

WYOMING VALLEY WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT
AGENDA
REGULAR AUGUST MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026 @ 7:00 PM
MIDDLE SCHOOL, KINGSTON
In Person and Zoom Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOLLOWED BY SALUTE TO THE FLAG
3. PRESIDENT KAMUS (Announce Executive Session)
4. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS – Dr. Charles Suppon Jr.
5. STATEMENTS FROM INTERESTED CITIZENS: **Citizens wishing to address the Board must sign in five (5) minutes prior to the start of each meeting.** Citizens addressing the Board are asked to state their name and town of residence in accordance with Board Policy #903. (copy available) Statements are limited to **three (3) minutes.**
6. APPROVE MINUTES: Regular **June 10, 2026** Board Meeting; **Special Meeting July 10, 2026** for General Purposes, and **Special Meeting August 7, 2026** for General Purposes.
7. **GENERAL RECOMMENDED ACTION**
 - A. RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR ACTION:
 1. Approve revised **Policy 716**, Integrated Pest Management. (Second Reading)
 2. Approve **Real Estate Property Tax Exemption** through the Pennsylvania State Veterans' Commission to the following:
 - ❖ Joyce M Barber
 - ❖ Justin Cancel
 - ❖ John A Dinoski
 - ❖ Asa B Emel
 - ❖ Horst D Prapoelenis
 - ❖ David Williams
 3. Request Boroughs and/or their Educational Service Agencies or equivalent agencies to place school **crossing guards** at locations for the 2026/2027 school year; school district to pay 60% of the borough's hourly rate paid to each crossing guard, for up to 3 hours per day while school is in session.
 4. Approve the positions of **Head School Physician** (Dr. Almeky), **School Physician** (Dr. Mangino), and **School Dentist** (Dr. Hughes) and establish salaries, hours, and rates for the 2026/2027 fiscal year.
 5. Approve Agreement between Wyoming Valley West School District and **Luzerne County Juvenile Probation Department** for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.
 6. Approve proposal from **Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.** for environmental services.
 7. Approve **School Health Services Regulations and Procedure Handbook.**
 8. Approve Affiliation Agreement between **Robert Morris University** and Wyoming Valley West School District.
 9. Approve Resolution authorizing submission of a **Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Application.**
 10. Approve Resolution requesting a **Public School Facility Improvement Grant** for the renovation of the Third Avenue Educational Center.
 11. Award **bids** which were received and opened on Tuesday, July 7, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. for the following:
 - ❖ **Paper and General Supplies**

12. Accept an \$8,000 donation from **Vertical Bridge**.
13. Approve the High School, Middle School, and Elementary **Student Handbooks** for the 2026/2027 school year.
14. Approve and review the **2026/20267 High School A-TSI Plan** (Additional Targeted Support and Improvement Plan).
15. Approve and review the **2026/2027 Dana Street Elementary Center Title I TSI Plan** (Targeted Support and Improvement Plan).
16. Approve and review the **2026/2027 Middle School A-TSI Plan** (Additional Targeted Support and Improvement Plan).
17. Approve **Land Lease Agreement** between Wyoming Valley West School District and Northeast Pennsylvania SMSA Limited Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, pending solicitor approval.
18. Approve **Settlement Agreement** #33334-25-26-KE.
19. Approve **Settlement Agreement** #29589-23-24 AF.
20. Approve **Wyoming Valley West School District Facilities Usage Form**, effective August 13, 2026.
21. Approve **Wyoming Valley West High School STEM Endorsement Program**.
22. Approve **Agreement for Consulting Services** between Wyoming Valley West School District and Deborah Troy. (as needed basis)
23. Accept donation of new clothing for Wyoming Valley West Elementary Students from the **Forty Fort United Methodist Church**.

8. **STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- A. RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR ACTION:
 1. Approve **excused absences** June 1, 2026 – July 31, 2026.
 2. Accept the following **resignations**:
 - ❖ **Angelica Rosario**, Cleaner, State Street, effective June 2, 2026.
 - ❖ **Shawn Temarantz**, Emotional Support Classroom Aide, State Street, effective June 30, 2026.
 - ❖ **Arianna Remish**, Emotional Support Classroom Aide, High School, effective July 22, 2026.
 - ❖ **Autumn Gaylord**, PCA, Chester Street, effective August 22, 2026.
 3. Rescind the following appointment, **Ashley Hernandez**, Nurse Assistant, effective TBD, \$160/day.
 4. Appoint the following **new hires**; \$16.50/hour:
 - ❖ **Donna Wynn**, Autistic Support Classroom Aide, State Street, effective September 2, 2026.
 - ❖ **Hilari Shehwen**, Autistic Support Classroom Aide, State Street, effective September 2, 2026.
 - ❖ **Jordan Hodle**, Emotional Support Classroom Aide, Middle School, effective September 2, 2026.
 - ❖ **Ashley Parr**, General Duty Aide, State Street, effective August 24, 2026.
 - ❖ **Kelsey Cunningham**, Computer Aide, Dana Street, effective September 2, 2026.
 5. Accept resignation, with regret, **Anthony Dicton**, Director of Transportation/Director of Safety & Security, effective TBD.
 6. Approve Sabbatical Leave, **Emp. #598283**, effective the 2026/2027 school year.
 7. Approve Child Rearing Leave, **Emp. #412628**, effective the 2026/2027 school year.
 8. Approve Medical Leave, **Emp. #325323**, effective the 2026/2027 school year.
 9. Approve to adjust the salary column placement, **Emp. #483884**, from B+18, Step 1 to B+18, Step 2, consistent with Article 26 of the CBA.

