

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH SCHOOL
February 18, 2026 – Regular Meeting, 6:30 PM
Media Center, 20 Obre Place, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702

AGENDA

- 1. OPENING PROCEDURES - Mr. Ngo**
- 2. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
 - Privacy Matters
 - Personnel Matters
 - Legal Services
- 3. CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD - Mr. Ngo**
- 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**
- 5. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Mr. MacConnell**
- 6. FINANCE & FACILITIES - Mr. Ngo**
- 7. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION - Ms. Gourley-Thompson**
- 8. PERSONNEL - Mr. Galvin**
- 9. POLICY - Ms. Moore**
- 10. SHREWSBURY & COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Ms. Choi**
- 11. VOTE/ROLL CALL ON AGENDA ITEMS**
- 12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 13. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - All Topics**
- 14. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT - Mr. Ngo**
- 15. ADJOURNMENT**

1.0 Opening Procedures

1.1 Call to order _____ pm

1.2 Flag salute

1.3 Opening Statement

1.4 "In compliance with Pl 1975, Chapter 231, Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was advertised in the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger on June 3, 2025. A copy of this notice is posted at the entrance to the Shrewsbury Borough School and is posted on the district’s website. A copy of this notice is also on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

1.5 Roll Call:

Mr. Ngo - President
 Ms. Choi
 Mr. Galvin
 Ms. Jafolla
 Ms. Moore

Ms. Gourley-Thompson - Vice-President
 Ms. Fiorentini
 Ms. Gaul-Spitale
 Ms. McCullough

Mr. MacConnell, Superintendent
 Ms. Case, Business Administrator
 _____, Attorney

1.6 Mission Statement:

The mission of the Shrewsbury Borough School District, a system built on successful cooperation among family, school and community, is to prepare all students to achieve excellence and to become responsible citizens through rigorous educational programs consistent with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards and which respect individual differences and diversity. Students will be prepared to meet the challenges presented in the regional high school and the world beyond.

2.0 Executive Session

2.1 It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to move into Closed Executive Session at _____ p.m. to discuss confidential personnel matters or Board Business and/or matters of attorney/client privilege and/or matters of litigation and/or negotiations or contractual matters from which the public may be excluded. Minutes of this meeting will be made available to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
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| Ms. Choi | | | | | |
| Ms. Fiorentini | | | | | |
| Mr. Galvin | | | | | |
| Ms. Gaul-Spitale | | | | | |
| Ms. Jafolla | | | | | |
| Ms. McCullough | | | | | |
| Ms. Moore | | | | | |
| Ms. Gourley-Thompson | | | | | |
| Mr. Ngo | | | | | |

On a voice vote, _____ members voted yes, _____ members voted no and _____ members were absent.

2.2 It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to reconvene into public session at _____ pm.

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
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| Ms. Choi | | | | | |
| Ms. Fiorentini | | | | | |
| Mr. Galvin | | | | | |
| Ms. Gaul-Spitale | | | | | |
| Ms. Jafolla | | | | | |
| Ms. McCullough | | | | | |
| Ms. Moore | | | | | |
| Ms. Gourley-Thompson | | | | | |
| Mr. Ngo | | | | | |

On a voice vote, _____ members voted yes, _____ members voted no and _____ members were absent.

3.0 Correspondence to the Board

It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following items as listed:

Email received Jan 27, 2026, kellybonett@gmail.com, regarding “Community Input Session focus groups”

Email received Jan 29, 2026, ghemschoot@gmail.com, regarding “Request to Reinstate Courtesy Busing in the Shrewsbury School District Budget”

Email received Feb 12, 2026, ashleyemmons1016@gmail.com, regarding “Concern Regarding Recess Time for Kindergarten Students”

Email received Feb 12, 2026, cuervoe@sbs-nj.org, regarding “Hiring Committee”

Email received Feb 17, 2026, jennaciongoli@gmail.com, regarding “recent letter to community”

4.0 Public Participation - Agenda Items Only

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on matters of interest to the school community. Individuals wishing to speak **must state their name and address**. Comments are limited to three minutes duration, but an individual may speak a second time after all others who wish to speak on the topic have been heard. All statements should be directed to the Board President and no participant may address or question Board members individually. All speakers are requested to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy of others whose legal rights may be affected. Please note: While it is not the Board’s intention to stifle comment on matters of legitimate concern, the public should be aware that if their statements violate the rights of others under the law of defamation or invasion of privacy, they may face personal liability to the injured party. If speakers are uncertain of the legal ramifications of their comments, the Board urges them to seek guidance beforehand from their own legal advisor.

