February. All the proceeds will help with the club's service projects. The Sertoma Club is holding a sub sale, and there will be Interact members helping to make and pack subs. Some of our club members helped with the Morning-Out program that the L-S preschool group sponsored during January. Interact members will be running a coffee bar at the Mini-THON at the high school. Our members hope to return the rehab center to play Bingo with the residents for whom they bought gifts over the holidays.

K. LS NEWS

Since the last board report, *LS News* has added another 60,000 views to the website from the addition of 51 published articles. We continue to grow our social media accounts in order to reach a larger audience.

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L. LSHS THESPIAN SOCIETY

Prior to the winter break, nine LSHS students earned induction into the Lampeter-Strasburg High School Thespian Society. The traditional "hat day" induction held December 21, 2017, for new society members was bestowed upon Ryan Fahrenstock, Luca Ferretti, Lauren Kneisley, Kristen Mast, Matt Monroy, Jillian Pontz, Alina Rutherford, Emily Sidelinger, and Josiah Zehr. The LSHS Thespian Society President, Nick Blair, orchestrated current members to create the hats for new members. There are currently 30 high school students that have earned their membership in the Thespian Society at LSHS.

On March 8, 9, and 10, 2018, LSHS Thespian Society is presenting Arthur Laurent's *West Side Story*, directed by Mr. Kevin Ditzler. Performances each evening begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Lampeter-Strasburg High School Performing Arts Center. Additionally, a matinee performance will be performed on Saturday, March 10, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. The cast and company, pit, and crew members of this production involve approximately 90 high school students. Interact Club students have volunteered to serve as ushers and usherettes and house custodians for the performances in addition to many parent volunteers assisting with production tasks. Ticket sales will begin on Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

M. NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The National Honor Society made Final Exam "Power Packs" for every high school student on the first day of final exams. Currently, NHS is planning its contribution to the Mini-THON with a cookie decorating activity for the students. Additionally, NHS will soon be planning its spring fundraiser (Hershey Farm whoopee pies) and hopes to replace the old graduation stoles at a price of \$20 to \$25 per stole.

N. PHILOSOPHY CLUB

Philosophy Club continues to meet monthly; we have at this point discussed thinkers such as Niccolò Machiavelli, Plato, and Michel Foucault. Attendance has been strong, and students enjoy the chance to talk about the ideas these thinkers assert.

O. VARSITY CLUB

Varsity Club is helping out with Mini-THON this year by sponsoring the Hungry Hippo game. Students ride scooters while holding on to ropes and laundry baskets and try to collect as many plastic ball-pit balls as possible as their team mates drag them back to base. It's for the kids! Varsity Club has also secured the approval of West Lampeter Township to run the same race route as last year for Ryan's Race. We currently have two race sponsors and are working on getting more community support. We look forward to the event on May 12, 2018.

MARTIN MEYLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL – Mr. Jamie P. Raum, Principal

A. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

During the month of December, Creative Arts teachers selected one student per grade. Students were selected in the category of "Respect."

December:

Health

8A Owen Witmer

Art

7N Rocco Coates

Music

7L Greta Leaman

Band

7B Krista Lambert

Orchestra

8K Noah Westerman

Physical Education

6R Bennett Wehbe

8L Leah Denlinger

German

8R Dylan Swope

Spanish

7L Kurt Kessler

Technology Education

8L Teagan Weaver

Family Consumer Science

7B Abigail Freedland

December Pioneer Pride

6B Jenna Weaver

During the month of January team teachers selected one student per section. Students were selected in the category of "Responsibility."

January:

6B Emily Lapinsky

6E Claire Eckert

6A Joseph Bowling

6R Emma Landis

6S Marissa Rice

7L Kathryn Berry

7I Landen Buser

7O Kara Scranton

7N Marissa Puleo

8K Ava Grandizio

8I Michael Hayes

8N Jonathan Curran

8G Mariah Beiler

6F Chloe Jennings

6L Eric Doutrich

6C Maura Savoca

6N Alicia Bennethum

7S Matthew Logan

7H Nora Kerchner

7R Emma Sauder

7K Juliet Roth

8O Kiersten Hostetter

8W Emma Cliff

8L Cole Younger

8S Keiva Middleton

7C Olivia Zaepfel

7B Rowan Kimmel

8R Alexis Kepley

8A Jenna Daveler

January Pioneer Pride

8W Kyle Pope

B. MARTIN MEYLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSIC

Martin Meylin Orchestra: The following Martin Meylin orchestra students represented L-S at this year's Lancaster-Lebanon County Orchestra Festival on November 11, 2017, hosted by Palmyra Middle School:

