

**CALL TO ORDER** At 7:05 p.m., the February 17, 2026, meeting of the Susquehanna Township Board of School Directors was called to order by President Jesse Rawls, Sr.

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT** Mr. Jesse Rawls, Sr., Ms. Tameka Hatcher, Mr. Jayonn Folks, Mr. Eric Hedenberg, Keita Kalonji Johnson, Esq., Mr. Steven H. Johnson, Sr.

**ABSENT** Ms. Elise LeMelle, Mrs. Jackie Hill, Dr. Anita Marenò

**DISTRICT OFFICE PRESENT** Dr. Tamara Willis, Dr. Andrae Martin, Mrs. Kathy Ciaciulli, Mrs. Carrie Martin, Dr. Erika Willis, Ms. Ann-Marie Rathmell, Mr. Justin Green, Ms. Franka Maerz

**SOLICITOR** Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** The President announced that executive session was held immediately prior to the meeting for the purpose of personnel and student matters.

**REPORTS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Board Committees:** Mr. Hedenberg provided a summary of the Long-Term Facilities Committee Meeting and the Education and Athletics Committee Meeting. (See attached.) Ms. Hatcher shared an update from the Finance Committee. (See attached.)

**Student Board Representatives:** Suha Rockwell and Amare Johnson presented a report highlighting recent activities and events from district buildings. (attached to BoardDocs)

**Dauphin County Technical School:** Mr. S. Johnson reported that Dauphin County Technical School is mourning the passing of Culinary Arts teacher Anne Refford. He also shared a report from DCTS (attached to BoardDocs)

**Capital Area Intermediate Unit:** Ms. Hatcher will be attending the upcoming meeting on February 26.

**Board of Commissioners:** Commissioner Pamela Cross shared that her and Mr. Fred Faylona will be the liaisons attending school board meetings.

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Tamara Willis reported that the Girls Basketball team qualified for the playoffs and will play Big Spring on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at home. The following students were recognized as PIAA District III Sectional Medalists in Wrestling: Persad Browne, Crystal Regalado-Bruno, and Jaelyn Tonge. It was noted that School Resource Officer Appreciation Day was observed on Sunday, and Officer Wolfe was recognized and thanked for his dedicated service to the District. A special acknowledgment was also extended to Chief Martin. Dr. Willis also recognized our 2

Student School Board Representatives and presented them with certificates and a small gift.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY 17, 2026**

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**2.A.** Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Folks to approve the meeting agenda for February 17, 2026.

Motion passed 6-0, 0 abstentions, 3 absent (Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno)

**III. A. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

**SPEAKER**

None

**III. B. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**SPEAKER**

**Ms. Hatcher** noted that the district continues to recognize Black History Month. She also shared that the community is mourning the passing of Reverend Jesse Jackson. Additionally, she acknowledged that today is Fat Tuesday, marking the beginning of Mardi Gras.

**SPEAKER**

**Mr. Rawls** shared his positive comments regarding the math test scores in the district.

**IV. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS**

**PRESENTATION**

None

**V. MINUTES**

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**5.A.B.** Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Hatcher, to approve Items 5.A.B. Motion passed 6-0, 0 abstentions, 3 absent (Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno)

5.A. Approve the Minutes of the January 5, 2026, Board Work Session.

5.B. Approve the Minutes of the January 20, 2026, Board Meeting.

**VI. PROGRAM**

**DISCUSSION**

None

**VII. PERSONNEL**

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.** Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Folks to approve Items 7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.

Motion passed 6-0, 0 abstentions, 3 absent (Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno)

**7.A.** Amend the resignation of Emillee Criss as Elementary Teacher at Thomas W. Holtzman Jr. Elementary School from an effective date to be determined to effective February 27, 2026.

**7.B.** The administration recommends that the board approve the statement of charges and notice of hearing regarding the dismissal of employee Herson Romero.

**7.C.1.** Approve the voluntary transfer of David Stack from Principal at Susquehanna Township Middle School to Assistant Principal at Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective for the 2026–2027 school year.

**7.C.2.** Approve the voluntary transfer of Ryan Evans from Principal at the Oslwen Anderson Center (Deer Path Property) to Principal at Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective for the 2026–2027 school year.

**7.D.** Approve Alanna Viozzi as Principal at the Oslwen Anderson Center, at a salary of \$105,000.00, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

**7.E.1.** Amend the transfer of Eric Brooks from Paraprofessional (STESPA) to K-2 Teacher (STEA) at Sara Lindemuth / Anna Carter Primary School, from effective date TBD to effective February 2, 2026.

**7.E.2.** Rescind the employment of Hunter Harnish as Special Education Teacher at Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective February 6, 2026.

**7.E.3.** Approve Mark Smith as Science Teacher at Susquehanna Township High School at a salary of \$67,030.00, effective date to be determined.

**7.F.1.** Amend the employment of John Greider as Maintenance Technician at Susquehanna Township High School from effective date to be determined to effective February 23, 2026.

