

HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

The Hollidaysburg Area School Board met for **Committee of the Whole/Voting Meeting** on **Wednesday, March 18, 2026**, in the Senior High Library, 1510 N. Montgomery Street, Hollidaysburg. Ms. Bilek called the meeting to order at 7:08p.m and opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Mrs. Fiscus took roll call with nine members present. Attending were Ms. Bilek, President, Ms. Sullivan, Vice-President, Dr. Antonowicz, Dr. Li, Mr. Snyder, Ms. Luther, Dr. Blank, Dr. Wells and Ms. Eardley.

Also present were Mr. Whitesel, Superintendent, Dr. Boone, Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Weakland, Director of Student Support Services, Mrs. Fiscus, Business Manager/Board Secretary, Mrs. Bell, Director of Accounting Operations, Mr. Caldwell, Director of Human Resource/Transportation, Ms. Faith, Foundation Director/Grant Writer, Jonathan Nihart, Director of Physical Plant, David Rodkey, Director of Technology, Mr. McCloskey, Mrs. McConnell, Mr. DeLattre, Mrs. Venios, Mr. Madden and Attorney Dambeck, Solicitor.

Recognitions

Mr. Delattre and the board recognized the following Winter teams and individuals:

District 4/6 Class 5-A Girls Basketball Champions – PIAA Qualifier

District 6 Class AA Girl Swimming Team Champions

District 6 Class AA 200 Free Relay Team Champions

District 6 Class AA 200 Medley Relay Team Champions

District 6 Class AA 100 Breaststroke Champion – Margaret Bandstra

District 6 Class AA 200 Freestyle Champion – Addison Smith

District 6 Class AAA 100 Breaststroke Champion – Kaden Henderson

PIAA Swimming Qualifiers – Kaden Henderson, Margaret Bandstra, Kiri Dougerty, Madalyn Brick, Jackie Bevan, Addison Smith

Mrs. Venios and the board recognized the following individuals:

GACTC Skills USA Medalists:

Ronny Paulino, Precision Machining

Evan Long, Technical Drafting

Jadyn Nixon, Cake Decorating

Jackson York, Masonry

Mikayla Claar, Photography

Jace Hughes, Collision Repair

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Student Representative Report

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Per Board Policy 004.2-Student Representatives to the Board, Senior Representative Alice Haslam and Junior Representative Kate Steiner gave their monthly report to the Board.

Business Office Report / Mrs. Fiscus

The board met in executive session on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 6:25p.m. for personnel.

Meetings for April 2026:

Physical Plant Committee
Wednesday, April 8, 2026
Time: 5:00p.m.
Senior High Library
1510 N. Montgomery Street
Hollidaysburg PA 16648

Committee of the Whole/Voting
Wednesday, April 8, 2026
Time: 7:00p.m.
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Mr. Snyder initiated a motion, seconded by Dr. Wells, to approve the minutes of the February 18, Committee of the Whole/Voting Meeting. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Dr. Li initiated a motion, seconded by Dr. Antonowicz, to approve financial reports for February 2026, Items 1 through 7. The reports included Treasurer's Report, List of Payments, Investment Portfolio, YTD Expenditures/Revenues, Food Service for January 2026 and Senior High Student Store for January 2026. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. **Exhibit 1**

Ms. Sullivan initiated a motion, seconded by Ms. Luther, to approve the following items:

Greater Altoona Career and Technology Center Financial Statements and Auditor's Report on Basic Financial Statements for Year Ended June 30, 2025 **Exhibit 2**

Appalachia IU08 2026-2027 General Operating Budget and Resolution **Exhibit 3**

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Election of Appalachia IU08 Board Members for 2026-2029 **Exhibit 4**

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Luther initiated a motion, seconded by Dr. Li, Per Board Policy 006 Meetings, to approve the following contracts/agreements:

