

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**September 16, 2025**

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Members present: Barry England, Ben Postles, Lois Brenneman, Joseph Detwiler, Jimmy Grager, Austin McMonagle, Adam Hileman, and Patty Kensinger

Members absent: Carlee Ranalli

Others present: Lisa Murgas, Jennifer Frederick, Jennifer Metzler, Liz Hileman, Jenn Norris, Natalie Gorsuch, and Connor Altoona Mirror

Items presented for discussion:**1. Policy Approval**

The following policies will be placed on preview:

#425 - *Dress and Grooming*

#451 - *Drug and Substance Abuse*

#819 - *Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response*

2. PA Leadership Charter School Agreement

The Board will be asked to approve the PA Leadership Charter School Agreement.

3. Williamsburg Police Memorandum of Understanding

The Board will be asked to approve the Williamsburg Police Memorandum of Understanding, as presented.

4. State Police Memorandum of Understanding

The Board will be asked to approve the State Police Memorandum of Understanding, as presented.

5. Fieldtrip Requests

The Board will be asked to approve the following fieldtrip requests:

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| R. Bechtel | 10/8/2025 | 35 FFA students to the Blair County Land Judging Competition, at a cost of \$440.71 (trans & sub). |
| R. Bechtel | 10/7/2025 | 9 FFA students to the Pennsylvania FFA Fall Leadership Conference at the Blair County Convention Center, at a cost of \$236.60 (sub & trans) |
| M. Russler | 10/9/2025 | 7 students to the Williamsburg Senior Center to make French recipes with the residents, at no cost to the district. |
| C. Loose | 10/16/2025 | 25 students to attend Health Quest Program at Mount Aloysius, at a cost of \$307.44 (trans & sub) |
| T. Totillo/
E. Veckov | 10/10/2025 | 35 Kindergarten students to JB Tree Farm, at no cost to the district. |
| C. Rhoads | 11/16/2025 | 2 students to the District Band pre-auditions at Conemaugh Township High School, at a cost of \$105.96 (trans and reg) |
| C. Rhoads | 10/19/2025 | 2 students to the District Chorus pre-auditions at Shanksville High School, at a cost of \$105.68 (trans and reg) |

6. Teacher Tenure

The Board will be asked to approve the following teachers' tenure:

Michaela Detwiler *Matthew Karabinos*
Amber Rhodes

7. IU8 Substitute Teachers

This line item will be Tabled.

8. Appointment - Varsity Boys' Basketball Assistant Coach - Mitch Yeager

The Board will be asked to appoint Mitch Yeager as Varsity Boys' Basketball Assistant Coach at a stipend of \$3,269, for the 2025-26 season.

9. Appointment - Varsity Boys' Basketball Volunteer - Travis Prough

The Board will be asked to appoint Travis Prough as Varsity Boys' Basketball Volunteer, for the 2025-26 season.

10. Appointment - Varsity Boys' Basketball Volunteer - Dustin Prough

The Board will be asked to appoint Dustin Prough as Varsity Boys' Basketball Volunteer, for the 2025-26 season.

11. Appointment - Junior High Boys' Basketball Volunteer - Shane Brantner

The Board will be asked to appoint Shane Brantner as Junior High Boys' Basketball Volunteer, for the 2025-26 season.

12. Transportation of Students

The board will be asked to approve the bus drivers and routes for the 2025-26 school year, as presented.

13. Resignation - Full Time Maintenance - Richard Eastep

The Board will be asked to approve Richard Eastep's letter of resignation as Full Time Maintenance, with regret, effective October 3, 2025.

14. Appointment - Part-Time Paraprofessional - Christina (Nichols) Snyder

The Board will be asked to approve the appointment of Christina (Nichols) Snyder, effective August 21, 2025, at a rate of \$11/hour per the negotiated contract.

15. Memorandum of Understanding with Williamsburg Community Educational Support Personnel Association

The Board will be asked to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Williamsburg Community Educational Support Personnel Association, to increase Karen Price's hourly wage to \$14.50 as head cook, effective September 17, 2025.

16. Appointment - Head Cook - Karen Price

The Board will be asked to appoint Karen Price as Head Cook, effective September 17, 2025, at a rate of \$14.50/hour.

17. Appointment - Assistant Cook - Lacie Merritts

The Board will be asked to appoint Lacie Merritt's as Assistant Cook, effective September 17, 2025, at a rate of \$11.35/hour, per the negotiated contract.

18. Substitute Driver - Lisa Gipson

The Board will be asked to add Lisa Gipson as Substitute Driver for the 2025-26 school year.

19. Use of Facilities

The Board will be asked to approve the following Use of Facilities request.

- a) Mandi Prough on behalf of the Williamsburg Volunteer Fire Company is requesting the use of the Elementary Kitchen on October 18, 2025 from 9am - 6pm to prepare a fundraiser meal, pending proof of insurance.
- b) Jimmy Grager, on behalf of the youth football league, is requesting the use of the High School Football Field and concession booth, on a date to be determined for flag and tackle games, pending proof of insurance.
- c) Jennifer Frederick, on behalf of Student Council, is requesting the use of the high school for the annual Haunted Hallways in October 2025.

An Executive Session was held from 7:19-7:34 for personnel and school safety purposes.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Board Secretary