

Pine Grove Area School District



Regular Board Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, June 16, 2026 @ 6:00pm
Middle School Library

Mr. Dave Lukasewicz
Board President

Mr. Heath W. Renninger
Superintendent

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Donald E. Brown, Jr.	Amanda Daubert	Dave Frew	J.T. Herber
Genavieve Moyer	Kim Pribilla	Lauren Potter	Randy Stump
Dave Lukasewicz			

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

5. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Approve to authorize the Superintendent to hire from this meeting until the end of August 2026, if necessary.

B. Approval to appoint Rieleigh Purcell as the Student Representative to the School Board for the 2026-2027 School Year.

INFORMATIONAL: The Board met in an Executive Session as a requirement under Section 1309-B of the PA Public School Code in order for the school Safety and Security Coordinator to report on current Safety and Security practices and discuss strategies for improvement.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the May 21, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

8. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – *Dave Frew, Chairperson*

A. A motion is requested to approve the Moyer Electric quotes for TVs, speakers, electronics, and all components for the Career Center (Library) in the amount of \$35,800. This will be funded through Capital Projects.

9. CURRICULUM – *Genavieve Moyer, Chairperson*

- A. A motion is requested to approve an Elementary Math Intervention Pilot Program. The program will be funded through the Ready to Learn Grant.

10. FINANCE/AUDIT – *Dave Frew, Chairperson*

- A. A motion is requested to adopt the resolution for the Levy of School District taxes for the school year 2026-2027. The tax rates have increased .2437 mills over the prior year. Tax rate for general purposes, the sum of 9.9922 on real property on each dollar of assessed valuation.

<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
\$31,865,710	\$31,865,710

- B. A motion is requested to approve the 2026-2027 Pine Grove Area School District Proposed Final Budget. The budget is open for public inspection. The proposed final budget is balanced.

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- C. A motion is requested to adopt the resolution for the 2026-2027 General Fund Budget.
- D. Approval to request a \$250.00 tax levy on the occupation of individuals within the district.
- E. Approval to request a 1% tax levy on earned income under Act 511 (to be shared with the component municipalities).
- F. Approval to request a 1% levy on transfer of real estate under Act 511 (to be shared with municipalities).
- G. Approval to request a \$10.00 tax levied on the privilege of engaging in an occupation within the Pine Grove Area School District.
- H. Approval to adopt the 2026-2027 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution.
- I. Approval to extend the discount due date on the 2026 School District Real Estate Tax Bill from 8/31/2026 to 9/30/2026 and the face period due date from 10/31/2026 to 11/30/2026. The penalty period will be after 11/30/2026 until 12/31/2026.
- J. Approval of the bills for payment.
- K. Approval of the treasurer’s report.
- L. A motion is requested to approve the PSBA Membership Invoice at a cost of \$13,538.41.

- M. A motion is requested to approve awarding the following bids for the 2026-2027 school year:
- Coal to Reading Anthracite in the amount of \$275/ton (p/y \$285).
 - Propane to Koppy's Propane in the amount of \$1.499/gallon (p/y \$1.349/gallon).
 - Lumber to Werner's Lumber in the amount of \$3.83 for Red Oak (p/y \$3.82) and \$1.89 for Pine (P/Y \$1.89).
 - Municipal Waste to Waste Management in the amount of \$27,882.72 (p/y \$28,420.02, extra trash \$125 (p/y \$150), and extra recycle \$100 (p/y \$150).
- N. Approval to appoint Angel Green, Business Administrator as the Management Trustee to the Berks County School District Healthcare Trust for the 2026-2027 school year.
- O. Approval to transfer \$2,226,805 from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund. This transfer is part of the 2025-26 budget.
- P. Approval of the 2026-2027 Berks County Schools Districts Health Trust: Single - \$1,133.88 per month; Two-Party - \$2,415.15 per month; Family - \$3,288.29 per month. This is an increase of 14.72% over prior year.
- Q. Approval of the 2026-2027 rates for the Schuylkill County School Employees Health and Welfare Trust: Dental - decrease of .41% compared to last year. Single - \$34.21; Husband and Wife - \$68.42; Parent and Child - \$68.42; Parent and Children - \$85.53; Family - \$85.53; Composite - \$66.15.
- R. Approval of the 2026-2027 PSEA Health and Welfare Trust for Vision insurance coverage. The rates will be the same as our 2025-2026 PSEA vision insurance rates: Single - \$7.70; Husband and Wife - \$15.40; Parent and Child - \$15.40; Parent and Children - \$19.25; Family - \$19.25; Composite - \$14.81.
- S. Approval to authorize the Business Administrator to make the necessary budgetary transfers for the 2025-2026 school year expenditures to avoid budgetary line item categorical over-under expenditures resulting from local audit reclassifications. This blanket authorization is restricted to those transfers required as a result of local audit reclassifications and will be reported as required at subsequent school board meetings in accordance with the directives received from the Auditors General's Office.
- T. A motion is requested to approve the agreement for Participation in Child Nutrition Programs between Pine Grove Area School District and Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Schuylkill County AVTS Operating Agency.
- U. A motion is requested to approve a payment received from Blue Cross Blue Shield in the amount of \$45,682.88 for a class action settlement filed in 2021.