1. Independent Contractor Agreement with Debra Henry effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, to provide PIMS/Infinite Campus training services to the District Cost: \$125/hr. up to 10hrs/month (Budgeted) **Exhibit 5**
2. Contract with Link Computer Corporation effective April 21, 2026, through April 20, 2027, for a 1-year subscription for Acronis 100TB of storage Cost: \$14,093 (Budgeted) **Exhibit 6**
3. Contract with Square effective March 18, 2026, through March 18, 2027, for the Senior High Student Store Point of Sale Software Plus Cost: \$50/month (paid from the SH Student Store Account-Not Budgeted) **Exhibit 7**
4. Contract with Music Theatre International effective March 2, 2026, through November 21, 2026, for a Fall, 2026 Senior High Production Cost: \$3,450 (Budgeted) **Exhibit 8**
5. Contract with Class Intercom effective March 19, 2026, through June 30, 2027, for a 1-year subscription of Class Intercom Cost: \$1,845 (Budgeted) **Exhibit 9**
6. Addendum to Contract with Global Data Consultants, LLC. effective March 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026, for the Prism Support Contract Cost: \$6,200 (Budgeted) **Exhibit 10**
7. Contract with Ignite Education Solutions effective February 20, 2026, through June 30, 2026, to provide Title I Math instructional services to Arrows Christian Academy Cost: \$855 (Budgeted) **Exhibit 11**
8. Contract with Sectri, LLC. effective March 19, 2026, through June 30, 2027, for a Sectri Platform K-12 License for Program Hierachy, Assess, Track, Manage, Benchmark, Document, Collaborate, Learn and Alliance Membership Cost: \$3,275 (Budgeted) **Exhibit 12**
9. Contract with Raptor Technologies, LLC. effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, for Hall Pass Pro Annual Subscription Cost: \$4,442.94 (Budgeted - to be paid out of SH budget) **Exhibit 13**
10. Security Services Agreement with Keystone Investigation and Security Specialists, LLC. (KISS) effective August 15, 2026, as an independent contractor to perform temporary or permanent security guard Services at the Senior High and/or other sites as deemed

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necessary Cost: Armed: \$44/hr. and \$66/hr. for holidays (4 hour minimum); Unarmed \$27/hr. and \$41/hr. for holidays (4 hr. minimum) **Exhibit 14**

The motion carried unanimously with nine yes votes.

Dr. Wells initiated a motion, seconded by Ms. Luther to approve items 5 through 10:

Application and Certificate for Payment #3 to McClure Company - \$68,406.50 **Exhibit 15**

Per Board Policy 605, Taxes: Per Capita Tax Exonerations 2025-2026: 1,541 Absolute Exonerations were granted for the 2025-2026 Per Capita Tax collection period per board approved Per Capita Tax Exoneration guidelines. The board was asked to approve 6 exoneration request forms per board approved Per Capita Tax Exoneration guidelines. Per Capita Tax bills that remain unpaid will be turned over to Credit Control Collections on March 23, 2026. **Exhibit 16**

Tuition Students for 2025-2026: (A.G.), Grade 7, (C.G), Grade 6 and (E.G).

Per Board Policy 702, Gifts, Grants and Donations, the following grant: Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission's R3 Education Grant: \$8,039

Request to Establish New Student Activity Accounts:

Per Board Policy 618, Student Activity Fund Control:

New Student Activity: No. 78 - Pre Medical Club (SH)

Purpose: To introduce students to various careers in the medical field. Providing means to learn valuable skills to succeed in the medical field, meeting with mentors to establish a baseline of understanding in future endeavors (med school, specialties, etc.)

New Student Activity: No. 36 - Hollidaysburg Area Senior High Fly-Fishing Club

Purpose: to introduce students to the sport of fly-fishing while promoting environmental stewardship, outdoor recreation, and conservation of Pennsylvania's waterways. The club will provide opportunities for students to learn fly-fishing techniques, know tying, fly tying, aquatic ecology and safe fishing practices. **Exhibit 17**

Per Board Policy 706.1 Disposal of Surplus Property/Textbooks/Supplies, disposal of various obsolete equipment and books. **Exhibit 18**

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Superintendent's Report / Mr. Whitesel

Dr. Antonowicz initiated a motion, seconded by Dr. Blank, to approve the items 1 through 3 as follows:
K-12 Guidance Plan **Exhibit 19**

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Per Board Policy 108, Adoption of Textbooks, the following textbooks will be on display from March 18, 2026, to April 28, 2026, at the administrative office. They can be viewed by calling 814-696-4454, ext. 1123 for an appointment.

They will be voted upon on April 8, 2026, Voting Meeting but will not be ordered pending completion of the 30-day review process.

