



**Wednesday, December 3, 2025
Reorganization Board Meeting**

**POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
DHH LENGEL MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
7:00 p.m.**

1. MEETING OPENING

Subject	1.1 Opening and Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	1. MEETING OPENING
Access	Public
Type	Action, Procedural

Subject	1.2 Amend Agenda
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	1. MEETING OPENING
Access	Public
Type	Action, Procedural

1. It is recommended that the Board amend the agenda for this evenings meeting to include the resignation of Linda Wytovich, School Board of Directors President.

Motion to approve as recommended.

2. It is recommended that the Board amend the agenda for this evenings meeting to authorize the advertising of the Board vacancy created as a result of the resignation.

Motion to approve as recommended.

Subject	1.3 Public Comment
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Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	1. MEETING OPENING
Access	Public
Type	Information, Procedural

Board Statement

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. If members of the public wish to make public comments, then they must do so in person. Public comments will follow School Board Policy 903 and public comment procedures. Members of the public who are residents and/or taxpayers of the school district who wish to comment shall identify themselves by indicating name, address, and topic upon which they want to address. If the subject matter is on the agenda, such persons shall be given priority over residents and/or taxpayers who want to comment on non-agenda items. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes. The public comment segment of each Board meeting shall be a maximum of one (1) hour per public meeting. Anyone who does not get the opportunity to speak because of the expiration of this one (1) hour time period shall be afforded a priority speaking position at the next public Board meeting. After the School Board agenda is posted online, questions may be emailed to kbevan@pottsville.k12.pa.us by 2:00 PM the day of the meeting. Questions will be forwarded to all Board members. The meeting will be available online.

Are there any public comments at this time?

Subject	1.4 Board of Directors - Roll Call
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	1. MEETING OPENING
Access	Public
Type	Procedural

2. REORGANIZATION MEETING - Proposed Order of Business

Subject	2.1 Name Temporary President and Elect President and Vice President
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	2. REORGANIZATION MEETING - Proposed Order of Business
Access	Public
Type	

POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT - Election Year**REORGANIZATION MEETING - DECEMBER 3, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.**

1. Secretary reads Sections 402 and 404 of the School Code.

SECTION 402. Notice of Organization Meetings; Temporary Officers; etc. – All members of the board of school directors in every school district shall be given five days' notice, by mail, by the secretary of the retiring board, of the time and place of meeting for organization, at which time and place, if a majority are present, an organization shall be effected as follows: In districts of the first class there shall be elected from the hold-over members a temporary president and secretary; and in all other school districts there shall be elected from the hold-over members a temporary president, and the secretary of the board shall act as secretary of such meeting. The certificates of the election or appointment of all new school directors shall be read, and a list of the legally elected or appointed and qualified school directors prepared. If any of the members have not taken and subscribed to the oath of office required by this act, the same may be administered to them by the temporary president.
(403 amended June 2, 1965, P.L. 86, No. 59)

SECTION 404. Districts Second, Third and Fourth Class Permanent Organization; Election of Officers. – In each school district of the second, third and fourth class, the school directors shall effect a permanent organization by electing, during the first week of December, from their members, a president and vice-president, each to serve for one year, and shall annually, during the month of May, elect a treasurer to serve for one year, beginning the first day of July following such election, and shall, during the month of May, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three, and every four years thereafter, elect a secretary for a term of four years, beginning the first day of July following such election. The treasurer may be any corporation duly qualified and legally authorized to transact a fiduciary business in the Commonwealth. Vacancies in the office of secretary shall be filled for the unexpired term. In school districts of the second class the secretary and treasurer shall not be members of the board. In districts of the third and fourth class they may be members of the board. The same person shall not hold at the same time more than one of the offices of president, vice-president, secretary or treasurer of any board of school directors.
No superintendent, assistant superintendent, supervising principal, or teacher shall serve, either temporarily or permanently, as an officer of the school board by which he is employed.
(404 amended Dec. 14, 1967, P.L. 837, No. 363)

2. Secretary reads NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING sent to all members.

SPECIAL MEETING

In compliance with Sections 402 and 404 of the School Code of the State of Pennsylvania, the Board of Directors of the Pottsville Area School District will hold its Reorganization Meeting on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the DHH Lengel Middle School Auditorium for the purpose of electing a President and Vice President for the ensuing year; and also for Certificates of Election for the Directors just elected, and general purposes.