Violin: Samantha Ferrari, Ava Grandizio, Rebecca Viscusi, Abigail Wolff

Viola: Gabrielle Burdge, Abigail Lowe

Cello: Grace Burdge, Laura Leaman

Bass: Jack Harnish

The Martin Meylin Orchestra has already performed in two concerts this school year. In late October, the students contributed to the L-S Orchestra's Autumn Concert by performing compositions entitled *Early One Morning* and *Toccatina*. This was followed by a traditional holiday concert in December where the seventh and eighth grades orchestra performed both string orchestra and chamber music selections.

The next L-S Orchestra Festival will be held on March 20, 2018, when all of the District's orchestra students will perform in the annual Movie Music Concert as part of the celebration of March for Music in Our Schools Month.

Martin Meylin Band: The Holiday Concert took place on December 19, 2017. The band performed several varied

selections which included *Hanukkah Dance*, *Catalonian Carol*, *All the Bells Shall Ring*, and the students' favorite, *Selections from Polar Express*.

Twelve students were also selected to perform at the Lancaster-Lebanon Music Educators' Association Middle School Band Festival on January 20, 2018, at McCaskey High School. They are Ella Horst, Katherine Helm, Emma Colon, Cassie Meck, Owen Witmer, Tanner Groff, Maggie Swarr, Jack Filius, John Kuro, Jake Reichert, Marty Breneman, and Chad Royer. The middle school jazz program is also gearing up for its spring season. Nearly 50 students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grades will be part of two bands playing big band jazz.

C. MARTIN MEYLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSICAL PRODUCTION

Martin Meylin Middle School Presents *Peter Pan JR.*: While it hasn't reached the "cast of thousands" milestone yet, this year's Martin Meylin musical production did reach a milestone when Mrs. Memory D'Agostino posted a cast list of 102 names for Music Theater International's *Peter Pan, JR.*, a musical based on the play by Sir J. M. Barrie, with lyrics by Carolyn Leigh, music by Morris (Moose) Charlap, additional lyrics by Betty Comden and Adolph Green, and additional music by Julie Styne. This abridged production kept much of the dialogue and music from the original production that starred Mary Martin as Peter Pan, but the shortened scenes and songs made it a little more manageable for middle school cast members.

The curtain opens with Peter Pan (Maya Bowman) "waking up" the Lost Boys, Brave Girls, Darling family, and Pirates and introducing them to the audience with the song *Neverland*. The show continues in the Darling nursery where Wendy (Cassie Meck), John (Terrence Stinson), and Michael (Adam Miller) are playing before bedtime as Mr. and Mrs. Darling (Grant Beiler and Reagan King) prepare to go out for the evening. The family dog, Nana (Katie Platt), and the housekeeper, Liza (Jadyn Richardson), encourage the children that it is bedtime. When the room is dark, Peter follows Tinkerbell into the nursery while searching for his shadow. After finding the shadow, but being unable to reattach it, Peter cries out quickly waking Wendy up from her sleep. She sews Peter's shadow onto his back, learns about Neverland, and wakes her brothers so they can set off to Neverland with Peter the only way possible - "I'm flying."

In Neverland, the Pirates (Josh Heisey, Zara Paisley, Omar Salinas, Tori Smith), led by Captain Hook (Paul Becker), search for the Lost Boys (Maggie Swarr, Kole Lawrence, Kathryn Davis, Katherine Helm, Justin White, Caleb Arelandu). When they "unearth" the Lost Boys' home underground, Hook and his first mate, Smee (Aiden Flory), craft a plan to poison the Lost Boys. The Brave Girls (Kelly Hostetter, Brooke Smith, Rebecca Franklin) led by Tiger Lily (Mariah Beiler) are out to get the Lost Boys as well. Luckily, Peter and the Darlings finally make it to Neverland in time to scare the Brave Girls away. The Lost Boys are thrilled at the thought of Wendy being their "mother" so she can tell them stories and so they build a house around her as she sleeps. With the Pirate plot to poison the Lost Boys foiled by Wendy, Captain Hook must again think of a new plan.

