

MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Budget and Finance Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting – Immediately following Budget and Finance
Curriculum, Instruction and Technology Committee Meeting – Immediately following Facilities and
Transportation

Administration Building – Board Room

MINUTES

Present:

Board: Mrs. Pacell, Mr. Dezzi, Mr. Bilker, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Altobelli, Mrs. Byrne

Administration: Dr. Tina Kane, Dr. Kevin Fagan, Dr. Joel DiBartolomeo, Mr. Dominic
DuVernois, Dr. Kerri McGinley

Press: 0

Audience: 0

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Bilker called the meeting to order at 6:29 PM and advised that the Board met in Executive session to discuss Legal and Personnel matters

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Bilker led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

3.01 Committee Report – Barbara Harvey, Chairperson

Mrs. Harvey turned the meeting over to Mr. DuVernois

3.02 Additions to the Agenda

There was none

Mr. DuVernois explained that motion under 3.03 and 3.04 are the normal monthly bills for payment and financial reports. Any questions give him a call or email.

3.03 Bills for Payment

MOTION: To approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$758,209.08, and Food Service bills in the amount of \$107,379.59.

3.04 Financial Reports

MOTION: To approve the monthly Financial Reports for January 2026 and Budget Transfers.

Mr. DuVernois explained that the below motion 3.05 and 3.06 will be turned over to the Solicitor to resolve.

3.05 2025 Tax Assessment Appeal

MOTION: To authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 25-00-05296-00 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$830,250 and a fair market value of \$1,350,000.

For tax year 2026, an assessment of \$773,955 and a fair market value of \$1,350,000.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$68,820 below the 2025 assessment and yields a tax dollar loss of approximately \$858.47 to our District for tax year 2025.

3.06 2025 Tax Assessment Appeal

MOTION: To authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 30-00-02840-50 real estate tax assessment appeal as follows:

For tax year 2024, an assessment of \$60,865,000 and a fair market value of \$92,500,000.

For tax year 2025, an assessment of \$56,887,500 and a fair market value of \$92,500,000.

For tax year 2026, an assessment of \$53,030,250 and a fair market value of \$92,500,000.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$80,115,670 below the 2024 assessment and yields a tax dollar loss of approximately \$966,043 to our District for tax year 2024.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$84,093,170 below the 2025 assessment and yields a tax dollar loss of approximately \$1,048,987 to our District for tax year 2025.

Mr. DuVernois explained that we are required to approve on this yearly. Our portion of 3.07 is \$78,000.00, the Special Education bill will be for what services we use, and the Technical school is \$640,000.00.

3.07 Delaware County Intermediate Unit 2026 - 2027 General Budget

MOTION: To approve the resolution regarding the 2026-2027 Delaware County Intermediate Unit General Budget in the amount of \$12,126,495.

3.08 Delaware County Intermediate Unit 2026 - 2027 Special Education Agreement

MOTION: To approve the agreement regarding the 2026-2027 Special Education Service Agreement in the amount of \$679,227.

3.09 Delaware County Intermediate Unit 2026 - 2027 Technical Schools Budget

MOTION: To approve the resolution regarding the 2026-2027 Delaware County Intermediate Unit Technical School Budget in the amount of \$19,551,888.

3.10 Information Item: 2026-2027 Budget Update ~ Mr. DuVernois advised that we will have a presentation in April and a final vote in June.

3.11 Other Business

There was none

3.12 Public Comment

There was none

3.13 Adjournment

4. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

4.01 Committee Report – David Dezzi, Chairperson

Mr. Dezzi turned over the meeting to Mr. DuVernois

Mr. DuVernois explained the change orders. The cost was over 4 million dollars and went very well. Tanks were expensive, so they moved them, was less costly.

4.02 Additions to the Agenda

There was none

4.03 Change Order Credits, Bus Garage and Parking Lot Renovation, Administration Building

MOTION: To approve Hobbs and Company, Inc., Change Order EC-01, Deduct for Electrical Contractors Quantity Allowance remaining balance of \$9,253. Change Order EC-01 Total \$9,253 Credit.

MOTION: To approve Innovative Service Contractors, LLC., Change Order PC-01, Deduct for Plumbing Contractor's Quantity Allowance remaining balance of \$5,303.13. Change Order PC-01 Total \$5,303.13 Credit.

MOTION: To approve Innovative Service Contractors, LLC., Change Oder MC-01, Deduct for Mechanical Contractor's Quantity Allowance remaining balance of \$9,490.49. Change Order MC-01 Total \$9,490.49 Credit.

4.04 Change Order, Bus Garage and Parking Lot Renovation, Administration Building

MOTION: To approve S.J. Thomas Company, Inc., Change Order No.01, for tank relocation and fuel sludge disposal in the amount of \$36,698.16. Change Order No.01 Total \$36,698.16.

4.05 Change Order Credit, Boiler Room Renovations, Russell Elementary School

MOTION: To approve GEM Mechanical, Inc., Change Order MC-01, Deduct for Mechanical Contractor's Quantity Allowance remaining balance \$21,421.58. Change Order MC-01 Total \$21,421.58 Credit.

4.06 Other Business

There was none

4.07 Public Comment

There was none

4.08 Adjournment

5. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

5.01 Committee Report – Dana Altobelli, Chairperson

5.02 Additions to the Agenda

There was none

Dr. Fagan asked that the following motions go to the full Board for approval.

5.03 Administrative Trips

MOTION: To approve Dr. Tina Kane to attend the 2026 PASA Women's Caucus Annual Conference, May 17-19, 2026, in Hershey, PA. The cost to the District is \$1,041.18.

5.04 Student Trips, Marple Newtown High School

MOTION: To approve Jake Olimpi, advisor, to accompany Marple Newtown High School music department and STEM Academy to Orlando, FL from April 1-5, 2027. The total cost will be approximately \$2,300 per student to be paid by the student. There is no cost to the District, as presented.

5.05 Book Adoptions, Culbertson Elementary School

MOTION: To approve new book titles to Culbertson Elementary School, as presented.

5.06 Marple Newtown School District K-12 Guidance Plan

MOTION: To approve the Marple Newtown School District K-12 Guidance Plan, as presented.

5.07 Other Business
There was none

5.08 Public Comment

There was none

5.09 Adjournment

With no further business for the Board, Mr. Bilker adjourned the meeting at 6:35 PM.