3. Board member appoints a Temporary President of the meeting.
4. Temporary President asks for the Certificates of Election for the directors just elected.
5. Board accepts the Certificates of Election of Directors just elected.
6. The OATH OF OFFICE is now administered to each newly elected director.
 - (The Oath must be signed by Director and Person who administered the Oath).
 - (Board Secretary will see that each Director has copy of Oath).
7. Temporary President declares meeting in order to proceed with the election of a President and Vice President for the ensuing year.
8. Nominations for President. (Nomination and second)
9. Close nominations for President. (Motion and second)
10. Cast the ballot and declare President elected. (Roll call vote)
11. President takes over the meeting and states we will proceed with the election of a Vice President.
12. Nominations for Vice President. (Nomination and second)
13. Close nominations for Vice President. (Motion and second)
14. Cast the ballot and declare Vice President elected. (Roll call vote)
15. General Purposes (See agenda)

3. GENERAL PURPOSES - Board President

Subject	3.1 Announcement of Board Meetings for Year 2025
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	3. GENERAL PURPOSES - Board President
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

It is recommended that the Board approve the following Board and Committee Meeting dates for 2026:

BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2026

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2026

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026 - Final Budget Approval

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2026

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2026

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2026

* WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2026 - Reorganization Meeting

ALL BOARD MEETINGS AT 7 PM IN DHHL MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Committee of the Whole Meeting dates will be held at 6 PM in the Academic Center Board Room on the second Wednesday of the month with no Committee Meeting in December. Additionally, Finance Committee will meet at 5:30 PM during the months of February, March, April, and May, 2026 at 5:30 PM before the Committee of the Whole Meetings.

Motion to approve as recommended.

Subject	3.2 Authorize to Advertise for Board Meetings and Committee of the Whole Meetings
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	3. GENERAL PURPOSES - Board President
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

It is recommended that the Board authorize to advertise for Board Meeting and Committee of the Whole Meetings.

Motion to authorize as recommended.

Subject	3.3 Resignation of Board Member
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	3. GENERAL PURPOSES - Board President

Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the letter of resignation from Linda Wytovich, School Board of Directors President, effective December 3, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to authorize as recommended.

Subject	3.4 Authorize to Advertise for Board Member Vacancy
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	3. GENERAL PURPOSES - Board President
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

1. It is recommended that the Board approve permission to advertise for the Board Member vacancy created as a result of Ms. Wytovich's resignation.

Motion to authorize as recommended.

4. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Subject	4.1 Minutes for November 2025 and December 2025 meetings
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	4. BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve minutes as recommended.

Minutes for November 2025 and December 2025 meetings will be approved at the January 21, 2026 Board Meeting.

Can I please have a motion to approve as recommended?

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS - Mrs. Stephanie Wood

Subject	5.1 Financial Reports
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	5. FINANCIAL REPORTS - Mrs. Stephanie Wood
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

All Finance reports will be approved at the January 21, 2026 meeting due to the timing of the Reorganization Meeting.

1. It is recommended that the Board approve permission to advertise for Bids for the high school cafeteria renovation and reflooring.

Could I please have a motion to approve as recommended?

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. SOLICITOR'S REPORT - KEVIN REID, ATTORNEY AT LAW

Subject	7.1 Discipline Waiver
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	7. SOLICITOR'S REPORT - KEVIN REID, ATTORNEY AT LAW
Access	Public
Type	

It is recommended that the Board approve the following Discipline Waiver, effective December 3, 2025.

* #31-8487

Could I please have a motion to approve as recommended?

