



**Wednesday, May 14, 2025
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
DHH LENGEL MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
6:00 p.m.**

1. MEETING OPENING

Subject	1.1 Opening - Ms. Linda Wytovich / Roll Call - Mrs. Krista Bevan
Meeting	May 14, 2025 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Category	1. MEETING OPENING
Access	Public
Type	Information, Procedural

Subject	1.2 Public Comment
Meeting	May 14, 2025 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Category	1. MEETING OPENING
Access	Public
Type	Procedural

A reminder to the public that the public comment period is not a question and answer period, but rather the opportunity for the public to submit comments to the Board. Public comments will follow our public comment procedures which require members of the public to identify themselves by indicating name and address. If members of the public wish to make public comments, then they must do so in person.

Are there any public comments at this time?

2. GENERAL

Subject	2.1 Superintendent Report - Dr. Sarah Yoder
Meeting	May 14, 2025 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Category	2. GENERAL
Access	Public
Type	Information

1. Approval of Credits

Subject	2.4 Finance – Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Meeting	May 14, 2025 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Category	2. GENERAL
Access	Public
Type	Information

Finance Committee Agenda

1. Comparison Expense and Revenue Reports/Summary
2. Treasurer's Report
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the agreement with PSBA Insurance for the Better Unemployment Compensation System BASIC Program (BUCS Basic) for the 2025-2026 school year.
4. It is recommended that the Board approve the contracts with Child and Family Services for the Student Assistance Program (SAP) and Elementary Student Assistance Program (ESAP) for the 2025-2026 school year.
5. It is recommended that the Board approve the Revised 2024-2025 TITLE I Letter of Agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and Schuylkill Intermediate Unit. Term of Agreement - August 21, 2024 through May 30, 2025.
6. It is recommended that the Board approve the Wave of Wellness for May for all PASD Staff, funded by the BSCA grant.
7. It is recommended that the Board approve the Seltzer Group Partners Renewal for 2025-2026 school year:
 - Property/Liability/Auto/Crime/Educators Liability - \$180,675
 - Commercial Umbrella - \$20,267
 - Cyber Liability - \$8,670
 - Workers Comp - \$87,240
8. It is recommended that the Board approve the Renewal Agreement with Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU) Computer Service for the 2025-2026 school year at an annual cost of \$29,688.10 for fund accounting, human resources, and payroll.
9. It is recommended that the Board reappoint the Schuylkill County Recorder of Deeds to administer and collect the Realty Transfer Tax within the Pottsville Area School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.
10. It is recommended that the Board designate the following institutions as depositories for the Pottsville Area School District for the 2025-2026 school year and to continue under presently existing depository agreements:
 - ~ Mid Penn Bank, Minersville, PA - General Fund, Payroll Account, Federal Funds, HS Athletic Fund, Activities Fund, Auxiliary Account, Booster Club Account, Cafeteria Account, Technology Account
 - ~ Link Bank, Pottsville, PA - Award Funds
 - ~ PSDLAF - Capital Reserve Fund, General Fund Investment Accounts

Informational Item:

We are pleased to share that Moody’s Investors Service has moved the Pottsville Area School District up a credit rating level for the THIRD consecutive year! The history of the District’s credit rating is below:

PASD - Moody's Credit Score History		
Date	Purpose	Score
6/1/12	\$4.155 million - General Obligation Bonds (.26% through 2.77%)	Aa3 - Negative Outlook
12/22/15	\$3.1 million - General Obligation Bonds (.9% through 2.65%)	Baa1 - Negative Outlook
5/22/17	Prompted by Moody's (poor PASD audit)	Baa2 - Negative Outlook
9/12/18	Prompted by Moody's (poor PASD audit)	Baa3 - Negative Outlook
11/20/21	\$4.585 million - General Obligation Bonds to refinance 2012 and 2016 - debt through May, 2031 --- at a higher rate (.42% through 4%) due to poor credit rating	Affirmed Baa3
3/13/23	PASD Requested Credit Opinion	Baa2 - Positive Outlook
4/18/24	PASD Requested Credit Opinion	Baa1
4/11/25	PASD Requested Credit Opinion	A3

Subject 2.5 Technology – Mr. Jerome Urban

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 Access Public
 Type Information

Subject 2.6 Curriculum - Mrs. Stephanie Buchanan

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1. It is recommended that the Board approve Director of Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment Dr. Jared Gerace to attend the PASCD for Educational Leaders in State College, PA; August 2-5, 2025 for Act 45 credit. The lodging, mileage and registration will not exceed \$1,200.00 and will be funded by the Ready to Learn Grant.

2. It is recommended that the Board approve the quote from SAVVAS Learning Company for Envision Math K-6 for 6 years at a total cost of \$318,794.30, which will be funded by the Ready to Learn Grant.

Subject 2.7 Food Service - Mr. Craig Shields

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 Category 2. GENERAL
 Access Public

Type	Information
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1. It is recommended that the Board approve Agreement for Participating in the Child Nutrition Program with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Schuylkill County AVTS Operating Agency, for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Subject	3.1 Announcement of Executive Session - Krista Bevan
Meeting	May 14, 2025 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Category	3. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Access	Public
Type	Information

An Executive Session was held on May 7, 2025 from 6:22 pm to 7:57 pm to discuss personnel matters. No action was taken.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Subject	4.1 Adjourn
Meeting	May 14, 2025 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Category	4. ADJOURNMENT
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to adjourn