

SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

13083 Buck Valley Road
WARFORDSBURG, PA 17267

May 20, 2025

6:30 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

The board meeting began at 7:01 p.m. in the library of the high school in Warfordsburg, Pennsylvania with visitors attending in person. The following members were present: Timothy Mellott, Jada Smith, Mark Mosemann, Jeff Hull, Jon Diffenderfer, Allen Morton, Tony Shives, and Patrick Bard. The meeting was conducted by the board president, Patrick Bard.

Also present were: Meredith Hendershot, superintendent; Laurel Keegan, director of special education; Jeremy Hollinshead, high school principal; Cindy Flaherty, director of educational support services; David Cason, director of operations; MaryAnn Johnson, board secretary; Anita Munson, Business Manager/Operations Coordinator

Also present via Google meet: Greg Gates, chief financial officer.

Visitors present were: Madison Turner, Amber Leader, Tammy Hixon, Joe Hollenshead

1. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to go into executive session for personnel reasons. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Executive session began at 7:03 p.m. and ended at 7:22 p.m.

2. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Patrick Bard.
3. Madison Turner introduced herself to the board.
4. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to grant that as the president of the board conducts this meeting, it is not necessary to announce each roll call vote. If, however, a director or directors, wish to comment or have his/her comment or vote specifically recorded, the director(s) shall have the opportunity to so state. The chair of the meeting, the president of the board, should announce before each roll call vote, that if he hears no objections from any member of the board present, the vote will be considered a unanimous roll call vote and so recorded. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
5. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting on April 15, 2025. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
6. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the payment of bills for April. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
7. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to

approve the investment report for April. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

8. A motion was made by Mr. Allen Morton and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to go into executive session for personnel reasons. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Executive session began at 7:25 p.m. and ended at 8:31 p.m.

9. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Timothy Mellott to table Heather Hollenshead's letter of intent to retire as a teacher effective on or near April 1, 2026. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
10. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation of Ryan McCray as boys' varsity assistant soccer coach, effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
11. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation of Dustin Mellott as elementary boys' basketball coach, effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
12. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation of Willis Hendershot as junior high basketball coach, effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
13. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation of Julie Dickerhoff as varsity volleyball coach, effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
14. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation of Julie Dickerhoff as national honor society advisor effective June 1, 2025. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
15. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to accept with regret the resignation of Carolyn Mottern as prom advisor, effective immediately. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
16. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to hire Ryan McCray as girls' varsity assistant soccer coach for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
17. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to hire Willis Hendershot as varsity boys head basketball coach for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
18. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to hire Logan Nally as boys' varsity head soccer coach for the 2025-2026 school year, pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

19. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to hire Amanda Keiper as National Honor Society Advisor for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
20. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to hire Mason Valenti as a step 1 column 1 junior high(7-8 grade) science teacher effective the start of the 2025-2026 school year, pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
21. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to hire Madison Turner as a step 1 column 1 elementary teacher effective the start of the 2025-2026 school year, pending completion of all paperwork. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
22. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to table an unpaid leave of absence under the FMLA of 1993 pursuant to the law and regulation for a professional employee from August 2025 through May 2026. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
23. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith for Suzanne Elbin as a mentor for Cherish Harvey for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year and into the 2025-2026 school year until April. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
24. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to appoint MaryAnn Johnson as board secretary to serve a four-year term effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2029. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
25. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to advertise for a varsity boys' assistant soccer coach for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
26. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to advertise for a junior high boys' assistant basketball coach for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
27. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to advertise for an elementary boys' head basketball coach. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
28. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to advertise for a varsity volleyball coach for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
29. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to advertise for a prom advisor for the 2025-2026 school year. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**
30. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to

approve the following job descriptions:

Business Manager/Operations Coordinator

Administrative Operations Specialist/Board Secretary

VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.

31. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hull to approve the list of seniors eligible for the Southern Fulton High School 2025 graduation, pending all graduation requirements are met. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

32. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hull to approve for 1st through 3rd grade students to go to the Fulton County Library and the Lions Park on June 16 & 24, 2025, & July 8, 15, 22, & 29, 2025, for reading remediation. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

33. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives for WAYS soccer to use the Elementary cafeteria/gym and field beside the district office on May 21, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for an end-of-the-season party. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

34. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve for Track & Field to use the High School cafeteria on May 25, 2025, from 5:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the end-of-the-season banquet. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

35. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the 2025-2026 Fulton County Center for Career & Technology Budget in the amount of \$1,293,617.00.

Allen Morton- yes	Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes	Jada Smith- yes
Tony Shives- yes	Jeff Hull- yes
Mark Mosemann- yes	Patrick Bard- yes

“8” yes “0” no members. Motion carried.

36. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the following positions for the 2025-2026 school year:

Truist as Treasurer

Truist as Depository of Funds

Allen Morton- yes	Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes	Jada Smith- yes
Tony Shives- yes	Jeff Hull- yes
Mark Mosemann- yes	Patrick Bard- yes

“8” yes “0” no members. Motion carried.

37. A motion was made by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer and seconded by Mrs. Jada Smith to approve the following cafeteria lunch prices for the 2025-2026 school year:

Elementary Breakfast- Free

Elementary Lunch- \$2.60

High School Breakfast- Free

High School Lunch- \$2.90

Adult Breakfast- \$2.95

Adult Lunch- \$4.85

Allen Morton- yes Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes Jada Smith- yes
Tony Shives- yes Jeff Hull- yes
Mark Mosemann- yes Patrick Bard- yes
"8" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

38. A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hull and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve Beard Legal Group PC, as solicitor for the 2025-2026 school year at a rate of \$180.00 per hour for special education, negotiations, labor and employment, and litigation.

Allen Morton- yes Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes Jada Smith- yes
Tony Shives- yes Jeff Hull- yes
Mark Mosemann- yes Patrick Bard- yes
"8" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

39. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Jon Diffenderfer to approve Dr. Rachael Kendall as school dentist at a rate of \$.80 per student for the 2024-2025, 2025-2026, & 2026-2027 school years.

Allen Morton- yes Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes Jada Smith- yes
Tony Shives- yes Jeff Hull- yes
Mark Mosemann- yes Patrick Bard- yes
"8" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

40. A motion was made by Mrs. Jada Smith and seconded by Mr. Tony Shives to approve the Business Manager/Operations Coordinator Contract effective May 21, 2025, through June 30, 2025.

Allen Morton- yes Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes Jada Smith- yes
Tony Shives- yes Jeff Hull- yes
Mark Mosemann- yes Patrick Bard- yes
"8" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

41. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Mosemann and seconded by Mr. Allen Morton to approve the tentative budget for the 2025-2026 school year for a total of \$15,916,085.00.

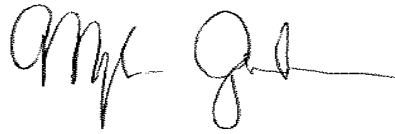
Allen Morton- yes Jon Diffenderfer- yes
Timothy Mellott- yes Jada Smith- yes
Tony Shives- yes Jeff Hull- yes
Mark Mosemann- yes Patrick Bard- yes
"8" yes "0" no members. Motion carried.

42. A motion was made by Mr. Timothy Mellott and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to approve the following taxes:

Real Estate Taxes	31.3774 Mills
Section 679 Per Capita Taxes	\$5.00
Act 511 Per Capita Taxes	\$5.00
Earned Income Tax	1%
Real Estate Transfer Tax	1%
Penalties	Maximum

43. A motion was made by Mr. Tony Shives and seconded by Mr. Mark Mosemann to adjourn the meeting. **VOICE VOTE, All in Favor. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "M. J. G.", written over a horizontal line.

Signature _

Date 6/25/2025