The Lost Boys learn a lesson from their "father" Peter the next day as he shares the song "I Won't Grow Up" with them. When they realize that the Pirates have taken Tiger Lily prisoner, Peter disguises his voice as Captain Hook, commanding Hook's crew to release Tiger Lily. After then returning the favor and saving the Lost Boys from Captain Hook, the Brave Girls and Lost Boys combine their two tribes into one and celebrate with a rousing song and dance, *Ugh-A-Wug*. Back in their home, Wendy and Peter sing the Lost Boys a lullaby, which make John and Michael homesick. Wendy agrees that it is time for her family to return home and wants to take all of the Lost Boys with them, but Peter wants to have no part of "growing up" and announces he will stay in Neverland. Both the Brave Girls and Lost Boys are captured by the Pirates, and Hook attempts to poison Peter Pan. Tinker Bell drinks the poison to save Peter's life, almost killing herself except for the loud clapping and cheering from the audience to show Tinker Bell that they believed in fairies! The two then go off to save the others.

On Hook's pirate ship, he tries to recruit a few Lost Boys to join his crew, but they all refuse. Hearing their refusal, he tells them they must walk the plank, but he allows their "mother" to speak to them one last time. At precisely that time, the tick-tock of the Crocodile (Ainsleigh Motta) is heard. Peter, Tiger Lily, and the rest of the Brave Girls use the distraction to come aboard Hook's ship and defeat the Pirates. With one last celebratory song, *I Gotta Crow*, Wendy, John, Michael, and the rest of the Lost Boys fly back to the Darling household where Mr. Darling is found sleeping in the dog's bed out of remorse for his behavior, and Mrs. Darling and Nana have lost hope of the children returning. The children begin singing the lullaby their mother sang to them before they flew off to Neverland with Peter, and the family is happily reunited, agreeing to adopt the Lost Boys as well. In Neverland, Peter, the Pirates, and the Brave Girls once again sing of "a place where dreams are born and time is never planned," thus bringing the audience right back to how the show began.

Serving in her eighth year as director, Mrs. Memory D'Agostino guided the cast in total development of the show. Ms. Jane Geiger designed and created most costumes (the crocodile costume was a big hit with the audience), and Ms. Geiger's son, Mr. David Griffith (class of 2013), served as assistant director again this year (his eighth year working with Mrs. D'Agostino). Mrs. Amy Barth Meehan of Premiere Danse Academy volunteered to choreograph all numbers and served the show in many other capacities. Many hours were spent in learning all of

the music for this show and could not have been accomplished without Mr. Benjamin Gibson as music director. Mr. Edward Leone painted the pirate ship and set pieces recycled from the high school production of *Robin Hood*. Mr. Ethan Moore, PAC Technical Production Specialist, and his crew were invaluable in offering expertise with various lighting, sound, and staging effects for the performances. Mrs. Karen Revelt, eighth grade ELA teacher, served as stage manager for the performances, assisted by eighth grade students Emma Eckman and Nicole Zehr, and created the publicity posters for the show. Ivy McComsey (grade 11) served as a tech public relations liaison with Mrs. D'Agostino, while Jillian Pontz (grade 10) served as a student assistant to Mr. Gibson. Student stage managers for our production included Nolan Davidson (grade 12) and Julie Stinson (grade 9). Other high school students helping backstage and/or with make-up included Kylee Waller (grade 9) and Amanda Kauffman (grade 9). Our productions would not happen without the efforts of so many talented and dedicated individuals.

Martin Meylin Middle School has a history of donating to various charitable causes. For our charity donations this year, we were pleased to donate \$1,625 from the cast of *Peter Pan, JR.* to both A Week Away, which coordinates and finances respite weeks for families who are battling a life-threatening illness with the goal of providing them the hope they need to continue their fight, and Building Bridges located in Conestoga, which provides a safe space for personal growth through equine assisted activities for veterans, active duty members and their families, those suffering from trauma and loss, and those who are struggling with cognitive and emotional challenges. We hope that our contributions will allow both organizations to provide assistance to even more individuals and families who are suffering. In total, more than 120 students, staff, and volunteers spent hundreds of hours to plan, practice, and present Music Theater International's *Peter Pan, JR.* to more than 1,700 people. Thank you to Dr. Kevin Peart, the School Board, and our principal, Mr. Jamie Raum, for their support, without which the arts in education would not be possible. Our children gain so much from theater in learning to work with each other, laugh, cry, sing, and act, and will remember this experience for a lifetime. You have given them the opportunity to learn what gifts they have and to share them with so many.