10. Appoint the following **Mentors** for 2026/2027: (High School)

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Angela Fanielli	Suzanne Aboutanos-Fellerman
Kaitlyn Finnerty	Lauren Jaimes
Margaret Jockel	Christina Cawthern

11. Appoint the following recommended **2026 Fall Coaches**:

<u>SPORT/POSITION</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
<u>GIRLS TENNIS</u>	
VARSITY 9-12 Laura Thompson	\$3071
<u>GIRLS VOLLEYBALL</u>	
VARSITY 9-12 Ashley Temarantz	\$4765
ASSISTANT 9-12 Damion Pick	\$3071
MIDDLE SCHOOL COED Kristen Kaminski	\$3071
<u>FIELD HOCKEY</u>	
VARSITY 10-12 Lois Krause	\$4451
ASSISTANT 10-12 Callie Edwards	\$3099
ASSISTANT 7-9 Olivia Gayoski	\$3099
ASSISTANT 7-9 Irelynd Sullivan	\$3099
<u>CROSS COUNTRY (BOYS & GIRLS)</u>	
VARSITY 10-12 Elizabeth Kane	\$3099
ASSISTANT 7-9 Mallory Urbanski	\$2149
ASSISTANT 7-9 Jacob Weston	\$2149
<u>SOCCER</u>	
BOYS VARSITY 9-12 Gerry Kasuda	\$3857
BOYS ASSISTANT VARSITY 9-12 Augustine Gomez	\$2157
ASSISTANT (BOYS) 7-9 Antonio Sosa	\$2157
GIRLS VARSITY 9-12 Stephanie Gover	\$3857
GIRLS ASSISTANT VARSITY 9-12 Kennedy Josefowicz	\$2157
ASSISTANT (GIRLS) 7-9 Olivia Riviello	\$2157
<u>GOLF</u>	
VARSITY 9-12 Nick Kuscavage	\$3070
<u>FOOTBALL</u>	
VARSITY 10-12 Brydon Rukstalis	\$9524
ASSISTANT 10-12 Paul Patara	\$4903
ASSISTANT 10-12 Jack Baranski	\$4903
ASSISTANT 10-12 John Karazia	\$4903
ASSISTANT 10-12 Bill Halenda	\$4903
ASSISTANT 9 (HEAD) Matt Yekel	\$4295
ASSISTANT 9 PJ Cwalina	\$3813
ASSISTANT 7-8 Dillon Ryman	\$3813
ASSISTANT 7-8 Marques Cooley	\$3813
<u>WEIGHT LIFTING</u>	
9-12 Brydon Rukstalis	\$8150
<u>CHEERLEADER</u>	
VARSITY 10-12 Julia Jonelunas	\$3579
JR. VARSITY 9-12 Avery Zdancewicz	\$2617
JR. HIGH 7-9 Abby Schaal	\$2045
<u>ESPORTS</u>	
FALL COACH Robert Perrin	\$3135

12. Appoint the following **Mentors** for 2026/2027: (Middle School)

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Margaret Barilla	Erica Drako
Thomas Federici	Lennae Thompson-Pellam
Ashley Gregorowicz	Kristen Stuffick
William McClure IV	Lynn Shymanski
Jenna Vallo	Donna Maxwell

13. Appoint _____, Director of Safety and Security, effective TBD, \$75,000. Pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork, and proper certification.
14. Appoint **Kirsten Rosentel**, long-term substitute, effective August 31, 2026. Pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork, and proper certification.
15. Appoint **Maeve McAvoy**, long-term substitute, effective August 31, 2026. Pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork, and proper certification.
16. Appoint **Kiara Serrano**, Autistic Support Teacher, Middle School, effective August 31, 2026, \$53,556. Pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork, and proper certification.
17. Appoint **Arielle Thompson**, Autistic Support Teacher, Dana Street, effective August 31, 2026, \$60,530. Pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork, and proper certification.
18. Appoint **William McClure IV**, Math Teacher, 6th Grade Middle School, effective August 31, 2026, \$73,908. Pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork, and proper certification.

9. **FINANCE RECOMMENDED ACTION**

A. RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR ACTION:

1. Accept and approve the following as presented: **Bills for Payment, Finance Manager's Reports, and Treasurer's Report.**

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

September Work Session - Wednesday, September 2, 2026 - 7:00 PM

Regular September Meeting - Wednesday, September 9, 2026 - 7:00 PM

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