

MINUTES
TURKEYFOOT VALLEY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
CONFLUENCE, PA 15424
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2026
7:00 p.m.

The Turkeyfoot Valley School Board of Directors met in a regular session on Thursday, April 9, 2026, at the school building in Harnedsville. President Michael Diehl called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ITEM #1. ROLL CALL

A roll call vote was held with the following members present:

Frankie Ryan, Terry Bender, Natalie Perez, Mike Diehl, David Tannehill, Gerald Conn, Nathan Enos, and Dean Hay (7:11pm)
Absent: Remy Bonnell

ITEM #2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

All present gave salute to the flag.

ITEM #3. ADDITIONS OR REARRANGEMENTS TO THE AGENDA

David Tannehill moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

ITEM #5. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Gerald Conn moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of Tuesday, March 12, 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #6. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD BILLS

Gerald Conn moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the Board Bills for the month of March 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #7. APPROVAL OF THE TREASURERS REPORT

Terry Bender moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for the month of March 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #8. APPROVAL OF THE BUDGETARY TRANSFERS

There are no budgetary transfers at this time.

ITEM #9. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

David Tannehill moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Payroll Account for the dates of April 23, 2026 and May 8, 2026 not to exceed \$120,000 at each transfer. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Athletic Committee

Approval of the Athletic Committee Meeting Minutes – March 12, 2026

Frank Ryan moved and Gerald Conn seconded a motion to approve the Athletic Committee meeting minutes of March 12, 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

B. Building & Grounds Committee

Approval of Building & Use Form – PTO

Nathan Enos moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the Building & Use form from the Turkeyfoot PTO to have their fundraiser delivered and use the LGI on May 27, 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of Building & Use Form- Confluence Tourism Association

Nathan Enos moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the Building & Use Form from the Confluence Tourism Association for July 26, 2026 to use the lawn area and parking lot for the finish line venue of the Mount Davis Bicycle Race as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of 2026-2027 Janitorial Supply Bids

Nathan Enos moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve that the 2026-2027 janitorial supply bids to be approved at the discretion of the maintenance supervisor as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of the Building and Grounds committee meeting minutes – April 7, 2026

Nathan Enos moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the Building and Grounds committee meeting minutes of April 7, 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

C. Cafeteria Committee

Approval of Cafeteria supply, milk and bread bids

Terry Bender moved and David Tannehill seconded a motion to approve that the 2026-2027 cafeteria supply, milk and bread bids to be approved at the discretion of the cafeteria supervisor as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

D. Curriculum Committee

No action taken

E. Finance & Purchasing Committee

Approval of the Finance and Purchasing Committee meeting minutes – March 11, 2026

Nathan Enos moved and Michael Diehl seconded a motion to approve the Finance and Purchasing Committee meeting minutes of March 11, 2026 as presented. ***All members present voted in the affirmative.***

F. Policy Review & Development Committee

Approval of the second reading of Policies

Gerald Conn moved and David Tannehill seconded a motion to approve the second reading of Policy 122 - Extra Curricular Activities, Policy 204 - Attendance, Policy 218.1 – Weapons, Policy 610 - Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation, Policy 611 - Purchases Budgeted, Policy 626 - Procurement Attachment, Policy 805 - Emergency Preparedness Response, Policy 805.1 - Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies, Policy 805.2 - School Security Personnel as presented. ***All members present voted in the affirmative.***

Dean Hay arrived and entered the meeting. (7:11pm)

Approval of the Policy Review and Development Committee Meeting minutes - March 12, 2026

Gerald Conn moved and David Tannehill seconded a motion to approve the Policy Review and Development Committee Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2026 as presented. ***All members present voted in the affirmative.***

G. Transportation Committee

No action taken.

H. Technology Committee

No action taken.

ITEM #11. NEW BUSINESS

Approval of PDE Grant e-Signature Resolution

David Tannehill moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the e-Signature resolution with the Pennsylvania Department of Education for grants as presented. ***All members present voted in the affirmative.***