- V. A motion is requested to approve exempting the property of Richard and Erma Zimmerman situate at 170 Keefer Road, Pine Grove, from taxes. The exemption shall be for 2026 as the result of the property owner qualifying for a full exemption by the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.
- W. A motion is requested to approve exempting the property of Daniel and Kathleen Nagle situate at 197 Dad Burnhams Road, Pine Grove, from taxes. The exemption shall be for 2026 as the result of the property owner qualifying for a full exemption by the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.
- X. A motion is requested to approve exempting the property of Bobby and Bonnie Brown situate at 824 Canal Drive, Pine Grove, from taxes. The exemption shall be for 2026 as the result of the property owner qualifying for a full exemption by the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.
- Y. A motion is requested to approve the appointment of Seltzer Insurance Agency of Orwigsburg as insurance advisor for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Z. A motion to approve Portnoff Law Associates, LTD. to move forward with the writs of execution for Parcels 21-22-0010, 33-12-0005.005, 58-06-0017, 67-03-0106.001, 67-03-0134.
- AA. A motion is requested to approve the Disposition of Assets as found in the Board Packet and to dispose of them as per Board Policy.

INFORMATIONAL: Pine Grove Area School District received a Notice of Sheriff's Sale for properties 12-07-0017, 67-01-0006.002 and 67-04-0256

11. EXTRA-CURRICULAR – *Randy Stump, Chairperson*

- A. Approval to hire Scott Dimon as Athletic Director for the 2026-2027 school year at a stipend of \$10,780.
- B. Approval to hire Jamie Hitz as Assistant Athletic Director for the 2026-2027 school year at a stipend of \$7,975.
- C. A motion is requested to approve the letter of resignation from Lynne Delinko as Head Cross-County Coach.
- D. A motion is requested to approve advertising for the position of Head Baseball Coach.
- E. A motion is requested to approve advertising for the position of Head Track & Field Coach.

12. PERSONNEL – *Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson.*

- A. A motion is requested to approve the revised Pine Grove Area School District Organizational Chart and Employee Evaluation Framework.

- B. A motion to approve the following staff members for retirement under Incentive Opportunity #2-2027 effective June 30, 2027:
Carol Warner
Susan Skripko
Michelle Hinderliter
- C. A motion is requested to approve the MOU with the Act 93 Management Team.
- D. A motion is requested to approve the MOU with AFSCME.
- E. A motion is requested to approve a correction to the employment classification of Doreen Houseknecht from Paraprofessional I to Paraprofessional II retroactive to her date of hire of August 17, 2023.
- F. A motion is requested to approve payment to Doreen Houseknecht in the sum of \$3,608.33, the amount calculated to be due and owing to her as per the retroactive salary adjustment in accordance with her corrected classification and the applicable terms of the AFSCME Collective Bargaining Agreement with the District.
- G. A motion is requested to ratify approving the letter of resignation from Kelly Wolfe from her position as Health Room Technician effective June 12, 2026.
- H. A motion is requested to approve the letter of intent to retire from Christopher Burak from his position as High School General Science/Biology Teacher effective the end of the 2025/2026 school year.
- I. A motion is requested to approve the letter of resignation from Patti Minehan from her position as Paraprofessional effective the end of the 2025/2026 school year.
- J. A motion is requested to approve the letter of resignation from Brooklynn Kellagher from her position as Speech-Language Pathologist effective June 30, 2026.
- K. A motion is requested to approve hiring Kaylee Leininger as a paraprofessional for the ESY Program for the summer of 2026. Kaylee will be paid \$12.35 per hour.
- L. Approval to ratify hiring the following summer workers for Buildings and Grounds and the Technology Department: Mason Boyer, Ian Brown, Kyran Brucker, Taylor Enge, Owen Hatfield, Kylie Hatter, Kayleigh Lynn, Robert Miller, Gianna Pompei, Collin Shanahan, Dennis Moyer. They will work 25 hours per week at \$10.00 per hour.
- M. A motion to ratify hiring Nikita Merwine as Cleaning Person. Nikita will be paid \$13.00 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. Her start day was June 4, 2026.

