

Pine Grove Area School District



**Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 21, 2026 @ 6:00pm
Middle School Library**

**Mr. Dave Lukasewicz
Board President**

**Mr. Heath W. Renninger
Superintendent**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – President Lukasewicz called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Donald E. Brown, Jr.	Amanda Daubert	Dave Frew (by phone)	J.T. Herber
Genavieve Moyer	Kim Pribilla	Lauren Potter	Randy Stump
Dave Lukasewicz	Zofia Fegley, Student Representative		

Others in Attendance: Heath Renninger, Angel Green, Brittney Harner, Steph Ziegmont, Bernie Kelly, Mike Janicelli, Kerri Clauser, Scott Dimon, Rich Dunkelberger, Corey Mentzer, Corrine Stricker, Bill Kimber, Mary Jo Nabholz, Art Aungst, Todd Lenge, Abigail Daukaus, Amber Moyer and family, Joelle Bretz, Erin Frantz, Luke McMurtrie, Shandra Allar, Jared McCabe, Students of the month and families.

4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Renninger wanted to thank and congratulate the faculty, staff, and students on another very successful school year.

- School will be closed Friday and Monday for Memorial Day.
- On May 22, 2026 there is a kick off meeting for the summer construction project in the High School.
- On May 26, 2026, Middle School will have their field day.
- Bachelorette will be held on May 27, 2026
- On May 28, 2026 there will be the senior walk through, Elementary will have their field day and it is also Class Nigh for seniors.
- Pre-K Counts graduation will be held on June 2, 2026 during the school day. There will be 4th grade graduation that evening.
- High School Graduation for the Class of 2026 will be held on Wednesday, June 3, 2026.
- Thursday, June 4, 2026 will conclude the teacher's professional year for the 2025/2026 school year.

Mike Janicelli, Heath Renninger and Dave Lukasewicz honored May Seniors of the Month – Taylor Bast and Callee Leffler

Rich Dunkelberger, Heath Renninger and Dave Lukasewicz honored May 8th Graders of the Month – Mariah Heinbach and Leah Natale

Superintendent Renninger and President Dave Lukasewicz rewarded Zofia Fegley with a \$500 scholarship from PARSS.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the April 16, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes and the May 5, 2026 Special Board Meeting Minutes.*

Vote was Unanimous

8. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Dave Frew, Chairperson

- A. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the Schuylkill County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and complete the attached Promulgation Statement.*

Vote was Unanimous

- B. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve purchasing High School classroom furniture and the board room tables and chairs from STS Furniture at a cost not to exceed \$80,000.00. These funds are currently allocated in the Abatement Project.*

Vote was Unanimous

9. CURRICULUM – Genavieve Moyer, Chairperson

- A. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 2026 Graduate List.*

Vote was Unanimous

- B. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the High School FFA members trip to Penn State, University Park for the 2026 PA FFA Activities week from June 9, 2026 until June 11, 2026.*

Vote was Unanimous

10. FINANCE/AUDIT – Dave Frew, Chairperson

- A. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve a Resolution authorizing the establishment of an equalized real estate tax rate in the amount of 9.7485 mills following the county-wide reassessment.*

**Roll Call Vote: 9 yes, 0 no
Motion Passes**

- B. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve the 2026-2027 Pine Grove Area School District Proposed Final Budget. The budget is open for public inspection. The proposed budget is balanced. The proposed budget also includes a tax increase of .2437 mills.*

Revenues
\$31,865,710

Expenditures
\$31,865,710

Roll Call Vote: 9 yes, 0 no
Motion Passes

- C. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve a Resolution authorizing an increase of .2437 mills to a new tax rate of 9.9922 mills.*

Roll Call Vote: 9 yes, 0 no
Motion Passes

- D. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the bills for payment.*

Vote was Unanimous

- E. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve the treasurer's report.*

Vote was Unanimous

- F. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the contract with Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU) for Computer Services Rates for the 2026-2027 School Year in the amount of \$21,884. This is a decrease of \$1,207 from the prior year.*

Vote was Unanimous

- G. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve the contract with SCView Document Management System for the 2026-2027 School Year in the amount of \$11,990. This is an increase of \$951 from the prior year.*

Vote was Unanimous

- H. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve the FSMC Renewal Contract for Cafeteria Services with Metz Culinary Management for the 2026-2027 school year. The 2026-2027 contract represents the first optional renewal year of the contract and contains a guarantee of \$15,000.*

Vote was Unanimous

- I. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the meal prices for the 2026/2027 school year. There will be no price increase from the 2025/2026 school year rates:*

Elementary and Middle School:

