

# *East Lycoming School District*



## *School Board Update:*

### *NOTES AND INFORMATION FROM THE September 27, 2011 REGULAR BOARD MEETING*

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm and at approximately 7:40 p.m. was adjourned. There were no comments from members of the audience.

#### **Administrative and Board Committee Reports:**

Mr. Pawlik reported on the effects of the state budget for schools in the Commonwealth. Some of the facts presented include:

On average, schools used \$500,000 out of their budgetary reserve to balance the current school year budget.

Four school districts reported that they eliminated kindergarten and additional districts reduced full day kindergarten.

One third of all districts reporting reduced or eliminated some activities or sports and thirty-one percent instituted or increased “pay to play” fees.

Additionally, in the approximately 300 districts that reported, there were over 8000 teaching positions eliminated through attrition or furlough.

Dr. Rogers reported on the goals of Mr. Creasy and Mr. Coburn and complimented them on their presentations to the Goals Committee.

Mrs. Laychur reported on the Lyco CTC board meeting and reported that membership is very strong and an additional program in automotive tech has been introduced.

#### **Educational Items:**

- **Approved Items included:**
  - The high school field trip to Williamsport
  - The Renn Sixth Grade field trip to the Baltimore Aquarium.

- Approved a change in the school calendar to make-up recent days lost to flooding. Administrators will be providing copies of the new calendar. The major changes include:
  - November 22<sup>nd</sup> will now be a student day.
  - Conferences will be held from 3:30-6:30 on November 16 and 17.
  - November 29<sup>th</sup> will also be a student day.
  - The rest of the calendar remains unchanged.

**Personnel Items:**

In personnel matters, Directors:

- **Approved** the resignation of Susan Higley as High School Musical Director.
- **Appointed:**
  - Chet Ritter as Fitness Center Worker.

The Board also approved additional teaching and nursing substitutes.

*Mike*