Proposed Textbook

Course: CB Probability and Statistics
Title: Statistics and Probability with Applications
Publisher: Bedford, Freeman, & Worth Publishers
Copyright: 2025

Proposed Textbook

Course: AP Psychology
Title: AP Psychology: Psychology for the AP Course
Publisher: Bedford, Freeman, & Worth Publishers
Copyright: 2024

Proposed Textbook

Course: AP Statistics
Title: The Practice of Statistics for the AP Course, 8th Edition
Publisher: Bedford, Freeman, & Worth Publishers
Copyright: 2026

Proposed Textbook

Course: Grades 7-12 Social Studies
Title: Active Classroom
Publisher: Social Studies School Service
Copyright: 2026 (Updated annually) **Exhibit 20**

New Course Proposal: College Bound Geometry **Exhibit 21**

The motion carried by voice vote with seven yes votes and two no votes. Mr. Snyder and Mrs. Eardley cast the dissenting votes.

For Information Only Mr. Whitesel announced that The MDS classroom for ESY will be held at the Senior High on July 6-9, 2026, and July 13-16, 2026, from 9am-12pm. All other ESY classes will remain at Frankstown.

Ms. Sullivan initiated a motion, seconded by Ms. Luther, to approve items 5 through 10 as follows:

Science Night: Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2026, Location: Senior High Gymnasium; Time: 6:00PM-8:00PM
Exhibit 22

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Remake Learning Day: Date: Saturday, May 2, 2026, Location: Senior High; Time: 9:00AM-12:00PM
Exhibit 23

HASD Kindergarten Camp - August 2026 **Exhibit 24**

2026 Spring Sports Field Trip Schedule - Per Board Policies 230.1 Student Expenses for Conferences/Competitions and 121 Field Trips, the attached list of student field trips in excess of 150 miles, out of state, or overnight is submitted for approval. **The attached list is inclusive of all trips regardless of distance.**

*The administration requests authorization for the Superintendent to approve additional trips as needed throughout the 2025-2026 school year resulting from advancement in PIAA school sponsored sports playoffs. **Exhibit 25**

The administration is requesting board approval for the attached list of additions, deletions, and updates to the web-based resources that require student accounts.

Website/App Name: Square

URL: <https://squareup.com/>

Grade Levels: 10-12

Privacy Policy: <https://squareup.com/us/en/legal/general/privacy>

Terms and Conditions: <https://squareup.com/us/en/legal/general/ua>

Cost: Square Plus (currently \$50/month)

Purpose: Square will be used as the point-of-sale system in the Hollidaysburg Senior High School. The Hollidaysburg Senior High Student Store is considered a Student Based Enterprise, which is a primary educational and curriculum-based resource for all Senior High Business Students. Students gain real-world experiences of running a small business through marketing sales, promotions and advertising; accounting reporting, data collection, and inventory management; and entrepreneurial management and resourcing. Students will be utilizing the Square point-of-sale system to implement these Student Based Enterprise curriculum and experiences on a daily basis. The subscription plan that is being requested has an associated cost of \$50/month. This is being proposed to be paid out of the Student Store account. The paid plan is necessary to manage student account permissions properly.

Website/ App Name: Smart Pass

URL: https://www.smartpass.app/hall-pass?utm_medium=ppc&utm_source=google&utm_campaign=dg26%20smp%20-%20cm%20brand%20-g

Grade Levels: 7-12

Privacy Policy: <https://raptortech.com/privacy-policy/>

Terms and

Conditions: https://www.smartpass.app/terms?utm_medium=ppc&utm_source=google&utm_campaign=dg26%20smp%20-%20cm%20brand%20-g

Cost: \$4,442.94 (annual subscription out of Senior High building budget)

Purpose: Smart Pass is to be used as a digital hall pass solution for the senior high school.

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Per Board Policy 614 Payroll Authorizations, personnel actions dated 3/18/2026 REV 3/17/2026 at 2:35p.m. **Exhibit 26.**

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

President's Report / Ms. Bilek

Ms. Luther initiated a motion, seconded by Dr. Li, to approve the following:

Per Board Policy 000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations the first reading of:

Policy 204 Attendance and Policy 626 Federal Fiscal Compliance and the second reading of Policy 218 Student Discipline, Policy 610 Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation, Policy 611 Purchases Budgeted, Policy 626 Federal Programs (Attachment), and Policy 823 Operations (Replaces Policy 210.2 Naloxone Administration in Schools).

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

There being no further business, Ms. Bilek declared the meeting adjourned at 8:24p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Autumn Fiscus", written over a horizontal line.

Autumn Fiscus
Board Secretary