

POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Committee of the Whole Meeting

July 9, 2025 – 6:00 PM

Academic Center – Board Room

Board Members Present: Kerry Ansbach, Stephanie Buchanan, Harry Ciavarella, Rachael Hobbs, Craig Shields, Bob Thomas, Linda Wytovich

Board Members Absent: Dr. Ashley Dewitt, Jerome Urban

Administration Present: Dr. Alan Lonoconus, Intermittent Superintendent; Stephanie Wood, Business Manager

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Linda Wytovich.

Roll Call – 7 members present, 2 absent.

President Wytovich reminded the public that the public comment period is not a question-and-answer session, but an opportunity to make statements following established procedures. No public comments were offered.

2.1 Superintendent Report – Business Manager Mrs. Stephanie Wood

Mrs. Wood reviewed the following items for informational purposes:

1. Approval of Credits – Krista Bevan (3), Jamie Dawson (3), Teresa Glenn (3), Paula Heffner (3), Lori Yost (3)
2. Credit Reimbursements – Jamie Dawson (\$1,455.00), Michel German (\$3,426.00), Joseph Halko (\$2,400.00), Paula Heffner (\$1,605.00), Brent Hinkle (\$7,776.00), Jillian Strohecker (\$200.00)
3. Salary Adjustment – Rachelle Price (Master’s Degree)
4. Tenure – Angela Altemose, Dr. Kristin Durkee, Gregory Hoak, Nathaniel Libby, Stephen Messina, Allison Parker, Marissa Rhode, Miranda Schultz, Michala Zembas
5. Approval of 2025-2026 Dental Examiners at a rate of at most \$1.50 per exam – Dr. Joseph Chipriano, Dr. Scott Fellows, Dr. Brenda Jenkins, Dr. Elizabeth Puddu, Dr. Michael Smink, Geisinger Health Plan - Dental

2.2 Athletics and Extracurricular Activities – Mr. Craig Shields

Items reviewed included:

1. Approval of Game Worker Stipends for the 2025-2026 school year.
2. Approval to decommission 50 football helmets for scrap or novelty/decorative use only.
3. Approval of quote from Technology Recovery Group LTD for POS terminals for online ticketing - \$891.50.

2.3 Facilities and Grounds – Mr. Jerome Urban

Assistant Athletics Director, Mr. Scott Mattea, spoke about the online ticketing that is being implemented. There was no discussion.

Items reviewed included:

1. Rescind previously approved quote from PennStar for concrete work at JSC Elementary Center at \$95,790.
2. Approval of new quote from PennStar for concrete work at JSC Elementary Center at \$140,080.
3. Approval of bid from Sargent Enterprises for asbestos remediation at \$65,424 (funded by PDE Environmental Repairs Grant).
4. Use of Facilities Requests – DHHL Lower Parking Lot (Retroactive – June 21 & 22, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM); City of Pottsville Fire Chief (No cost); Natatorium – Stoic Aquatics (September 15, 2025 – March 30, 2025; Sundays 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM; Mondays-Wednesdays 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM).

2.4 Finance – Mr. Harry Ciavarella

Items reviewed included:

1. Comparison Expense and Revenue Reports/Summary.
2. Treasurer's Report.
3. Approval of LIEP Service Agreement with Schuylkill IU 29 for the 2025-2026 school year - \$23,660.00.
4. Approval of Speaking Agreement with Dr. Lew Losconcy for August 19, 2025 - \$2,700 (funded through Ready to Learn or BSCA grant funds).
5. Approval of agreement with River Rock Academy LLC for the 2025-2026 school year.

During discussion, Mr. Craig Shields asked how many slots the district has at River Rock for students. Mrs. Kelly Brennan, Special Education Director, responded that the district has five slots.

2.5 Technology – Mr. Jerome Urban

No additional items beyond those in the agenda.

2.6 Curriculum – Mrs. Stephanie Buchanan

No additional items beyond those in the agenda.

2.7 Policy and Procedure – Mr. Bob Thomas

Reviewed re-approval of Policy 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying (no revisions – required by PDE every three years).

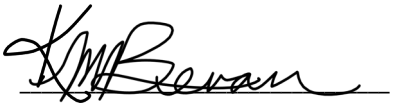
3. Executive Session

June 30, 2025 – 6:12 PM to 7:18 PM for personnel and legal matters.

July 7, 2025 – 6:01 PM to 7:08 PM for personnel.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Motion by Mr. Shields, seconded by Mrs. Buchanan. Motion carried.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Krista Bevan", written over a horizontal line.

Krista Bevan, Board Secretary