5.0 Superintendent’s Report - Mr. MacConnell

It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following items as listed:

5.1 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury School District Board of Education approve the following District HIB Report

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| February 2026 | None |
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5.2 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the updated 2026-2027 school calendar.

6.0 Finance & Facilities - Mr. Ngo

Committee Report: The Finance & Facilities Committee met on February 9, 2026

It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following items as listed:

Board of Education Certification Budget Major/Fund Status for January 2026

PURSUANT TO NJAC 6A:20-2.13(D), we certify that as of January 31, 2026, after review of the Secretary’s monthly financial report (appropriation section), and open consultation with appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge no major account fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:20-2(B), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

I, Lindsey Case, Part-time School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that no line item has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.”



School Business Admin/Board Secretary

Payroll Certification

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary reported, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1B, has certified the payroll for January 15, 2026 in the amount of \$284,413.01, January 30, 2026 in the amount of \$285,964.80.

6.1 The Superintendent recommends the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the following minutes as listed:

- 6.1.2 Regular Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2026
- 6.1.3 Executive Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2026

6.2 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the following:

Transfer of Funds for January 2026 (available for review in the Board Secretary’s Office)
Policy # 6422 Budget Transfers

WHEREAS NJAC 6A:20-2.13 “Over expenditure of Funds” states “a district Board of Education shall not incur any obligation or approve any payment in excess of the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education in the line item pursuant to NJSA 18A:22-8.1”.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the attached line item transfers be approved.

Approve Bills List – February 2026

Recommend that the Board of Education approve the bills paid and checks issued at the Board meeting in the amount of \$200,637.87, February 2026.

Board Secretary’s Monthly Certification for January 2026

BE IT RESOLVED, that the financial reports of the Secretary to the Board of Education (Referenced below 6.0) and the Monthly Reconciliation Report (Referenced below 6.0) for January 31, 2026 which are in agreement be accepted as submitted and attached to and made part of the minutes of this meeting.

PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 6A:20-2.13(d), we certify that as of January 31, 2026, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Shrewsbury School District Board of Education pursuant to NJSA 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1

Treasurer’s Report

PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 6A:20-2.13(d), approve the Treasurer’s Report for December 2025.

6.3 The following Fire and Evacuation Drills occurred during **January and February 2026**:

| School Name | Security Drill Type | Date & Time |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Shrewsbury Borough School | Shelter in Place | 1/30/2026 - 9:20am |
| Shrewsbury Borough School | Fire Drill | 2/1/2026 - 2:19am |
| Shrewsbury Borough School | Lockdown Drill | 2/9/2026 - 8:45am |
| Shrewsbury Borough School | Shelter in Place | 2/9/2026 - 1:59pm |

6.4 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$144 from the Foundation for Shrewsbury as a reimbursement for Pixton. Account # 20-001-100-610-01-0

6.5 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$299 from the Foundation for Shrewsbury as a reimbursement for Rockalingua. Account # 20-001-100-610-01-0

6.6 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$192 from the Foundation for Shrewsbury as a reimbursement for Farnum grant. Account # 20-001-100-610-01-0

6.7 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$32,371 from the Shrewsbury PTA for the purchase of a theater projector for the school. Account # 95-000-270-162-01-0

6.8 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$940.00 from the Shrewsbury PTA for the Kindergarten trip. Account # 95-000-270-162-01-0

6.9 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the following services for the 2025-2026 school year.

| Student# | Service | Provider | Cost |
|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| 7127 | Neurodevelopmental Assessment | DPCJ/G&A | \$650.00 |
| 7144 | Neurodevelopmental Assessment | DPCJ/G&A | \$650.00 |
| 7127 | Physical Therapy Evaluation | DeMonte Therapy Services | \$365.00 |
| 7119 | Physical Therapy Evaluation | DeMonte Therapy Services | \$365.00 |
| 7076 | Physical Therapy Evaluation | DeMonte Therapy Services | \$365.00 |

6.10 The Superintendent recommends the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve to waive out of the SEMI Program (Special Education Medicare Initiative) for 2026-2027 school year.

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicare Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2026-2027 school year, and

WHEREAS, the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students for the 2026-2027 budget year,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Monmouth an appropriate waiver of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2025-2026 school year.

6.11 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve student #7006 to attend the Collier School at the per diem rate of \$383.00 for the 2025-2026 school year to commence on February 23, 2026

6.12 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the travel request for Mike Tillett to attend the 2026 New Jersey School Building and Grounds Expo, Atlantic City, NJ, March 22-25, 2026.