**7.F.2.** Amend Dejah Garcia as Special Education Paraprofessional at Sara Lindemuth/ Anna Carter Primary School from start date to be determined to February 18, 2026.

**7.G.** Rescind Morgan Barksdale as mentor for Hunter Harnish at Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective February 6, 2026.

**7.H.1.** Approve the Position of Food Transport Specialist at Susquehanna Township School District.

**7.H.2.** Approve the addition of one additional Food Service Cook at Susquehanna Township School District.

**VIII. FINANCES**

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**8.A.B.C.D.E.F.H.I.** Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Hatcher, to approve Items 8.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.I.

Motion passed 6-0, 0 abstentions, 3 absent (Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno)

**8.A.** Approve the payment of Activity Fund bill from the First National Bank Activity Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$480.00.

**8.B.** Approve the payment of Capital Reserve PSDLAF checking bills from the Capital Reserve PSDLAF Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$2,350.00.

**8.C.** Approve the payment of First National General Fund Checking bills from the First National General Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$2,451,798.03.

**8.D.** Approve the payment of Food Service bills from the Food Service Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$70,532.51.

**8.E.** Approve the Food Service Cash Balance of \$3,478,308.82.

**8.F.** Approve the General Fund Cash Balance of \$4,820,093.36.

**8.G.** Approve the payment of PSDLAF General Fund Account bills from the PSDLAF General Fund Account, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$668.00.

**8.H.** Approve the payment of New Construction Capital Projects Fund Checking bills from the New Construction Capital Projects Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$1,898,849.97.

**8.I.1.** Approve the following Personal Tax Refunds:

Taxpayer Name: Theresa Roscoe

Bill #: 007182

Year: 2025

Refund Amount: \$9.80

Bill #: 006208

Year: 2024

Refund Amount: \$11.00

Bill #: 006895

Year: 2023

Refund Amount: \$11.00  
Total amount of refund \$31.80  
Reason: Theresa Roscoe is deceased her taxes were paid in error.

**8.I.2. Approve the following Personal Tax Refund:**

Taxpayer Name: Roseann Cadau  
Bill #: 002273  
Year: 2024  
Refund Amount: \$264.60  
Reason: Roseann Cadau made less than 5,000.00; paid the taxes in error.

**8.I.3. Approve the following Personal Tax Refund:**

Taxpayer Name: Patty Jo Keys  
Bill #: 020612  
Year: 2025  
Refund Amount: \$283.50  
Reason: Patty Jo Keys made less than 5,000.00; paid the taxes in error.

**8.I.4. Approve the following Personal Tax Refunds:**

Taxpayer Name: Noah Brooks  
Bill #: 015956  
Year: 2023  
Refund Amount: \$308.00  
Bill #: 016491  
Year: 2024  
Refund Amount: \$308.00  
Total amount of refund \$616.00  
Reason: Noah Brooks is not a Susquehanna Township resident; paid the taxes in error.

**IX. CONTRACTS**

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**9.A.B.C.D.E.F.** Moved by Mr. Folks, seconded by Mr. Hedenberg, to approve Items 9.A.B.C.D.E.F.  
Motion passed 6-0, 0 abstentions, 3 absent (Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno)

**9.A.** Approve the customer order form from Frontline Education to add the financial planning analytics subscription powered by Forecast5 as presented on February 5, 2026, at the Finance Committee Meeting.

**9.B.** Approve the contract with Keystone Collection to serve as the tax collector for per capita, occupation and real estate taxes, effective July 1, 2026, as presented on February 5, 2026, at the Finance Committee Meeting.

**9.C.** Authorize the Business Office to establish a Wex Business Account to procure diesel fuel for the student transportation as presented on February 5, 2026, at the Finance Committee Meeting.

**9.D.** Approve the purchase of a new athletic van from Hoffman Ford for \$66,250.00. Our existing athletic van #1 is rusted beyond repair and will no longer pass the Pennsylvania Safety Inspection. Hoffman Ford is a COSTARS participant and has provided pricing in accordance with the program as noted.

**9.E.** Approve the TK Elevator Maintenance Agreements for the three elevators located at the Oslwen Anderson Center. The total cost for the three elevators is \$662.00 per month. This cost is in line with our elevator maintenance contracts with TK Elevator throughout the district.

**9.F.** Approve the three Boiler Maintenance agreements with Frey Lutz for a total of \$12,100.00. This includes all boilers and domestic water heaters at the High School, Middle School and Thomas Holtzman.

**X. POLICY**

None

**XI. OTHER**

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

**11.A.** Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hedenberg, to approve Item 11.A. Motion passed 6-0, 0 abstentions, 3 absent (Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno)

**11.A.** Approve the revision to the 2025-2026 school calendar to adjust the number of Elementary Student Days.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

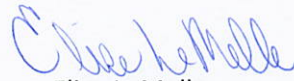
**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Folks, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 6-0, 0 abstentions, 3 absent (Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno)

SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

February 17, 2026  
Tuesday Evening

Meeting adjourned 7:35 p.m.



Elise LeMelle  
Board Secretary