RESOLUTION

*BE IT RESOLVED, by authority of the **Board of Directors of the Turkeyfoot Valley Area School District** and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, that **Nicole Dice** who is the **Superintendent** of the above-named body is authorized and directed to sign any and all contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses (hereinafter collectively referred to as contract(s)) with the Pennsylvania Department of Education (Department); and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the body consents to the use of electronic signatures by the above named individual and that no handwritten signature from the above-named individual shall be required in order for any contract with the Department to be legally enforceable and that by affixing her electronic signature to an electronic file of the contract via the Department's e-grants system, the above designated authorized individual shall have effectively executed and delivered the contract, binding the **Turkeyfoot Valley Area School District** to comply with the terms of said contract; and*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no writing shall be required in order to make the contract valid and legally binding, provided that the Department and all other necessary Commonwealth approvers affix their signatures electronically and an electronically-printed copy of the Contract is e-mailed or is otherwise made available to the body by electronic means; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the body will not contest the due authorization, execution, delivery, validity or enforceability of the electronic Contract under the provisions of a statute of frauds or any other applicable law. The Contract, if introduced as evidence on paper in any judicial, arbitration, mediation, or administrative proceedings, will be admissible as between the parties to the same extent and under the same conditions as other business records originated and maintained in documentary form and the admissibility thereof shall not be contested under either the business records exception to the hearsay rule or the best evidence rule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the body will notify the Department's Bureau of Management Services promptly in the event that the above-named individual is no longer authorized to execute agreements on behalf of the body electronically and that the Department shall be entitled to rely upon the above-named officer's authority to execute agreements electronically on behalf of the body until such notice is received by the Department's Office of Chief Counsel.

Approval of the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 ESL Consortium Articles of Agreement for 2026-2027 School Year

David Tannehill moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the AIU08 ESL Consortium Articles of Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost of \$5,200.00 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of the Somerset County Multi-District Professional Learning Consortium Agreement for the 2026-20227 school year

David Tannehill moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the Somerset County Multi-District Professional Learning Consortium Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #12 OTHER BUSINESS

Approval to attend PAFPC conference – Megan Barlow

Frank Ryan moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve for Megan Barlow to attend the PAFPC conference May 18, 2026 at a maximum cost of \$393.00 paid with grant funding as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of the Pennsylvania School Based Access Program 2026-2027 LEA Agreement to Participate

Frank Ryan moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the Pennsylvania School Based Access Program 2026-2027 LEA Agreement to Participate as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #13. REPORTS

- A. Guidance Office Report – Linette Wagner
- B. Nurses Report – Jane Uphouse

- C. Maintenance/Custodial Report – Glenn Cameron
- D. Athletic Director – Lisa Megown
- E. Special Education – Tom Podpora
- F. Somerset Technology – Mike Diehl – SCTC staffing and program update provided.
- G. Principal's Report – Chris Shilk

Approval of School Photography Contract

David Tannehill moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve the School Photography Contract with G & G Studios for the 2026-2027 school year as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

- H. Superintendent – Nicole Dice

Approval of attendance at the School Leadership Conference – June 17, 2026

Terry Bender moved and Nathan Enos seconded a motion to approve for Dr. Nicole Dice to attend the School Leadership Conference on June 17, 2026 in Indiana, Pa pending approval of being a presenter as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Executive Session

Dean Hay moved and Gerald Conn seconded a motion that the Board go into Executive Session for Personnel/Student matters at 7:38 p.m. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*
The Board of Directors resumed their regular meeting at 8:40 p.m.

ITEM #14. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Approval to acknowledge Receipt of Resignation – Amanda Younkin

Nathan Enos moved and Dean Hay seconded a motion to approve to acknowledge the receipt of the resignation of Amanda Younkin as Business Manager, Board Secretary and Co-Athletic Director effective end of day April 16, 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of returning summer student part time custodial employees

Nathan Enos moved and Dean Hay seconded a motion to approve to acknowledge the return of summer student part time custodial employees Rhylan Rugg and Kylie Nace at an hourly rate of \$9.50 as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of Motion to non-renew a Temporary Professional Employee Agreement

Nathan Enos moved and Dean Hay seconded a motion to approve to non-renew the Temporary Professional Employee Agreement of Jason Turner effective April 7, 2026, and authorize the Board President to execute any necessary paperwork to effectuate same as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

Approval of Ignite Contract for Business Manager Consulting Services

Nathan Enos moved and Dean Hay seconded a motion to approve the contract with Ignite for Business Manager Consulting Services effective April 13, 2026 as presented. *All members present voted in the*

affirmative.

Approval of Educational Program Reorganization

Nathan Enos moved and Dean Hay seconded a motion to approve the following, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, in accordance with Section 1124.2 of the Pennsylvania School Code of 1949, as amended, in order to promote a more effective and efficient educational program and to conform with standards of reorganization, to approve alteration/curtailment of the educational program to eliminate/discontinue the following:

One (1) secondary math teacher effective the end of the 2025-2026 school term. The affected employee is April Ely.

The Board Secretary, Superintendent or designee shall take such other action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out this motion, including, but not limited to, notifying the affected individual, in writing, of this action and the adoption of this motion as presented. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*

ITEM #15. NEGOTIATIONS AND GRIEVANCES COMMITTEE

ITEM #16. VISITOR COMMENTS

ITEM #17. ADJOURNMENT

David Tannehill moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion for the Board adjourn at 8:44 p.m. *All members present voted in the affirmative.*