KARNS CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD ACTION

January 12, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

--The regular meeting was called to order by Mr. Price at 8:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

--Approved minutes of the December 4, 2025, regular and reorganization meeting, as submitted.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

--Nathan Hess shared information relating to the fall activities of the Student Council beginning with coordination of the pep rally during Homecoming week, including Spirit Week and the Homecoming dance. The Student Council was only able to hold one blood drive this year, despite two being scheduled. The second was cancelled because of the snow day at the school. There will be another blood drive scheduled for February. The Student Council also held a trunk or treat activity and also accepted donations to the Backpack Program through a dress up activity. The Student Council also hosted a Veteran's Day Assembly which they proudly put together to honor the veterans. The Volleyball Tournament at Christmas was very successful and the Student Council was able to support two local food banks. The Committees have been busy as well. The Government Committee recently interviewed Mrs. Knoll to find out more about her role. The Appreciation Committee is preparing gifts for the District Office to thank them for their efforts. The Spirit Committee will be selling foam fingers at an upcoming basketball game. In February, the Student Council will be doing the annual carnation sale. Soon the Committees will pick new semester topics.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

--Mr. Morgan Mogus addressed the Board regarding two topics. First, Mr. Mogus noted that by approving the Public School Facilities Improvement Grant program, the District would need to have a minimum 25% match. In addition, Mr. Mogus commented that during his campaign to be elected to the School Board, Sugarcreek Elementary was an important topic to him. Mr. Mogus complemented the School Board as he felt that the bid of $243,000, which was slated for approval, was a very fair amount of money to spend on the abatement and razing of Sugarcreek Elementary.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD LIAISONS

Cafeteria	Hackwelder	Boltz	Kelly
Athletics	Ealey	Price	Boltz
Transportation	Summerville	Hackwelder	Harmon
Buildings and Grounds	Price	Summerville	Weibel
Student Activities	Harmon	Bray	Kelly
Curriculum and Textbooks	Boltz	Summerville	Harmon
Policy	Hackwelder	Harmon	Bray
Finance	Weibel	Boltz	Summerville
Personnel	Bray	Weibel	Harmon
Capital Reserve	Kelly	Weibel	Ealey
BCAVTS	Kelly	Ealey	

CAFETERIA

--Approved Cafeteria Financial Statement, as submitted.
--Approved Cafeteria Bills, as submitted.

ATHLETICS

--No Report.

TRANSPORTATION

--No Report.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

--Approved requests for Use of School Facilities, as submitted.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

--Approved field trip(s), as submitted.

CURRICULUM AND TEXTBOOKS

--Approved the revised agreement between the Karns City Area School District and MIU-IV for a Inclusion/SEL Support Teacher, with a daily rate of $550.00 for nineteen weeks, with a total amount of $10,450.00. This service will begin on January 12, 2026, as submitted.
--Approved the agreement between Karns City Area School District and Merakey Pennsylvania, for services provided. This service will begin on August 1, 2025 and terminate on July 31, 2026, as submitted.
--Approved the Driver Education Behind the Wheel Program for the summer of 2026 with a lab fee of $250, as submitted. (same fee as last year)

POLICY

--Approved the second and final read of Policy 105.2 – Exemption from Instruction, as submitted.
--Approved the second and final read of Policy 122 – Extracurricular Activities, as submitted.
--Approved the second and final read of Policy 122.1 – Noncurriculum Related, Nonschool-Sponsored, Student Initiated Groups, as submitted.
--Approved the second and final read of Policy 816 – District Social Media, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 006 – Meetings, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 204 - Attendance, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 218.1 - Weapons as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 611 – Purchases Budgeted, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 805 – Emergency Preparedness and Response, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 805.1 – Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Policy 805.2 – School Security Personnel, as submitted.

FINANCE

--Approved General Fund Bills, as submitted.
--Approved Treasurer's Report, as submitted.
--Approved Student Activity Fund Report, as submitted.

