



POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

Howard S. Fernsler Academic Center

August 12, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

MEETING OPENING

Subject 1.1 Opening – Mr. Harry Ciavarella / Pledge

Subject 1.2 Roll Call – Mrs. Krista Bevan

Subject 1.3 Public Comment

A reminder to the public that the public comment period is not a question and answer period, but rather the opportunity for the public to submit comments to the Board. Public comments will follow our public comment procedures which require members of the public to identify themselves by indicating name and address. If members of the public wish to make public comments, then they must do so in person.

Are there any public comments at this time?

GENERAL

Subject 2.1 Superintendent Report – Dr. Guy Lowery

Subject 2.2 Athletics and Extracurricular Activities – Mr. Craig Shields

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the Concession Agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and the Pottsville Zone, effective August 19, 2026, pending solicitor review and approval.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the Concession Agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and CFS McGinty, LLC, effective August 19, 2026, pending solicitor review and approval.

Discussion:

Subject 2.3 Facilities and Grounds – Mr. Harry Ciavarella

Facilities and Grounds Agenda

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the decommission of the following antiquated items:
 - a. Pottsville Area High School - Cafeteria tables and chairs
 - b. DHH Lengel Middle School – sofa
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of a 2027 F-350 4x4 SD Crew Cab 8' box 176"WB SRW XL (W3B) with 9' Western Pro Plus plow with rubber deflector - \$61,065.00. COSTARS contract #025-E23-611.
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the following water meter chamber replacements:
 - John S. Clarke Elementary**
4-inch chamber replacement
Chamber Cost \$2,290.79 + Time and Material (~\$250-\$500 although could be higher if issues occur).
 - DHH Lengle Middle School**
4-inch chamber replacement
Chamber Cost \$2,290.79 + Time and Material (~\$250-\$500 although could be higher if issues occur).
 - Pottsville Area High School**
6-inch chamber replacement
Chamber Cost \$4,253.40 + Time and Material (~\$250-\$500 although could be higher if issues occur).

Discussion:

Use of Facilities Requests:

Subject 2.4 Finance – Mr. Harry Ciavarella

Finance Committee Agenda

1. Treasurer's Report (All Funds)

- General Fund Balance as of July 31, 2026 - \$5,850,005.30
 - Cafeteria Checking Balance as of July 31, 2026 - \$996,345.63
2. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Revenue Report
 3. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Expenditure Report
 4. Cafeteria Condensed Board Summary Report
 5. Payment Summary
 6. Budget Transfers
 7. It is recommended that the Board approve the Business Associate Agreement and a Letter of Agreement between Safety Net Counseling Inc. and the Pottsville Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year, pending solicitor review and approval.
 8. It is recommended that the Board approve the one-year agreement with Language Line Services, Inc. for LanguageLine Phone and InSight Video Interpreting services pending solicitor review and approval.
 9. It is recommended that the Board approve the Partnership Agreement with Keystone/Red Rock Job Corps Center and the Pottsville Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year, pending solicitor review and approval.
 10. It is recommended that the Board approve the Service Agreement with Matrix for the 2026 - 2027 school year including Extended School Year (ESY) for Classroom Support Staff at \$55/hour and PA Licensed Behavior Support \$100/hr, pending solicitor review and approval.
 11. It is recommended that the Board approve the Agreement for a district-wide keynote presentation between Association of Washington School Principals. and the Pottsville Area School District for professional keynote delivery for the district's opening/kickoff event on August 25, 2026 - \$5000, pending solicitor review and approval.

Discussion:

Subject 2.5 Technology – Mr. Bob Thomas

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of two Apple Mac Mini's -
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the quote from CDW-G for five Newline 75 Q Ultra 4K Touch Displays with mobile stands - PEPPM contract # 548362-161 - \$16,260.

Discussion:

Subject 2.6 Curriculum – Mrs. Stephanie Buchanan

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the LIEP Service Agreement between the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Pottsville Area School District for the provision of Language Instruction Education Program (LIEP) Services for the Fiscal Year 2026-27, pending solicitor review and approval.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the pilot for the 2026-2027 school year with SAVVAS Learning Company for D'Nealian Handwriting grades 1-4, to be paid with Ready-to-Learn grant funds - \$13,961.05.
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the pilot for the 2026-2027 school year with Learning Without Tears for Handwriting Without Tears grades 1-4, to be paid with Ready-to-Learn grant funds.
4. It is recommended that the Board approve the 2026-2027 Schoolwide Plans for the following school locations:

John S. Clarke Elementary Center (Schoolwide Title I)
D.H.H Lengel Middle School (CSI)

Discussion:

Subject 2.7 Transportation – Dr. Ashley DeWitt

Discussion:

Subject 2.8 Policy & Procedure – Mrs. Rachael Hobbs

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the second reading of the proposed revisions to Pottsville Area School District policy 237, Electronic Communication Devices.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the second reading of the proposed revisions to Pottsville Area School District policy 204, Attendance.
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the revision to Pottsville Area School District policy 804, School Day.

Discussion:

Subject 2.9 Food Services – Mr. Kerry Ansbach

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the following bids for the 2026 - 2027 school year:
 - a. Hershey's Ice Cream - ice cream products
 - b. Guers Dairy - milk, 100% orange juice, iced tea, 20% orange drink, lemonade, and spring water
 - c. Moribito Baking Co. Inc - bread and baked goods, with option to purchase specialty rolls from an alternate vendor should these products not meet our standards
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the following second meal breakfast and lunch prices for students, the adult meal prices and milk prices for the 2026-2027 school year:

Breakfast Prices:

Elementary student-\$2.10

Secondary student-\$2.30

Adult-\$3.50

Extra milk-\$0.80

Lunch Prices:

Elementary student-\$3.10

Secondary student-\$3.30

Adult-\$5.25

Extra milk-\$0.80

Discussion:

Subject 2.10 Promotion, Public Relations & Social Media – Mr. Kyle Crouse

Discussion:

Subject 2.11 IU Representative – Mr. Bob Thomas

Discussion:

Subject 2.12 Safety and Security – Board Secretary

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the 2025-2026 Safe Schools Annual Report and the Memorandums of Understanding between The Pottsville Bureau of Police and John S. Clarke Elementary Center; The Pottsville Bureau of Police and DHH Lengel Middle School; The Pottsville Bureau of Police and Pottsville Area High School; and The Pottsville Bureau of Police and Pottsville Area School District.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the quote from Advanced Communication Solutions for two Ubiquiti Nanobeam 5AC Gen 2 point-to-point access points in the elevator car, including installation, at the Pottsville Area High School - \$1,750

3. It is recommended that the Board approve the Quote from Greens Communications for twenty Portable Radios, COSTARS Contract #012-E23-317 for \$23,952.00.

ADJOURNMENT

Subject 3.1 Adjourn