D. MARTIN MEYLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

VFW Patriot's Pen Writing Contest: Two Martin Meylin Middle School students in Mrs. Joanne Williard's eighth grade ELA class, Bobbie Kemoi and Grace Remollino, won awards in the recent VFW Patriot's Pen Writing Contest. Bobbie won second place with an award of \$275, and Grace won third place with an award of \$150. On December 13, 2017, Mr. and Mrs. Dommel from the VFW presented the girls with their awards in the Martin Meylin Middle School Library.

Student Council Door Decorating: During the month of December, Student Council promoted a winter-themed door decorating contest. Many students helped to creatively decorate the doors of their homerooms, and the winner of this friendly competition was Mrs. Jennifer Risser's homeroom, the 8A section from the COBRA team.

Challenge Program Creates a Non-profit Challenge: At the end of the 2016-2017 school year, four young sixth grade ladies wanted to create a non-profit organization to benefit a student at Martin Meylin Middle School with cancer as their independent study project in Challenge, their gifted pull-out time. They started organizing, met over the summer to continue organizing, and jumped into seventh grade with their goal firmly in mind.

Even though they were not in the same section this year, they have managed to keep in touch with each other to keep their project rolling. They created a website and got permission and advice from Mr. Jamie Raum, our principal. After much experimentation (thank you to our custodian, Mrs. Latecia Seibel) they came up with a recipe that they liked for bath bombs. The bath bombs are scented, release a color, and are meant for one friend to give to another because the colors all have unique meanings. They intend to make friendship bracelets, too, with the same color meanings, but have hit a snag: the demand for the bracelets is higher than they can keep up with!

The girls took orders from their peers during lunch in the second week of December and filled all of those orders before winter break. They stayed after school several times, taught each other how to make the bracelets, took bracelet orders home to work on, and even made bath bombs at home on their own! On the Thursday before break, they were able to present the parents of the student with cancer a check for \$340.

The girls took a well-deserved rest over the holiday, but do intend to have a stand at Lampeter-Strasburg High School during Mini-THON in February and take orders closer to Mother's Day. This is obviously still a work in progress. They have to work out collecting money through their website, how they will recruit volunteers to help meet the demand, and how to schedule their sale dates so they can keep up with their studies. I am most impressed with the ability these girls have to "take a risk" and persevere through obstacles. If you would like to view their website, go to [*Trinkets for Treatment*](#) or just do a web search for their company name. The seventh grade students involved are Grace Burdge, Leah Knarr, Krista Lambert, and Laura Leaman, and we couldn't be prouder of them!

2018 Geography Bee: On January 10, 2018, social studies classes participated in a school-wide geography bee. Questions were given to students by team prior to the after-school competition. The finalist group competed in seven rounds of questioning dealing with U.S. Geography, Continents, World Geography, Cultural Geography, and Physical Geography. The students who participated were Peter Mecouch, Luke Smith, Johnslly Jacques, Eric Doutrich, Josef Dunnenberger, Gracie Albright, Bethany Barrall, Catherine Torres, Myles McQueen, Broden Olinger, Thor Martin, Elijah Myers, Logan Moyer, Dylan Swope, Grant Beiler, Maggie Visniski, Mitchell Livengood, and Ainsleigh Motta. The Martin Meylin Middle School representative will be Maggie Visniski. She will complete an exam within the next few weeks in hopes of qualifying for the state Bee

2018 Spelling Bee: Students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grades had the opportunity to participate in this year's school spelling bee. Team competitions were held during large group instruction periods to determine the 30 representatives who competed in the school spelling bee on January 24, 2018. The winner was eighth grader Ava Grandizio. Ricky Gibson (grade 7), Jack Harnish (grade 8), and Jeimy Elvira-Paredes (grade 6) will also represent Martin Meylin Middle School at the Lancaster County Spelling Bee Semi-Final. Ian Donaldson (grade 7) will be the alternate. The top four spellers moved on to the Lancaster County Spelling Bee. Dr. Kevin Peart, superintendent, was the pronouncer, and Mrs. Jennifer Risser, Mrs. Memory D'Agostino, and Mrs. Joanne Williard were judges. The Martin Meylin Middle School ELA Department organized this year's spelling bee.