--Approved the resolution for the Public School Facility Improvement Grant requesting $598,250.00 to be applied to the incurred costs of replacing the Karns City Jr. Sr. High School roof and authorizing the Superintendent and Director of Business Affairs to execute all documents pertaining to the Grant application, as submitted.

PERSONNEL

--Appointed Mrs. Belinda Blystone as school tax collector for Karns City Borough, as submitted.
--Appointed Mrs. Angela Christy as deputy school tax collector for Karns City Borough, as submitted.
--Approved travel request(s), as submitted.
--Approved the addition(s)/deletion(s) to the substitute list for the 2025-2026 school year pending successful completion of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151, Act 168 and results of a current tuberculosis test, as submitted.

- Add: Mrs. Natalie Goodman – Substitute Teacher
- Add: Mrs. Caitlin Walker – Substitute Teacher
- Add: Ms. Lacey Engelbrecht – Substitute Paraprofessional
- Remove: Ms. Barb Hanlon – Substitute Cafeteria Worker

--Hired Mr. Xander Sheakley for the position of Custodian at a rate of $15.00 per hour, per the current support staff collective bargaining agreement, effective upon a mutually agreeable date, pending successful completion and receipt of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151, Act 168, physical and the results of a current tuberculosis test.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Alison Carey, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2025-2026 school year, as submitted.
--Approved the addition(s)/deletion(s) to the volunteer list, as submitted for the 2025-2026 school year, pending successful completion of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151, Act 168, as submitted.

- Add: Tyler Callihan – Junior High Baseball
- Add: Charlene Krecota – Musical
- Remove: Marc Christie – Junior High Baseball

--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Kyleigh Spirnock, Marching Band Third Assistant, effective January 6, 2026, as submitted.
--Authorized the administration to post/advertise the following supplemental position, as submitted.

- Marching Band Third Assistant

--Approved the addition(s)/deletion(s) to supplemental positions for the 2025-2026 school year pending successful completion and receipt of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151, Act 168, as submitted.

- Hire: Terry Mackrell – Percussion Ensemble
- Hire: Isabella Kemmer – Fourth Assistant Volleyball Coach
- Remove: Kyleigh Spirnock – Marching Band Third Assistant

--Rescinded hiring Ms. Sara Jeffries to the positon of Part-Time Cafeteria Worker.
--Hired Ms. Morgan Kriley for the position of Part-Time Cafeteria Worker at a rate of $14.00 per hour, per the current support staff collective bargaining agreement, effective upon a mutually agreeable date, pending successful completion and receipt of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151, Act 168, physical and the results of a current tuberculosis test.
--Approved the unpaid leave request for Ms. Deborah Dunkle, part-time Cafeteria Worker, effective January 26, 2026, and return date to be determined, exhausting all available sick and personal time, with additional days as unpaid leave, as submitted.
--Approved the unpaid leave request for Mrs. Stacey Slaughenhoupt, part-time Cafeteria Worker, effective January 7, 2026, as submitted.
--Hired Ms. Carli Crawford for the position of part-time Paraprofessional at a rate of $14.00 per hour, per the current support staff collective bargaining agreement, effective upon a mutually agreeable date,

pending successful completion and receipt of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151, Act 168, physical and the results of a current tuberculosis test.

CAPITAL RESERVE

--Approved Capital Projects Bill(s), as submitted.
--Approved Capital Fund Bill(s), as submitted.
--Authorized the Administration to accept the bid from Ritenour & Sons Construction for the Demolition of Sugarcreek Elementary School in the amount of $243,000.00, as submitted.

BCAVTS REPORT

--No Report.

MISCELLANEOUS

--Approved the amended 2025-2026 School Calendar to reflect December 22, 2025, as an Act 80 Day, as submitted.
--Approved the donation of $2,373.51 from Sonneborn, LLC, as submitted.
--Declared the list of items submitted by Dr. Stimac of no value to the District and authorized the Administration to donate or dispose of items, as submitted.
--Approved the 2026-2027 School Calendar, as submitted.

ADJOURNMENT

--The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.