

AGENDA  
MINERSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
January 22, 2025

I. RECOGNITION

1. Recognize Students of the Month:
  - a. December 2024 – Olivia Kopinetz and Robert Bruce
  - b. January 2025 – Ava Long and Logan Hutsko
2. Mrs. Joanne Murphy, coordinator of the Elementary Christmas Toy Program, wanted to acknowledge the Girls' and Boys' Basketball Teams, Minersville Youth Football, Minersville Cheerleading, Sts. Peter and Paul Church, The First Baptist Church of Pottsville, and teachers and staff for providing Christmas gifts to more than 76 district families with over 150 children this holiday season. The project included a collaborative effort from these clubs with outside sources including Reading Outfitters, who supplied toys and a very generous monetary donation. Monetary donations were also supplied by The Minersville Lions and Quandels.
3. Board Director Recognition – present certificates

II. INVESTMENTS

III. USE OF FACILITIES

4. Approve the following "Use of Facility" requests approved by the Superintendent under standing policy:
  - a. 12/17/2024 – Minersville Police Department– High School Auditorium 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM for Police Defensive Tactics Training.
  - b. 02/04/2025 and 02/05/2025 – Branch/Miners Teener Baseball – Llewellyn Building – 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM for baseball sign-ups.
  - c. 02/01/2025 – 05/31/2025 – PA Flight Girls' Basketball – High School Gymnasium two (2) nights per week depending on availability and conflicts with softball.

IV. CREDIT REIMBURSEMENTS

5. Approve payment for credits earned to:
  - a. Stacey Faustner – 6 credits @ \$750 = \$4,500
  - b. Katherine Herring – 6 credits @ \$485 = \$2,910
  - c. Rochelle Jones – 3 credits @ \$862 = \$2,586
  - d. Erin Zollars – 6 credits @ \$516 = \$3,096

V. CONTRACTS

VI. FINANCIAL

6. Approve retro-active to January 1, 2025 a revised travel reimbursement of 70.0 cents.
7. Record in minutes 2024 Real Estate Collection Report. Attached.
8. Exonerate the following tax receivers from further tax collection efforts relative to 2024 Schuylkill County Real Estate Duplicate:
  - a. Mrs. Gail Bedford, Branch Township
  - b. Mrs. Barbara Conville, Cass Township
  - c. Mrs. Lisa Michelcavage, Foster Township
  - d. Mrs. Heidi Hashin, Minersville Borough
  - e. Mrs. Mary Ann Matukewicz, Reilly Township
9. Approve additional transportation changes with Earl Renninger, Inc. as follows:
  - a. End M – Minersville/HS (Mid-day Roundtrip) effective January 15, 2025.
  - b. Revise M6 – IU/EC for \$94.00 per day effective January 7, 2025.
  - c. Revise M24 – LVHN (A.M. & P.M.) for \$89.00 per day effective January 2, 2025.
  - d. M25 – Blue Mountain (A.M. only) for \$52.00 per day for the period of December 19, 2024 through January 9, 2025.
  - e. Revise M28 – STC Annex at the IU for \$72.00 per day effective January 16, 2025.
10. Authorize the request for refund by Mrs. Gail Bedford, Branch Township Tax Collector, for a Real Veteran's Real Estate Tax Exemption to:

| <u>Parcel #</u> | <u>Taxpayer/Address</u>                                      | <u>Refund Amount</u> |
|-----------------|--|----------------------|
| 3-4-29(1)       | Heffron, Marin T. & Tanya M., 63 Stein's Mill Rd, Pottsville | \$869.69             |

VII. EXTRA-CURRICULAR

11. Amend previously approved starting salary for Katelyn Rittenbaugh as Head Girls' Softball Coach to \$4,000 for the 2024-2025 season.

VIII. LEGAL

12. Motion to authorize the Solicitor to contact the Solicitor for the Citizens Fire Company to arrange for the reverter clause to be removed from the current deed and to authorize the Board to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the removal.

IX. PERSONNEL

13. Approve the leave of absence for the purpose of maternity leave under FMLA for employee #1615, a professional employee, to begin on or about February 20, 2025, with the intent to return on April 14, 2025. Employee intends to utilize accumulated sick balance and unpaid leave during this absence.
14. Ratify the hire of the following 21st Century Schuylkill Achieve After School staff beginning January 1, 2025. All program funds are fully reimbursed from the Intermediate Unit #29 through a federal grant program.

| <u>Staff</u>        | <u>Position</u>         | <u>Salary</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| a. Rochelle Jones   | Teacher                 | \$24.70/hour  |
| b. Robyn Chadwick   | Teacher                 | \$24.70/hour  |
| c. Maria Spotts     | Teacher                 | \$24.70/hour  |
| d. Sara Sukeena     | Teacher                 | \$24.70/hour  |
| e. Laura Yazemboski | Teacher                 | \$24.70/hour  |
| f. Tracey Urquiza   | Teacher, Substitute     | \$24.70/hour  |
| g. Jose Urquiza     | Coordinator, Substitute | \$26.30/hour  |

15. Approve the hire of the following:

| <u>Name</u>        | <u>Position, subject to assignment</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> | <u>Step</u> | <u>Salary</u> |
|--------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|
| a. Karleen Leonard | PT, Instructional Aide                 | 01/06/2025            |             | \$15.17/hr.   |

X. POLICY

16. Motion to review and allow for 30 day inspection the Minersville Area Junior-Senior High School Course Selection Guide for the 2025-2026 school year. See attached.
17. Approve first reading of revisions to the following Board Policies:
  - a. 113.1 – Discipline of Students with Disabilities
  - b. 113.2 – Behavior Support
  - c. 113.4 – Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information
  - d. 251 – Homeless Students

XI. SCHOOL CALENDAR

18. Motion to approve the update to the 2024-2025 school calendar.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Professional Contract
2. Termination
3. Statement of Financial Interest Forms – 2024 year due by May 1, 2025
  - a. This report needs to be filed with the Business Office. Please return to Barb.
4. School Improvement Plans