- N. A motion to ratify hiring Cathy Burns as Cleaning Person. Cathy will be paid \$13.00 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. Her start day was June 4, 2026.
- O. A motion to ratify hiring Brady Gehres as Cleaning Person. Brady will be paid \$13.00 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. His start day was June 4, 2026.
- P. A motion is requested to approve hiring Morgan Beige as a Temporary Professional starting with the 2026/2027 school year. Morgan will be paid Bachelor's Step 1 for a salary of \$52,000 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. She will teach Math and be assigned to the High School.
- Q. A motion is requested to approve hiring Gillian Cheezum as a Temporary Professional starting with the 2026/2027 school year. Gillian will be paid Bachelor's Step 2 for a salary of \$52,390 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. She will teach Instrumental Music and be assigned to the Middle School.
- R. A motion is requested to approve hiring Bradley Demler as a Temporary Professional starting with the 2026/2027 school year. Bradley will be paid Bachelor's+15 Step 11 for a salary of \$60,170 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. He will teach Business and be assigned to the High School.
- S. A motion is requested to approve moving Dana Moser from Special Education Paraprofessional to Regular Education Paraprofessional beginning the start of the 2026/2027 school year.
- T. A motion is requested to approve moving Brenda Lengel from Special Education Paraprofessional to Regular Education Paraprofessional beginning the start of the 2026/2027 school year.
- U. A motion is requested to approve granting tenure to the following teachers: Noah Allegretta, Nikkole Brown, Melissa Hannevig, Ty Kistler, Courtney Krise, Victoria Krumanocker, Erica Lis, Hannah Werley, Joshua Zelinsky, Rose Ward, Vicki Martinez.
- V. Motion to approve Sargent Curtis Johnson, JROTC instructor. Sargent Johnson's salary will be based on the minimum instructor pay (MIP) and will be an 11-month employee. Approximately \$70,610.83.

13. POLICY – J.T. Herber, Chairperson

- A. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #102 “Academic Standards.”
- B. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #103 “Discrimination/ Harassment Affecting Students.”
- C. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #104 “Discrimination/ Harassment Affecting Staff.”

- D. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #105 “Curriculum.”
- E. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #105.2 “Exemption from Instruction.”
- F. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #200 “Enrollment in District.”
- G. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #209.2 “Diabetes Management.”
- H. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #216 “Student Records.”
- I. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #218.1 “Weapons.”
- J. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #225 “Students and Law Enforcement.”
- K. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #317 “Conduct/ Disciplinary Procedures.”
- L. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #320 “Freedom of Speech by Employees.”
- M. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #718 “Service Animals in Schools.”
- N. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #805.1 “Relations with Law Enforcement.”
- O. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #805.2 “School Security Personnel.”
- P. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #816 “District Social Media.”
- Q. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #827 “Conflict of Interest.”
- R. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #006 “Meetings.”
- S. Approval of the 1st reading of Policy #237 “Electronic Devices.”

14. TRANSPORTATION – Lauren Potter, Chairperson

15. TECHNOLOGY – Donald E. Brown, Jr., Chairperson

- A. A motion is requested to approve the quote from GDC for the server infrastructure project, not to exceed \$150,000.
- B. A motion is requested to approve disposing of old technology listed in the attached spreadsheet. All equipment is disposed of through an electronic cycling program.

16. SCHUYLKILL INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT - *Dave Lukasewicz and Kim Pribilla, Representative*

17. PUBLIC COMMENTS

18. ADJOURNMENT