

Central Bucks School District
School Board Brief
November 20, 2025

At the November 20, 2025 School Board Meeting, the Central Bucks Board of School Directors:

Announced that the Board met in Executive Session just prior to this evening's meeting on November 20, 2025.

Announced that the Board will vote this evening to appoint Dr. Malone as Interim Superintendent, and vote on an engagement with BCIU for a Superintendent Search.

Heard Superintendent's Report: Dr. Malone and Mr. Jaffe recognized and congratulated Unami Middle School student Mabel R. for her winning lock screen artwork based on the theme "See the good, be the good through kindness". Mabel was presented with a certificate and a gift card to Panera restaurant. Dr. Malone shared information about the CB Farmer's Market that operates on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at Barclay Elementary School. Dr. Malone spoke about the cell phone and personal electronic device usage in schools. Dr. Malone shared an update from the recent Vision 2023 comprehensive planning meeting. Dr. Malone congratulated the CB East Girls Soccer Team for the PIAA Championship. Dr. Malone shared some items that appear on this evening's agenda, including the Transportation contract, the CB East pool dedication, a new advertising AR, and Programs of Studies for middle and high schools. Dr. Malone thanked outgoing board members Rob Dugger, Jim Pepper, and Jenine Zdanowicz and presented them with plaques.

Heard Public Comment about agenda items:

1. CB student Kaylee Gray spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
2. CB student Bella Sailor spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
3. CB student Ella Richey spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
4. CB student Isabelle DiMattia spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
5. CB student Lily Fisher spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
6. CB student Mallory Sexton spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
7. CB student Alyssa Hathaway spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
8. CB student Charlize Raysky spoke in support of her Cheerleading coaches.
9. Edward Mackouse spoke in support of honoring swim coaches Ed Walsh and Tom Kane. Mr. Mackouse spoke about cheer coach suspensions and about encouraging children.
10. Kevin McCann spoke in support of the dedication of the CB East pool and spoke about coaches Ed Walsh and Tom Kane.
11. Sean Wild spoke about coach leadership and follow-up exhibited following his child's sports injury and thanked Dr. Malone for his leadership.

Approved the minutes of the October 16, 2025 School Board Meeting.

Reviewed School Board Reports:

Education Committee.

Policy Committee.

Finance and Operations Committee.

Bucks County Intermediate Unit.

Middle Bucks Institute of Technology.

Approved Business Department Items:

Financial Reports.

Accounts Payable Check Disbursements in the amount of \$7,136,026.69.

Staff conferences and workshops in the amount of \$4,635.00.

Pupil Services Request for Proposal (RFP) Vendor.

Approved Other Board Action Items:

Appointment of Charles Malone, Ed.D. as Interim Superintendent, effective October 16, 2025.

BCIU Superintendent Search Agreement at a Cost Not to Exceed \$10,000.00.

Appointment of Marc S. Fisher, Esq., of Gross McGinley LLP as Homeschool Curriculum Hearing Examiner and Residency Hearing Officer on an as-needed basis.

Ratification of Contract between the Central Bucks School District and the Central Bucks Transportation Association.

CB South Targeted School Improvement Plan Program.

Resolution Dedicating and Naming the CB East Swimming Pool "Ed Walsh and Tom Kane Natatorium".

SOS Group, Inc. Addendum for Interim CFO David Matyas.

BCIU Agreement to Provide Human Resources Services.

Approved Operations Department Items:

\$12,500.00 Contract with Future Think for Demographic Boundary Services for Mill Creek & Butler.

\$171,975.00 Proposal from Websters Fitness for CB West Downstairs Fitness Center Upgrades.

\$25,000.00 CB South Addition and Renovations Project Land Development and Financial Security Agreement with Warrington Township.

\$28,575.00 Professional Services Agreement with GKO Architects for a Classroom Modification at Tamanend Middle School.

\$59,078.00 Professional Services Agreement with GKO Architects to design the Water System Treatment Building for CB East and Holicong MS.