Breakfast – Free for all students

Lunch - \$2.55 for paid students (free for students eligible for reduced or free program)

Adults: \$4.00

High School:

Breakfast – Free for all students

Lunch - \$2.75 for paid students (free for students eligible for reduced or free program)

Adults: \$4.00

Vote was Unanimous

- J. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve the contract with Thomas Piano Service to tune the district pianos. The cost of tuning each piano is \$95.00 per piano when tuning multiple pianos per visit. The cost of tuning a single piano per visit, such as the grand piano for a concert, drama event, etc. is \$132.00.*

Vote was Unanimous

- K. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve the Dental Services Agreement with Lehigh Valley Hospital, Inc. to offer dental services to underserved students through its mobile clinic in addition to its other dental clinic locations.*

Vote was Unanimous

- L. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve exonerating and forgiving the district's portion of back taxes owed with respect to 0 Mill Street in the borough of Pine Grove., as such property has been acquired by the borough pursuant to an action for conservatorship and will be used for municipal purposes.*

Vote was Unanimous

- M. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve exempting the property of Mark and Tammy Todero situate at 17 Maple Avenue, Pine Grove, from taxes. The exemption shall be retroactive to 2025 as the result of the property owner qualifying for a full exemption by the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.*

Vote was Unanimous

- N. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve exempting the property of Diane Hart situate at 100 Walters Street, 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.*

Vote was Unanimous

- O. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve* exempting the property of Richard Heim situate at 105 Rail Ln, Schuylkill Haven, 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.

Vote was Unanimous

- P. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve* exempting the property of Shawn Kimmel situate at 33 Berger 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.

Vote was Unanimous

- Q. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve* exempting the property of John and Becky McNulty situate at 29 Oak Grove 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.

Vote was Unanimous

- R. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve* the Disposition of Assets as found in the Board Packet and to dispose of them as per Board Policy.

Vote was Unanimous

11. EXTRA-CURRICULAR – Randy Stump, Chairperson

- A. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by J.T. Herber to approve* the following Volleyball Assistants for the 2026/2027 season:

Macie Brown at a stipend of \$3,300

Russ Frantz at a stipend of \$3,300

Alexa Kolb at a split stipend of \$1,650

Makenzie Daubert at a split stipend of \$1,650

Volunteers: Megan Wolfe, Holly Lyons, Kailen Felty, Brittanie Deibler, Daryl Wessner, Tessa Bohn, Becky Griffiths, Adreinne Connaghan, Alexis Rothermel, Barbara Dimon, Ella Griffiths

Vote was Unanimous with the exception of A. Daubert, who abstained.

- B. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve* the following Girls Soccer Assistants for the 2026/2027 season:

Danielle Readinger at a stipend of \$3,300

Samantha Fisher at a stipend of \$3,300

Julia Fox at a stipend of \$3,300

Andrew Lesh, Junior High, at a stipend of \$3,300

Volunteers: Dave Lukasewicz

Vote was Unanimous with the exception of D. Lukasewicz, who abstained.

- C. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the following Boys Soccer Assistants for the 2026/2027 season:*

Kaden Lengle at a stipend of \$3,300

Jarrold Newswanger at a stipend of \$3,300

Trey Kolb at a stipend of \$3,300

Bobby Wolfgang, Junior High, at a stipend of \$3,300

Karen Unger, Junior High, at a stipend of \$3,300

Volunteers: Bryce Weber, Brett Weber, Damon Seiverling, Kale Lengle

Vote was Unanimous

- D. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the following Golf Assistants for the 2026/2027 season:*

Suzanne Dubbs at a stipend of \$1,650

Vote was Unanimous

- E. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve allowing Spring sports teams overnight stays, as determined by the Superintendent, during the 2026 post season.*

Vote was Unanimous

12. PERSONNEL – Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson

- A. *A. Daubert made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to ratify approving Medical Leave for Professional Employee #94039 from April 15, 2026 until May 8, 2026.*

Vote was Unanimous

- B. *A. Daubert made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the letter of resignation from Grace Young from her position as Band Director, effective August 1, 2026.*

Vote was Unanimous

- C. *A. Daubert made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to ratify approving the letter of resignation from Craig Kramer from his position as Cleaning Person, effective April 24, 2026.*

Vote was Unanimous

- D. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve hiring Hailey Leininger as Paraprofessional I. Hailey will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the AFSCME Contract. Hailey's start date will be during the 2025/2026 school year, pending clearances. She will be a Special Education Paraprofessional.*