Sixth Grade

Owen Ames
Sarah Blount
Thomas Creighton
Emerald Dorsey
Jeimy Elvira-Paredes
Gavin Hiles
Avalece Lopez
Peter Mecouch
Colin Whitaker

Seventh Grade

Riley Bonholtzer
Landon Coronado
Ian Donaldson
Richard Gibson
Nora Kerchner
Laura Leaman
Tyler Schroeder
Tyler Steele
Catherine Torres
Givenchy Warren
Abigail Wolff

Eighth Grade

Ava Grandizio
Lindsey Heacock
Julia Barge
Jackson Price
Maya Bowman
Dylan Swope
Jack Harnish
Kyle Pope
Sidney Brinkman

E. UPCOMING EVENTS

February 9, 2018	Valentine's Dance (Grades 6, 7, 8)
February 23, 2018	PTO Dodgeball Tournament
February 28, 2018	Early Dismissal – 12:15 p.m.

LAMPETER-STRASBURG ELEMENTARY DIVISION –
Dr. William M. Bray and Dr. Jeffrey T. Smecker, Principals

A. LAMPETER DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

Lampeter Elementary School students enjoyed holiday shopping at the Lampeter Winter Wonderland during the month of December. This event was sponsored by the PTO.

All first and second grade students at Lampeter Elementary Schools enjoyed the live performance of *The Nutcracker* at the Fulton Opera House in December. The Lampeter Elementary School Parent Teachers Organization generously paid for each student's ticket, as well as covering the bus transportation costs for the trip.

Lampeter Elementary School participated in a Holiday Happenings day just prior to the Holiday vacation. Organized by the Lampeter Elementary School teachers, this event engaged students in numerous holiday theme based learning activities throughout the school. Additionally, Mrs. Patti Creighton, Lampeter music teacher, presented a holiday sing-a-long where, in addition to singing Christmas carols, the students had the opportunity to listen to holiday music performed by the Martin Meylin Chamber Group under the direction of Mr. Robert Shaubach.

B. EARLY CHILDHOOD ACTIVITIES TAKE PLACE

Lampeter-Strasburg's collaboration with the Plant the Seed of Learning (PTSL) initiative has expanded with a new program titled, Grow the Seed of Learning (GTSL). While Plant the Seed of Learning sessions are offered to all county families with children ages birth through two, Grow the Seed of Learning sessions are offered to families with children ages two through four. Just like PTSL, GTSL is a collaborative effort between local school

districts, Women and Babies Hospital, and Ephrata Wellspan Community Hospital. In December, L-S staff and high school Interact volunteers facilitated the first GTSL session at Women and Babies Hospital, "The Brain and Literacy." Families were presented information about how a two to four year old's brain is growing and acquiring literacy skills from a medical perspective. These literacy skills are those that are vital for children as they later transition into kindergarten. Families also participated in an Interactive Big Book that modeled ways to engage children in a story with manipulatives. Hands-on activities were available in a station format and parents engaged with their children as they participated in making letters in various tactile ways, exploring toys with an emphasis upon building literacy (i.e. letter transformers), and enjoying board books which support the development of vocabulary skills. Families left the session then with a GTSL Bag containing a book and a literacy-based toy for continued supported learning at home.

C. HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

In December, Hans Herr Elementary School third graders had the opportunity to participate in the Holiday Workshop at Lampeter-Strasburg High School. This long-standing tradition has been in place for 22 years! A big thank you goes out to the practical arts teachers, Mr. Todd Garber, Mr. Benjamin Krothe, Mrs. Holly Oberholtzer, Mr. Adam Zurn, Mrs. Janae McMichael, and Mr. Adrian Baker, and all of the high school students for making the third grade holiday workshop possible!