7.0 Curriculum and Instruction - Ms. Gourley-Thompson

Committee Report: The Curriculum and Instruction Committee met February 9, 2026

It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____ to approve the following items as listed:

7.1 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the following field trips for the 2025-2026 school year:

| Class/Group | Destination | Date(s) | Cost of Trip | Cost of Transportation |
|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| 7th & 8th Grade Engineered Students | Engineering Competition Red Bank Regional High School Red Bank, NJ | February 27, 2026 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Grade 4 Classes | Sunrise Assisted Living Shrewsbury, NJ | May 19, 2026 June 9, 2026 | \$0 | \$0 |

7.2 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the following professional development for the 2025-2026 school year:

| Staff Member | Program/Workshop | Training Date | PD/Travel Cost |
|---------------------|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Vinnie Peri | NJ Music Association Conference, Atlantic City, NJ | February 19, 2026 | \$300 |
| Yolanda Roeder | World Language Peninsula Articulation | February 26, 2026 | \$0.00 |

| Staff Member | Program/Workshop | Training Date | PD/Travel Cost |
|----------------------|--|-------------------|----------------|
| | Meeting, Fair Haven, NJ | | |
| Laura Fox | Art Peninsula Articulation Meeting, Fair Haven, NJ | February 26, 2026 | \$0.00 |
| Vinnie Peri | Music Peninsula Articulation Meeting, Fair Haven, NJ | February 26, 2026 | \$0.00 |
| Kathleen Fitzpatrick | Restorative Justice Conference, New Brunswick, NJ | April 28, 2026 | \$25.87 |
| Cheryl Salway | Restorative Justice Conference, New Brunswick, NJ | April 28, 2026 | \$0.00 |
| Kristina Kiely | Making the Decision to Report Suspected Child Maltreatment, Virtual | March 3, 2026 | \$60.00 |
| William Clark | Engaging Students in Middle School Civics, Piscataway, NJ | February 24, 2026 | \$30.83 |
| William Clark | Learning, Leading, and Innovating with AI, Virtual | March 27, 2026 | \$0.00 |
| Darianne Masticola | Addiction Trends, Social Media and Artificial Intelligence, Freehold, NJ | January 30, 2026 | \$10.99 |
| Tracy Farnum | Wilson Dyslexia Conference, Virtual | January 26, 2026 | \$99.00 |
| Cheryl Salway | Genesis Process of Scheduling, Monroe Twp., NJ | February 17, 2026 | \$0.00 |
| Alanna O’Handley | Genesis Process of Scheduling, Monroe Twp., NJ | February 17, 2026 | \$0.00 |

8.0 Personnel - Mr. Galvin

Committee Report: The Personnel Committee met on February 17, 2026

It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following items as listed:

8.1 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve a resolution to authorize the Superintendent, between the date this resolution is adopted and the next meeting of the Shrewsbury Board of Education, to take all actions necessary to protect the interest of the Shrewsbury Borough Public Schools including, but not limited to, employment of services, hiring and firing of employees under their jurisdiction subject to consultation with the appropriate district officials and the Board President and, further subject to ratification of the actions taken at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting to be held March 18, 2026.

8.2 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve Allison Gandolfo as a substitute for the 2025-2026 school year.

9.0 Policy - Ms. Moore

Committee Report: The Policy Committee met on February 12, 2026

It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the following items as listed:

9.1 The Superintendent recommends that the Shrewsbury Borough School District Board of Education approve the following policies for the second reading and adoption.

- P 0142.1 Nepotism (M) (Revised)
- P 1220 Employment of Chief School Administrator (M) (Revised)
- P & R 1552 Sexual Harassment – Staff (M) (New)
- P 3362 Sexual Harassment (M) (Abolished)
- R 3362 Sexual Harassment of Teaching Staff Members Complaint Procedure (Abolished)
- P 4352 Sexual Harassment (M) (Abolished)
- R 4352 Sexual Harassment of Support Staff Members Complaint Procedure (Abolished)

10.0 School & Community Relations - Ms. Choi

Committee Report: The School and Community Committee did not meet.

11.0 Vote/Roll Call on Agenda Items

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
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| Ms. Choi | | | | | |
| Ms. Fiorentini | | | | | |
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| Ms. Moore | | | | | |
| Ms. Gourley-Thompson | | | | | |
| Mr. Ngo | | | | | |

On a voice vote, _____ members voted yes, _____ members voted no and _____ members were absent.

12.0 Unfinished Business

13.0 Public Participation - All Topics

14.0 Board President’s Report - Mr. Ngo

15.0 Adjournment

It was motioned by _____, seconded by _____, to adjourn the meeting at _____ pm.

| | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | COMMENTS |
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| Ms. Choi | | | | | |
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On a voice vote, _____ members voted yes, _____ members voted no and _____ members were absent.