

CALL TO ORDER	At 7:00 p.m., the March 2, 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, Ms. Elise LeMelle, Mrs. Jackie Hill, Mr. Jayonn Folks, Mr. Eric Hedenberg, Keita Kalonji Johnson, Esq., Mr. Steven H. Johnson, Sr., Dr. Anita Mareno
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, Mr. Jonathan Bishop
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.
INTRODUCTIONS/ GUEST PRESENTATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Celebrating Families TWH- Mr. Joshua Gibson, Principal and Ms. Lisa Robbins, Assistant Principal, recognized the Windows Family for their contributions to fostering a positive and supportive learning environment in our school community. The family was presented with a certificate and a token of appreciation from Dr. Willis.2. Thomas W. Holtzman Building Spotlight (attached to BoardDocs) Joshua Gibson, Principal Lisa Robbins, Assistant Principal Jolene. Berio, Student Tyler Borawski, Student Marie Rutherford, Parent and PTO President
REPORTS/ ANNOUNCEMENT	<p>Superintendent's Report: Dr. Tamara Willis reported that the Susquehanna Township School District (STSD) had the privilege of hosting the Secretary of Labor and Industry, Secretary Nancy Walker, to announce that the district was awarded a \$236,000 School-to-Work Grant to support the expansion of the Cadet Teaching program. Secretary Walker and her team also toured classrooms to observe the Cadet Teachers in action. Dr. Willis expressed appreciation to board members who attended the visit.</p> <p>Dr. Willis also recognized achievements by members of the STSD swim team at the District Championships:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boys 200Y Medley Relay – 7th Place (Cole Hunsberger, Carson Kime, David Dinn, Leo Pitassi)• Boys 50Y Freestyle – 2nd Place, State Qualified (Leo Pitassi)• Boys 200Y Freestyle Relay – 7th Place (Cole Hunsberger, Carson Kime, David Dinn, Leo Pitassi)

- Boys 100Y Backstroke – 6th Place (Carson Kime)
- Boys 100Y Freestyle – 2nd Place, State Qualified (Leo Pitassi)

Dr. Willis further shared that, for the first time in 45 years, the Girls Basketball team won the District III Championship and will advance to the State Playoffs.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR MARCH 2, 2026

MOTION TO APPROVE

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Mr. Hedenberg, Dr. Mareno, Mr. Folks, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Mr. S. Johnson, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Rawls
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

III. A. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

SPEAKER

None

III. B. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

SPEAKER

Mr. K. Johnson reported that he attended the district’s strategic planning meeting. He commended the level of effort and participation, noting that the meeting included district staff, community members, board members, and parents.

SPEAKER

Ms. Hatcher shared that she attended the district’s strategic planning meeting and appreciated the opportunity to participate. She also represented the district at the Capital Area Intermediate Unit (CAIU) Board Meeting and attended an orientation session. Ms. Hatcher noted that Ramadan began in February and will continue into March, and she recognized that March is International Women’s History Month.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

None

V. MINUTES

MOTION TO APPROVE

5.A.B. Moved by Mr. S. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Hill, to approve items 5.A.B.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Mr. Hedenberg, Dr. Mareno, Mr. Folks, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Mr. S. Johnson, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Rawls
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

5.A. Approve the Minutes of the February 2, 2026, Board Meeting.

5.B. Approve the Minutes of the February 17, 2026, Board Meeting

VI. PROGRAM

None

VII. PERSONNEL

MOTION TO APPROVE

7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.I. Moved by Mr. Folks, seconded by Ms. Hatcher to approve items 7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.I.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Mr. Hedenberg, Dr. Mareno, Mr. Folks, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Mr. S. Johnson, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Rawls
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

7.A.

Name	Position	Location	Agreement	Effective Date
James Sonier	French Teacher	STHS	STEA	June 4, 2026
Jamie Badaczewski	Paraprofessional	TWH	STESPA	February 26, 2026

7.B.

Name	Position	Location	Agreement	Effective Date
Herson Romero	Night Custodian	STHS	Teamsters	March 2, 2026

7.C.

Name	From/Location	To/Location	Effective Date	Status
Charles Bass	ISS Supervisor at STMS	Behavior Interventionist at SLAC	February 18, 2026	N/A

7.D.

Name	Position	Location	Salary/Rate	Effective Date	Status
Francis Mejia	Lunch Monitor	SLAC	\$17.00 per hour	TBD	Replacing Amanda Bouch
Bhima Adhikari	Night Custodian	STHS	\$17.95 per hour	TBD	Replacing Herson Romero

7.E.

