January 14, 2026

At 6:00 p.m. the Board held their Committee Meeting, briefly reviewing agenda items. The Board ended their Committee Meeting and entered Executive Session to discuss personnel. The Board exited Executive Session at 6:20 pm to start the Regular Meeting.

The Blacklick Valley School Board met in person in Regular Session at 6:21 p.m. for General Purposes in the Conference Room of the Blacklick Valley Jr. Sr. High School, 555 Birch Street, Nanty Glo, PA 15943 with Angela Villa, Board President, presiding and the following members present:

Michael Gdula, Elizabeth Kreashko, Larry Kupchella, Gregory O'Farrell, Jeffrey Szymusiak, Joe Villa, and Don Thomas.

Members Absent: Shawn McMullen

Others Present: Mr. William Kanich, Superintendent, Bethany Peracchino, Business Manager/Board Secretary, Tammy Boring, Elementary Principal, Nichole Kolarik, Special Education Coordinator, and the Nanty-Glo Journal.

Recognition of Guests- None.

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to approve the minutes from the December 3, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively	Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively
Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively	Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively
Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively	Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively
Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively	Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to approve the Treasurer's Reports for the months ending November 30, 2025 and December 31, 2025, respectively.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively	Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively
Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively	Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively
Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively	Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively
Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively	Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Gregory O'Farrell, seconded by Don Thomas, to approve the following motions:

Motion to approve the payment of the Regular Bills in the amount of **$87,076.42.**

Motion to approve the payment of the Cafeteria Bills in the amount of **$24,723.06.**
Motion to approve the estimated payment of the January 2026 Payroll in the amount of **$321,819.02** and the estimated transfer of **$321,819.02** from the General Fund to the Payroll Account.
Motion to approve the estimated payment of the January 2026 Cafeteria Payroll in the amount of **$14,457.64** and the estimated transfer of **$14,457.64** from the Cafeteria Fund to the General Fund Account.
Motion to approve the Cafeteria Fund Report for the months ending November 30, 2025 and December 31, 2025, showing balances of **$339,100.97 and $405,922.90**, respectively.
Motion to approve the Athletic Fund Report for the months ending November 30, 2025 and December 31, 2025, showing balances of, **$19,448.01 and $18,053.61**, respectively.
Motion to approve the 4th Quarter Blacklick Valley Jr. Sr. High School Student Activities Account ending December 31, 2025.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively
Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively
Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively
Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively
Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively
Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively
Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively
Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the 2026 tax collector compensation rates, as they were approved at the 1/15/25 Board Meeting:

$4.00 per each real estate tax bill collected

$0.75 per each per capita tax 679 bill collected

$0.75 per each per capita tax 511 bill collected

$0.75 per each occupation tax bill collected

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively
Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively
Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively
Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively
Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively
Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively
Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively
Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the addition of the following Official's Rates as listed:

- Junior High Baseball Umpires- $70/game
- Junior High Softball Umpires- $70/game

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the following payment to Mid-State Construction, Inc. for the auditorium project: Payment number 6- FINAL- $36,160.95.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the revised Blacklick Valley Uniform Cycle for the years 2026-2027 - 2034-2035.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the Ebandjieff Community Health Center as the school physicians for the following years as listed:

26-27 school year at a total cost of $4,000.00

27-28 school year at a total cost of $4,500.00

28-29 school year at a total cost of $5,000.00

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Joe Villa, seconded by Elizabeth Kreashko, to create 2 positions of Junior High Baseball Coach at a salary of $2,843.00 each for the 25-26 season.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Joe Villa, seconded by Elizabeth Kreashko, to create 2 positions of Junior High Softball Coach at a salary of $2,843.00 each for the 25-26 season.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Joe Villa, seconded by Elizabeth Kreashko, to create 2 positions of Junior High Girls' Volleyball Coach, effective the start of the 26-27 school year, at a salary to be determined later.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Joe Villa, seconded by Elizabeth Kreashko, to approve the hiring of Wendy White as a paraprofessional at a rate of $10/hour.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORGANIZATION:

Tammy Boring, Elementary Principal, stated that when we returned from the break, an anonymous donor helped us to complete our sensory room at the Elementary. She said it is fabulous and is a great addition to the Elementary School.

Moved by Joe Villa, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to adjourn the meeting.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Bethany Peracchino, Board Secretary

Blacklick Valley Uniform Cycle- Revised 1/14/26

2026-2027 Junior High: Girls Volleyball, Baseball, & Softball

2027-2028 Boys Varsity & Jr. High Basketball

2028-2029 Football

2029-2030 Softball

2030-2031 Baseball

2031-2032 Track

2032-2033 Girls Varsity & Jr. High Basketball

2033-2034 Band & Color Guard

2034-2035 Cheer

Football uniforms will be passed from Varsity to Jr. High and must coincide with United's Uniform Schedule.

Boys & Girls Varsity Basketball uniforms will be passed to Jr. Varsity.

*The above date is the year in which that sport will receive their new uniforms. Quotes and orders should be in place for delivery after July 1 of the cycle year.