\$16,975.00 Professional Services Agreement with Snyder Hoffman Associates for the CB West Woodshop HVAC Replacement.

\$43,452.00 Professional Services Agreement with Gilmore & Associates for design of the 2026 District Paving Project.

\$67,000.00 Professional Services Agreement with FVHD Architects for Design of the 2026 Roofing Replacement Projects.

Advertising Administrative Regulation & RFP.

Additional First Student Staff for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Approved Special Education Department Items:
IEP Waiver Agreement with no fiscal impact.
Settlement Agreement in the amount of \$287,850.00.

Approved Student Services Item: Hearing Officer's recommendation to disenroll one student as a non-resident.

Approved Education Items: Biology Resource in the amount of \$130,074.84.
2026-2027 Program of Studies for Middle Schools and High Schools.

Approved Policy: Moved to Table for First Read Policy 113 Special Education; Policy 317 Discipline Procedures for Staff; and Policy 800.2 Recording.

Approved Field Trips:

CB East Global Relations Classes in December 2025.
CB South Wrestling in December 2025.
Tamanend 8th-Grade Chorus in December 2025.
Unami 7th-Grade in December 2025.
Tamanend 8th-Grade Chorus in December 2025.
CB South Wrestling in December 2025.
CB South, Unami, and Tamanend Wrestling in December 2025.
CB South Cheerleaders in January 2026
Tamanend 8th-Grade in January 2026.
Tamanend 9th-Grade in January 2026.
Tamanend Chorus in February 2026.
CB South Baseball in March 2026.
Tamanend Chorus in April 2026.
CB South Music Department in April 2026.
Unami 8th-Grade Advanced Social Studies Classes in May 2026.
Tamanend and CB West Choral Groups in May 2026.
Tamanend 8th-Grade in May 2026.
Tamanend Music Department in May 2026.
Unami 7th-Grade Ignite Team in May 2026.

Approved Human Resources Department Items:

Retirement, Resignations, and Terminations.
Leaves of Absence.
Appointments.
Assignment Changes.
Activities EDRs and Athletic Points.
New Positions.

Reviewed Reports and Information Items:

Student Activity Encumbrance Reports.
Leaves of Absence Report.
Job Descriptions: Event Security Personnel; Sound & Lighting Technician.

Heard Public Comment:

1. Ed Mackouse spoke about President Trump, avoiding a nuclear war, climate change hoax, deaths due to Covid hoax, autism rates, and Robert F. Kennedy Jr. having overcome his problems.
2. Marion Mass thanked Mr. Pepper for his public service and spoke about Mr. Pepper's perseverance.
3. Kate Bowdon spoke in support of the CB East Cheerleading coaches.
4. Vonna DeArmond thanked Mr. Pepper for his service and spoke of Mr. Pepper's moral compass.
5. Debra Cannon thanked Mr. Pepper for his courage, sacrifice, and stewardship. Mrs. Cannon spoke about controversies within the district, her obligation to the children of the community, and the district having moved far from its mission of educating children with honesty, integrity, and transparency.
6. Lisa Sciscio thanked Mr. Pepper for his service and spoke about our broken system.
7. Art Larson spoke about infiltration, Doylestown Borough not supporting ICE, and organized crime.
8. Matt Silverhardt spoke about selective compassion.

Heard Board Comment:

Mrs. Gibson thanked outgoing board members and wished them the best.

Mrs. Smith thanked outgoing board members and wished them well.

Mr. Pepper thanked friends who supported him and his wife. Mr. Pepper spoke about his family being threatened, the newly elected sheriff and District Attorney, and said that we should all stand together to defend the defenseless, but we did not. Mr. Pepper spoke about the systemic failure here at the district, said that litigation is coming, and spoke about dealing with what this has done to his son and to the other children in the classroom.

Mrs. Zdanowicz spoke about her time of service on the school board, congratulated newly elected board members, and thanked CB staff.