

Members Present:	Members Absent
Kevin Wigoda	Albert D. Marazas
James T. Croley, II	Cynthia Lubinsky
Jessica M. McGrath	Christopher M. Bowers
Sarah R. Newton	
James O'Brien, Jr.	

The regular monthly meeting of the Minersville Area Board of Education was held in the Career & Counseling Center of the Junior-Senior High School and Zoom on Thursday evening, February 27, 2025. The meeting was called to order by President, Kevin Wigoda at 7:00 PM.

On roll call, the following responded: Kevin Wigoda, Albert D. Marazas, Jessica McGrath, James T. Croley, II, Dr. Cynthia Lubinsky, James O'Brien, Jr., Sarah R. Newton, and Christopher Bowers.

Others present: Michael Maley, Superintendent; Brittany K. Doyle, Business Manager; Nannette Bentz, Elementary Principal; and Barbara Conville, Secretary to the Superintendent/Assistant to the Secretary.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by McGrath, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 22, 2025. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Approve Meeting
Minutes of 01/22/2025

Matthew Spotts, 635 Pine Hill Street, Minersville, addressed the board members stating that the school board needs to do better for our kids. His daughter left the third grade reading at a first grade level and not receiving any help from the Special Education Department was an expensive cost to him. Mr. Spotts hired an attorney to help for advocate for his daughter. He also stated that emails were sent to past Administrators, including Dr. McBreen, Mrs. Atkinson, Mrs. Bentz and the Board. For the record, Ms. Newton said she never received any such emails.

AGENDA

Mr. Maley read item #1 on the agenda as the students of the month for February 2025. Neither student was present due to commitments, however, Mr. Maley read biographies for both of the students; Lorelei Bowers and Easton M. Schultz.

Acknowledgments

Students of the Month

MOTION - by Newton, seconded by Lubinsky to record in minutes the donation of the following library books to the Llewellyn library:

Library Donation

Title:

Dr. Suess's How the Grinch Lost Christmas
No, David!
Penelope Rex and the Problem with Pets
Little Faces Big Feelings
Stitch - Spring Fever
Cats
Buffalo Gruffalo
The Monster at the End of the Book
The Quiltmaker's Gift
Quilt Alphabet
Love from Bluey

Donor:

Friends at Llewellyn
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In Memory of:

Mrs. Dolores M. Huntsinger
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All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Bowers to approve the following "Use of Facility" requests approved by the Superintendent under standing policy:

Use of Facilities

- 02/23/2025 - Llewellyn Parent Club - Llewellyn Gymnasium - 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM for a Valentine's Day dance for 4K and Kindergarten students. Parent/Guardian will remain with student.
- 02/25/2025 - Minersville Fifth Quarter Club - High School Cafeteria - 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, for the club reorganization meeting.
- 03/01/2025 - 06/01/2025 - PA Flight Team - Llewellyn Gymnasium - 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM, when available for basketball practice. Schedule to be coordinated with athletic office.
- 03/01/2025 - 07/01/2025 - PA Flight Team - High School Gymnasium - two days per week

- when available for basketball practice. Schedule to be coordinated with athletic office.
- e. 03/02/2025 - Track & Field Booster Club - High School Cafeteria - 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, for the club meeting with coaches and parents.
 - f. 03/06/2025 - Minersville Boys' Baseball Dugout Club - High School Cafeteria - 5:00 PM- 5:30 PM for a parent meeting.
 - g. 03/09/2025 - National Honor Society - High School Auditorium and Cafeteria 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM for National Honor Society Induction.
 - h. 03/20/2025 - 03/22/2025 - Drama Club - High School Auditorium - 6:00 PM - 10:30 PM on Thursday and Friday; 12:00 PM - 10:30 PM on Saturday for the Spring Musical.
 - i. 04/26/2025 - High School Cafeteria and lobby - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM for a Spring Fling for 7th and 8th grade students.
 - j. 05/04/2025 - Band & Choir - High School Auditorium- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM for the Band and Choir Spring Concert.
 - k. 06/02/2025 - 06/05/2025 - Girls' Youth Basketball Camp - High School Gymnasium - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM.
 - l. 08/06/2025 - PIAA Volleyball Rules Interpretation Meeting - High School Auditorium - 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

All members in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bowers, seconded by Marazas to approve payment for credits earned to:

- a. Joel Motuk - 3 credits @ \$612 = \$1,836

Payment for credits

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by O'Brien, seconded by McGrath to ratify Superintendent signature Authorize Superintendent to sign a three (3) year Letter of Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center, Centre Hall, PA for educational services at a cost of \$100 per day per admitted student for 2025/2026, 2026/2027 and 2027/2028 school years.

The Meadows 3-year contract 2025-2028

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bowers, seconded by Newton to ratify Superintendent signature to the Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds by School District for the Intermediate Unit #29 under the requirements of the IDEA - Part B for the 2024/2025 school year.

2024/2025 IDEA - Part B contract with IU29

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bowers, seconded by O'Brien to ratify Superintendent signature to the agreement with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit #29 for IDEA - Section 619 Pass through Funds for the 2024/2025 school year.

