



**Wednesday, February 11, 2026
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
HOWARD S. FERNISLER ACADEMIC CENTER
6:00 p.m.**

1. MEETING OPENING

Subject 1.1 Opening - Mr. Harry Ciavarella / Pledge

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Access Public

Type Information, Procedural

Subject 1.2 Roll Call - Mrs. Krista Bevan

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Subject 1.3 Public Comment

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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. Public comments will follow our public comment procedures which require members of the public to identify themselves by indicating name and address. If members of the public wish to make public comments, then they must do so in person.

Are there any public comments at this time?

2. GENERAL

Subject	2.1 Superintendent Report - Dr. Guy Lowery
Meeting	Feb 11, 2026 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
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Items for Discussion:

Comprehensive Plan

Under Solicitor's Report:

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Discipline Waivers, effective February 18, 2026.
 - 29-0110
 - 28-0449

Subject	2.2 Athletics and Extracurricular Activities - Mr. Craig Shields
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1. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation from Serenity Allen as JV Softball Coach, effective February 19, 2026.
2. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation from Ava Bowers as Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach, effective February 19, 2026.
3. It is recommended Board accept the resignation from Mark Laubenstine as Head Junior High Track Coach, effective February 19, 2026.
4. It is recommended that the Board approve Rachael Bowers as JV Assistant Softball Coach at a stipend of \$2,400, effective February 19, 2026.
5. It is recommended that the Board approve Bryana Snowell as Junior High Softball Assistant Coach at a stipend of \$2,400, effective February 19, 2026.
6. It is recommended that the Board approve Lacey Timony as Junior High Track Assistant Coach at a stipend of \$2,000, effective February 19, 2026.
7. It is recommended that the Board approve Serenity Allen as Volunteer JV Softball Coach, effective February 19, 2026.

- 8. It is recommended that the Board approve Mr. Pete Sanfilippo, Athletic Director, to attend the PSADA (Pennsylvania School Athletic Directors Association) Annual Conference in Hershey, PA; March 17-20, 2026. Approximate cost \$828.98
- 9. It is recommended that the Board approve the contract with Digital Scoreboards (CoStars #032-E22-O52) for the Alumni Field new digital scoreboard including the installation, removal and disposal of the existing scoreboard, funded through the St. Luke’s Contract to total \$23,345, pending solicitor review.
- 10. It is recommended that the Board approve the contract renewal of NFHS (National Federation of State High School Associations, pending solicitor review.
- 11. It is recommended that the board approve the fundraising letter of intent and subsequent purchase commitment for the Luxedo Projection System for Martz Hall at a potential cost not to exceed \$77,000, pending solicitor review.

Discussion:

Installation of the District XI Hall of Fame Kiosk at Martz Hall; Pottsville can add its Hall of Fame at no cost.

Subject	2.3 Facilities and Grounds - Mr. Harry Ciavarella
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Facilities and Grounds Agenda

- 1. It is recommended that adopt a resolution in support of the District pursuing a Public School Facility Improvement Grant through the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for renovations to the High School. Grant max is \$5,000,000; GF/CR - 25% match of awarded total.
- 2. It is recommended that the Board approve permission to advertise a Request for Proposal (RFP) for an Enrollment and Educational Space Study of all school buildings.
- 3. It is recommended that the Board approve permission to seek bids to resurface the Veterans Memorial Stadium track.
- 4. It is recommended that the Board approve permission to seek bids for the Steidle Field baseball and softball field backstop upgrades.
- 5. It is recommended that the Board approve the contract extension with the Edwin L. Heim company for HVAC maintenance services.

2/1/2026 through 6/30/2026 for \$45,500
 7/1/2026 through 6/30/2027 for \$145,493

Use of Facilities Requests:

N/A

Subject	2.4 Finance - Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Meeting	Feb 11, 2026 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
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Finance Committee Agenda

1. Treasurer's Report (All Funds) - **General Fund Balance as of January 30, 2025 - \$6,666,181.57, Cafeteria Checking Balance as of January 30, 2025 - \$867,362.32.**
2. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Revenue Report
3. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Expenditure Report
4. Cafeteria Condensed Board Summary Report
5. Payment Summary - General Fund, Food Service
6. Budget Transfers
7. It is recommended that the Board approve the Special Education Service Agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and the Schuylkill IU 29 for the 2025-2026 school year, totaling \$870,717, payable in four scheduled installments of \$217,679, pending solicitor review.
8. It is recommended that the Board approve the filing of the Act 80 paperwork by Berkheimer at a cost of \$775.
9. It is recommended that the Board approve the agreement with Pennsylvania Trust, partnered with Conrad Siegel to provide the actuarial services for the Pottsville Area School District per GASB 75, effective July 1, 2026, pending solicitor review.

Informational/Discussion

1. Comparison Expense and Revenue Reports/Summary
2. Treasurer's Report
3. School year 2026-2027 Budget Timelines

Subject 2.5 Technology - Mr. Bob Thomas

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1. It is recommended that the Board approve the decommissioning of antiquated technology items as listed on the supporting documentation.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the sale of antiquated technology items as listed on the supporting documentation.
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the disposal of antiquated technology items as listed on the supporting documentation.

Subject 2.6 Transportation - Dr. Ashley DeWitt

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1. It is recommended that the Board ratify the three-year Transportation Procedures Agreement MOU and Transportation Plan between Pottsville Area School District and Schuylkill County Children and Youth Services, pending solicitor review.

Subject 2.7 Policy & Procedure - Mrs. Rachael Hobbs

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It is recommended by the Policy and Procedure Committee that the Board approve the following revised policies:

- Policy 610 - Finances - Purchases Subject to Bid/Question (*First Reading)
- Policy 611 - Finances - Purchases Budgeted (*First Reading)
- Policy 626 - Finances - Procurement - Federal Programs Attachment (*First Reading)

Subject	2.8 Promotion, Public Relations & Social Media - Mr. Kyle Crouse
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Pottsville Area School District wishes to thank Coach Bowers and his team for their efforts with cleaning and refreshing the softball office. We are thankful for your commitment to making the Pottsville softball program the best in the area!

We would also like to thank the girls basketball coach Damian Fritz, and his in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard, for not only their time and talents during the season, but also for providing a team meal, which included the players' families.

Subject	2.9 IU Representative - Mr. Bob Thomas
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3. ADJOURNMENT

Subject	3.1 Adjourn
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Type	Action
Recommended Action	Motion to adjourn