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - DR. GUY LOWERY

Subject	8.1 Pre-approval of Credits
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting

Category	8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - DR. GUY LOWERY
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

It is recommended that the Superintendent's pre-approval of credit hours indicated for the following professional employee(s) be ratified in accordance with the negotiated agreement between PASD and the PASDEA:

McKayla Gilbert - 3 Credits
Kayla Watt - 3 Credits

Could I please have a motion to approve as recommended?

9. INFORMATION

Subject	9.1 Federal Programs
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	9. INFORMATION
Access	Public
Type	Information

Subject	9.2 Crimson Tide Foundation
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	9. INFORMATION
Access	Public
Type	Information

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Subject	10.1 Athletics and Extracurricular Activities - Mr. Craig Shields
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting

Category	10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

Subject	10.2 Facilities and Grounds - Mr. Kerry Ansbach
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Information

Subject	10.3 Finance - Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

It is recommended by the Finance Committee that the Board approve the following:

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the Resolution that authorizes Dr. Guy Lowery, Superintendent, to sign any and all electronic contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses with the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Motion to approve as recommended.

Subject	10.4 Transportation - Mrs. Ashley DeWitt
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting

Category	10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action

Subject	10.5 Personnel - Mrs. Ashley Dewitt
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve/accept as recommended.

Subject	10.6 Promotion, Public Relations & Social Media - Mrs. Stephanie Buchanan
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Information

1. Congratulations to Juleon Bainbridge, PAHS 2025 Football Scholar Athlete.
2. Thank you to Schuylkill County District Attorney Mike O'Pake for the presentation of "Beware What You Share" on November 4th, which provided DHHL Middle School Students with important information about the dangers of cyberbullying and sending inappropriate images.
3. Thank you PAHS coaches, wrestlers, and all who attended the Annual Charity Match on November 21st to benefit the Hillside SPCA.

Subject	10.7 Technology - Mr. Bob Thomas
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Meeting Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting

Category 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Access Public

Type Information

Subject 10.8 Curriculum - Mrs. Stephanie Buchanan

Meeting Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting

Category 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Access Public

Type Information

Subject 10.9 Policy and Procedure - Mr. Bob Thomas

Meeting Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting

Category 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Access Public

Type Information

Subject 10.10 Food Services - Mr. Craig Shields

Meeting Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting

Category 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Access Public

Type Information

Subject	10.11 Labor Relations - Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Information

11. INFORMATION BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Subject	11.1 Legislation - Mrs. Stephanie Buchanan
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	11. INFORMATION BOARD MEMBER REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Information, Reports

Subject	11.2 IU 29 Representative - Mr. Bob Thomas
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	11. INFORMATION BOARD MEMBER REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Information, Reports

Subject	11.3 St. Clair Committee – Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	11. INFORMATION BOARD MEMBER REPORTS
Access	Public
Type	Information, Reports

Subject	11.4 PSBA Representative – Mrs. Rachael Hobbs
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	11. INFORMATION BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Access	Public
Type	Information

12. NEW BUSINESS

Subject	12.1 Upcoming Events
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	12. NEW BUSINESS
Access	Public
Type	Information

December 6, 2025 - PAHS Winter Formal

December 23, 2025 - Holiday Early Dismissal

December 24, 2025 - January 4, 2026 - Holiday Break

Subject	12.2 Use of Facilities
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	12. NEW BUSINESS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to approve as recommended.

Subject	12.3 Meeting Dates
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	12. NEW BUSINESS
Access	Public

Type

Information

Committee of the Whole Meeting - Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 6:00 pm in the Board Room of the Academic Center.

Board Meeting - Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the DHHL Middle School Auditorium.

13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Subject	13.1 Executive Session
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION
Access	Public
Type	Information

14. ADJOURNMENT

Subject	14.1 Adjourn
Meeting	Dec 3, 2025 - Reorganization Board Meeting
Category	14. ADJOURNMENT
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to adjourn