D. HOLIDAY CONCERTS

Fourth and fifth graders did an amazing job performing during our holiday concerts. The Hans Herr Elementary School band, orchestra and chorus performed a Holiday Concert for the public on the evening of December 18, 2017. A second concert was held for staff and students on December 22, 2017. Special thanks to our music teachers, Mr. Robert Shaubach, Mrs. Heather Ceresini, and Mrs. Susan Doll, for all of their hard work in coordinating these concerts.

E. HANS HERR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO EVENTS

A big thank you goes out to the Hans Herr Elementary School PTO for organizing the Annual Five-Below Holiday Shopping Event for Hans Herr Elementary School students. On December 6 and 7, 2017, PTO helpers assisted Hans Herr Elementary School students as they completed their holiday shopping. Proceeds benefited Santa's Helpers.

The Hans Herr Elementary School PTO also organized a SKY ZONE night for all Hans Herr Elementary School students on the evening of Thursday, January 18, 2018! Students in third, fourth, and fifth grades had the opportunity to jump and soar on SKY ZONE's trampolines. This was a fun night for Hans Herr Elementary School families!

F. KEYSTONE EDUCATOR

Congratulations to fifth grade teacher Mrs. Christi Henry for being nominated as a Keystone Technology Innovator! A Keystone Technology Innovator is a classroom teacher who fully utilizes the many benefits technology offers to improve instructional practices across his/her content areas. In doing this, the teacher does not focus on the technology itself; rather, he/she focuses on student learning and uses technology as a tool to support this end.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT – Mr. William E. Griscom, Jr., Technology Director

A. MFP DEPLOYMENT

The new Xerox MFP deployment wrapped up prior to the beginning of the new year. In the limited amount of time with the new devices, the overall results are very positive. The software used to manage the devices generates monthly reports for the building principals to evaluate overall paper and toner usage. Follow-up training will happen in each building to allow faculty and staff to ask questions that have come up after having time to use the devices.

B. PAC Flooring

Mr. Glenn Davis, Mr. Ethan Moore, and Mr. William Griscom visited Donegal High School and Sight and Sound Theatre to look at solutions both organizations implemented regarding their stage floors. The PAC floor has

presented challenges due to its sheen. Paint companies no longer make a flat black floor paint that can be used on a wooden floor. Because of this, the only paint options available are stain and a black paint with a semi-gloss coating. The stain option is expensive, time consuming, and doesn't produce a consistent look. The black paint has too much of a sheen and makes using lights on the stage very challenging. Sight and Sound uses a composite material, similar to what can be found on composite decks. We are exploring various options before presenting a recommendation to the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

C. Blackboard Texting Service

After working with Blackboard and making changes to PowerSchool, Ms. Laura Anderson and Mr. William Griscom added the texting service to the District emergency notification system. When there is a delay, early dismissal, or closure related to weather, Dr. Peart has the ability to send text messages to all parents who have signed up for the service.

FOR BOARD ACTION

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

1. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF RESIGNATION

Recommend the approval of the resignation from Patrick M. Nightingale, PAC Technical Director, Lampeter-Strasburg High School, retroactively effective to January 8, 2018.

2. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT – PROFESSIONAL

Recommend the approval of the employment of a professional employee, Johanna L. Jurisson, as a long-term substitute employee assigned as a Spanish teacher. Ms. Jurisson is a graduate of Millersville University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Spanish Education. She is certified in Spanish (PK-12). Her daily compensation would be \$242.31 based upon Step 1, Level B, of the District compensation agreement retroactively effective at the beginning of the second semester of the 2017-2018 school year through the end of the 2017-2018 school year. She will be assigned to Lampeter-Strasburg High School.

3. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT – SUPPORT

Recommend the approval of the employment of a support or non-permanent employee, Leslie K. Malcolm, extended substitute reading assistant, Lampeter Elementary School. Ms. Malcolm will be employed as an extended substitute support employee and will be compensated at \$15.20 per hour retroactively effective to January 12, 2018, to on or about February 2, 2018.

4. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF A LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Recommend the approval of leaves of absence for the following individuals:

- a. Michelle L. Pieters, reading assistant, Lampeter Elementary School, an extension retroactively effective from January 9, 2018, to on or about February 9, 2018.
- b. Mary K. Schaub, reading assistant, Hans Herr Elementary School, retroactively effective from January 23, 2018, to the end of the 2017-2018 school year.
- c. Erica L. White, biology teacher, Lampeter-Strasburg High School, an extension effective from on or about March 26, 2018, to the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

5. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF A CHANGE OF STATUS

Recommend the approval of a temporary change of employment status for Mary K. Schaub. Ms. Schaub will become an extended substitute first grade teacher. Ms. Schaub is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and Millersville University with a Master of Education degree. She is certified in Elementary (K-6). Her daily compensation would be \$295.56 based upon Step 4, Level M, of the District compensation agreement retroactively effective from January 24, 2018, through the end of the 2017-2018 school year. She will be assigned to Lampeter Elementary School.

6. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Recommend the approval of additions/deletions to 2017-2018 supplemental contracts as follows:

a.	Karen Taraborelli	Grade Level Chairperson – 2 – Second Semester	\$ 250.00	Addition
b.	Melissa Jeffers	Mentor – Elementary – Tonia Kauffman	\$ 750.00	Addition
c.	Kaitlyn Gilbert	Track – JH – Assistant – 45%	\$2,425.95	Addition
d.	Matthew Delfert	Track – Assistant – 50%	\$2,689.50	Deletion
e.	Matthew Delfert	Track – Assistant – 50% of 50%	\$1,344.75	Addition
f.	MariAlice Cunningham	Track – Assistant – 50% of 50%	\$1,344.75	Addition

7. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTES

Recommend the approval of 2017-2018 substitutes in their respective capacities, as follows:

Certified Substitutes

Bressler, Sarah E. Elementary (K-6), Mid-Level English (6-9), Mid-Level Citizenship (6-9)
Kinert, Amanda R. Elementary (K-6), Reading Specialist

Emergency Certified Substitutes

Dutill, Jason J. Elementary Only
Lutz, Kathryn A. All Subject Areas
Stoeckl, Ian M. All Subject Areas

Support Substitutes

Danehower, Nancy J.
Dunlap, Sherry A.
Kinert, Amanda R.
Shaner, Cynthia A.
Walton, Richard G.

8. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEERS

Recommend the approval of 2017-2018 volunteers, as follows:

Bomberger, Kimberly N.
Ciemian, Maureen P.
Coe, Melissa B.
Morrison, Garry M., Jr.
Peticca, Mark J.
Pugliese, Kayla J.
Sampedro, Nora
Turek, Michele L.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

9. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF 2018-2019 LANCASTER COUNTY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY BUDGET

Recommend the approval of the 2018-2019 Lancaster County Career and Technology General Fund Budget, as posted.

10. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF WIDE AREA NETWORK (WAN) IMPROVEMENTS

Recommend the approval of an agreement to participate in the consortium purchase for WAN services and Internet beginning with the E-rate Funding Year 2018, as posted. This agreement binds the District to purchase a 10 Gigabit WAN connection, unless pricing changes during final negotiations or if E-Rate funding is not approved. This agreement is the result of a competitive procurement process conducted by Lancaster-Lebanon IU13 and its consultants. The final terms and contract details will be provided for approval at the April 2018 Board meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

11. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF GUIDELINES FOR COMMUNITY MEMBER PARTICIPATION ON BOARD COMMITTEES

Recommend the approval of guidelines for community member participation on Board committees, as posted.

12. RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF STUDENT TRIP

Recommend the approval of a student trip sponsored by Outdoor Club to Chincoteague Bay Field Station (formerly Wallops Island), Virginia, from May 3 to 6, 2018, as posted.

13. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board will adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of a student matter.

FOR BOARD INFORMATION

1. The Academic Committee will meet in the Board Room of the Administration Building at 6:30 p.m. on Monday evening, February 12, 2018.
2. The Buildings and Grounds Committee will meet in the Board Room of the Administration Building at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, February 20, 2018.
3. The Board Workshop will be held in the Board Room of the Administration Building at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, February 20, 2018.
4. The Personnel Committee will meet in the Conference Room of the Administration Building at 6:30 p.m. on Monday evening, March 5, 2018.
5. The next meeting of the Board will be held in the Board Room of the Administration Building at 7:30 p.m. on Monday evening, March 5, 2018.