Name	Position	Location	Salary/Rate	Effective Date	Status
Tamaura Woodson	Assistant Principal	OAC	\$87,000.00	July 1, 2026	New Position

7.F.

Name	Position	Location	Salary/Rate	Effective Date
Dane Snyder	Assistant Boys Soccer Coach	STMS	\$2,700.00	2025-2026 School Year
Dane Snyder	Assistant Boys Soccer Coach	STHS	\$3,700.00	2025-2026 School Year
Dhuan Abdullah	AAP Facilitator	STMS	\$40.00 per hour	2025-2026 School Year
Amanda Hookway	AAP Facilitator	STMS	\$40.00 per hour	2025-2026 School Year
Kemal Pegram	AAP Facilitator	STMS	\$40.00 per hour	2025-2026 School Year
Kemal Pegram	Detention Monitor	STMS	\$31.00 per hour	2025-2026 School Year

Name	Position	Location	Salary/Rate	Effective Date
Lola Itzhaki	Rescind - Mentor for Emilee Criss	TWH		February 27, 2026

7.G.

Name	Position	Location	Agreement	Effective Date
Melanie Weaver	Special Education Paraprofessional	SLAC	STESPA	July 1, 2026. Melanie has been with the district for 25 years.
Jodi Ray-Walter	Paraprofessional	TWH	STESPA	September 30, 2026. Jodi has been with STSD for 18 years.

7.H.

Position	Effective Date
10 Special Education Paraprofessionals	July 1, 2026

7.I.

Name	Position	Location	Original Date	Effective Date
Camera Fells	Paraprofessional	SLAC	TBD - January 20, 2026, board agenda	Start Date - February 18, 2026
Mark Smith	Science Teacher	STHS	TBD - February 17, 2026, board agenda	Start Date - March 3, 2026

VIII. FINANCES

MOTION TO APPROVE

8.A.B.C.D.E. Moved by Mrs. Hill, seconded by Mr. Hedenberg to approve items 8.A.B.C.D.E.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Mr. Hedenberg, Dr. Mareno, Mr. Folks, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Mr. S. Johnson, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Rawls
Nay: None

Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

8.A. Approve the payment of Food Service bills from the Food Service Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$135,396.78.

8.B. 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 \$1,427,716.77.

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 \$2,437,923.95.

8.D. The Administration recommends that the Board approve and authorize the submission of five (5) PA Public School Facility Improvement Grant Authorized Official Resolutions on behalf of Susquehanna Township School District.

8.E. The Administration recommends the Board approves and authorizes the Business Office to advertise and solicit bids for the Soffit and Fascia Project for Sara Lindermuth / Anna Carter Primary School.

IX. CONTRACTS

MOTION TO APPROVE

9.A. Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. S. Johnson to approve item 9.A.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Mr. Hedenberg, Dr. Mareno, Mr. Folks, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Mr. S. Johnson, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Rawls
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

9.A. Recommend the board retroactively approve the Proposal from ECS Mid-Atlantic, LLC for Mold and Moisture Assessment at the Oslwen C. Anderson Center in the amount not to exceed \$6,900.00 as presented.

MOTION TO APPROVE

9.B. Moved by Mrs. Hill, seconded by Ms. Hatcher to approve item 9.B.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Mr. Hedenberg, Dr. Mareno, Mr. Folks, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Mr. S. Johnson, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Rawls
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

9.B. Approve the attached Rentokil Terminex bat exclusion services proposal in the amount of \$6,980.00. Note: This contract was approved in September of 2025, however the Terms and Conditions changed. The new Terms and Conditions were reviewed by our Solicitor and appropriate changes were made. There was no change to the cost.

X. POLICY

None

XI. OTHER

MOTION TO APPROVE

11.A.B. Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hedenberg, to approve items 11.A.B.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Mr. Hedenberg, Dr. Mareno, Mr. Folks, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mrs. Hill, Mr. S. Johnson, Mr. K. Johnson, Mr. Rawls
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

11.A. Approve the out-of-state field trip for nine (9) high school Art students to travel to the Baltimore Art Museum on March 27, 2026. They will be taking a district van.

11.B. Approve the Hiking and Environment Club to take an overnight camping field trip to Ricket's Glen State Park on May 16-18, 2026.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Ms. Hatcher, seconded by Mr. Hedenberg, to adjourn the meeting.
Motion passed: 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

Meeting adjourned 7:47 p.m.



Elise LeMelle
Board Secretary