2024/2025 IDEA Section 619 contract with IU29

On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by McGrath, seconded by O'Brien to authorize Superintendent signature to an agreement between the Minersville Area School District and Schuylkill Haven Area School District for Social Work Services at an hourly rate of \$62.20 beginning January 16, 2025.

Social Work Services with Sch. Haven ASD

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by O'Brien, seconded by Croley to authorize Superintendent signature to an agreement between the Minersville Area School District and Schuylkill Haven Area School District for Life Skills Support Services at an hourly rate of \$58.99 beginning January 16, 2025.

Life Skills Support Services with Sch. Haven ASD

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Lubinsky to authorize Superintendent to sign GASB 75

GABS 75 Valuation Agreement

Valuation and Related Services Agreement for valuation services effective January 1, 2025.

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by O'Brien, seconded by Croley to authorize Business Manager to sign a three (3) year agreement for school photography services for 2025/2026; 2026/2027; and 2027/2028, with Professional School Photography (PSP), Old Route 209, PO Box 304, Tuscarora, PA 17982.

Professional School
Photography contract

On a voice vote, all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by McGrath to rescind approved salary of \$2,840 for Mrs. Katie Carr as Assistant Softball Coach for the 2024/2025 season.

Rescind extra curricular
salary

On a voice vote, all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Newton, seconded by Bowers to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the additional Girls' Softball coaching positions for the 2024/2025 season at the approved salaries. ** If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Assistant Softball
Coaches 2024/2025

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
a.	Katie Carr	Assistant Coach	\$1,420
b.	Michael Mistishen	Assistant Coach	\$1,420
c.	Megan Wolfe	Assistant Coach	Volunteer

On a roll call vote, all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bowers, seconded by McGrath to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the additional Track & Field coaching positions for the 2024/2025 season at the approved salaries. ** If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Assistant Track & Field
Coach 2024/2025

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
a.	James Deichert	Assistant Coach	Volunteer

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by O'Brien to approve transportation changes with Earl Renninger, Inc. as follows:

Transportation changes

- Revise M6 - IU/EC for \$116.00 per day effective January 23, 2025.
- Revise M20 - IU for \$111.00 per day effective January 23, 2025.
- Revise M26 - River Rock for \$93.00 per day effective February 4, 2025.
- Revise M33 - Gillingham for \$257.00 per day effective January 29, 2025

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by O'Brien to accept the resignation of Ms. Draylin Stillitano, part-time Certified Nursing Assistant, effective Friday, January 31, 2025.

Resignation - Stillitano,
Draylin

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by McGrath, seconded by Lubinsky to authorize the termination of services with Schuylkill Haven Area School District for the following part-time, out of district paraprofessionals effective January 16, 2025 for a student no longer at the servicing district.

Termination of services
Sch. Haven ASD

- Carol Tucci
- Joseph Tucci

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bowers, seconded by O'Brien to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Krista Dullard, part-time paraprofessional, effective end of day Wednesday, March 5, 2025 for the purpose of other employment.

K. Dullard resignation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Newton, seconded by McGrath to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Maria Gore as a professional employee effective May 29, 2025, for the purpose of retirement. {34 years of service}

M. Gore retirement resignation

All board members agreed on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by O'Brien to approve the second reading and adoption of revisions to the following Board Policies. See attached.

Board Policy approval

- 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

On a voice vote, all members in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Marazas to approve the Minersville Area Junior-Senior High School Course Selection Guide for the 2025/2026 school year.

Course Selection Guide 2025/2026

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Staff Reports

Mr. Maley read the High School Report and Mrs. Bentz delivered her Elementary Report to the Board.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Newton to approve the Treasurer's Report as prepared and submitted. On a voice vote - all in favor; Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

MOTION - by O'Brien, seconded by Lubinsky to ratify the payment of bills for February from the General Fund in the amount of \$2,856,955.07; Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$74,458.28; 21st CCLC - Schuylkill Achieve Account in the amount of \$1,313.47; Federal Programs Account in the amount of \$4,881.02; High School Athletics in the amount of \$22,905.06; High School Activities Account in the amount of \$8,950.39 for a total bills payable \$2,969,463.29.

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Croley to approve Statement of Taxes for January as prepared and submitted. All in favor on a voice vote. Motion passed.

Statement of Taxes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Marazas stated that budget meetings would begin soon. Bowers stated that he will chair a new committee at the STC to save the Logistics Program, making it more attractive and offer resources to interested students. Croley said there will be an upcoming Technology Committee meeting and Special Committee meeting, but offered no time frame for either.

Committee Reports

CORRESPONDENCE

D.H.H. Lengel posted social media pictures of our Minersville students cleaning up their section of the bleachers following district basketball play. The students were commended for their efforts. Also, Mr. Rowan of Notre Dame/Greenpond complimented our athletes and students for their good sportsmanship and behavior at the district games.

Correspondence

OLD BUSINESS

None.

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NEW BUSINESS

None.

New Business

There being no further business to report or discuss, the meeting adjourned on MOTION by Lubinsky seconded by O'Brien at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica McGrath

Jessica McGrath, Secretary

Barbara J. Conville

Barbara J. Conville, Assistant to the Secretary