Vote was Unanimous

- E. *A. Daubert made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve paying the following professional staff the contractual rate to teach ESY for the Summer, 2025: Jess Enge, Julianne Vuksta, Vicki Martinez, Mary Chappell, Jenn Hall, Michelle Hinderliter.*

Vote was Unanimous

- F. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve* paying the following paraprofessionals their negotiated rate to help with the ESY Program for the Summer, 2026: Olivia Ziegler, Brenda Lengel, Paige Kalbach, Karen Quiroz, Jody Edwards, Jolana Palenik, Sarah Gibson, Alex Petro, Zach Gibson, Janine Mehta, Josh Kimber, Ryleigh Purcell, Doreen Houseknecht, Erin McCready, Victoria Petri, Tina Joseph, Shareena Grow, Hailey Leininger.

Vote was Unanimous

- G. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve* hiring Jennifer Koch as a teacher for the ESY Program for the summer of 2026. Jennifer will be paid at the contractual rate for professional staff.

Vote was Unanimous

- H. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve* hiring Emily Kimber as a paraprofessional for the ESY Program for the summer of 2026. Emily will be paid \$12.35 per hour.

Vote was Unanimous

- I. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve* hiring Luke McMurtrie as High School Principal. Luke will be paid a salary of \$105,000 and receive all benefits in accordance to the Act 93 agreement. He will be a Tier 1 employee under the Act 93 agreement. His start date will be July 1, 2026.

Roll Call Vote: 9 yes, 0 no

Motion Passes

- J. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve* hiring Kennedy Cannon as a Temporary Professional starting with the 2026/2027 school year. Kennedy 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 be assigned to the Elementary School.

Vote was Unanimous

- K. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve* hiring Amber Moyer as a Temporary Professional starting with the 2026/2027 school year. Amber 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 be assigned to the Elementary School.

Vote was Unanimous

- L. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve* hiring Abigail Daukaus as a Temporary Professional starting with the 2026/2027 school year. Abigail 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 be assigned to the Elementary School.

Vote was Unanimous

- M. *A. Daubert made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve* hiring Jennifer Walker as Paraprofessional II. Jennifer will be paid \$14.80 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. Jennifer will be a General Education Paraprofessional. She will start at the beginning of the 2026/2027 school year.

Vote was Unanimous

- N. *D. Brown made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve Shandra Allar as the Structured Literacy Lead Educator for the 2026/2027 school year. Shandra will be paid a stipend of \$1,000 from the Ready to Learn Grant.*

Vote was Unanimous

- O. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve Dawn Reiter as the UFLI Coach for the 2026/2027 school year. Dawn will be paid a stipend of \$1,000 from the Ready to Learn Grant.*

Vote was Unanimous

- P. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the following people as mentors for new employees for the 2026/2027 school year. Each mentor will receive a stipend of \$400:*

Selina Daubert for Abigail Daukaus
Tiffany Renninger for Kennedy Cannon
Donna Medeiros for Amber Moyer

Vote was Unanimous

- Q. *G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the following volunteers: Madeline Brommer, Gregory Gross, Matthew Geist, Erin Schwalm.*

Vote was Unanimous

13. POLICY – J.T. Herber, Chairperson

- A. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 1st reading of Policy #102 “Academic Standards.”*

Vote was Unanimous

- B. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 1st reading of Policy #103 “Discrimination/ Harassment Affecting Students.”*

Vote was Unanimous

- C. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 1st reading of Policy #104 “Discrimination/ Harassment Affecting Staff.”*

Vote was Unanimous

- D. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by L. Potter to approve the 1st reading of Policy #105 “Curriculum.”*

Vote was Unanimous

- E. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the 1st reading of Policy #105.2 “Exemption from Instruction.”*

Vote was Unanimous

- F. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 1st reading of Policy #200 “Enrollment in District.”*

Vote was Unanimous

- G. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 1st reading of Policy #204 “Attendance.”*

Vote was Unanimous

- H. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 1st reading of Policy #209.2 "Diabetes Management."*
Vote was Unanimous
- I. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the 1st reading of Policy #216 "Student Records."*
Vote was Unanimous
- J. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the 1st reading of Policy #218.1 "Weapons."*
Vote was Unanimous
- K. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the 1st reading of Policy #225 "Students and Law Enforcement."*
Vote was Unanimous
- L. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by K. Pribilla to approve the 1st reading of Policy #317 "Conduct/ Disciplinary Procedures."*
Vote was Unanimous
- M. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by L. Potter to approve the 1st reading of Policy #320 "Freedom of Speech by Employees."*
Vote was Unanimous
- N. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the 1st reading of Policy #718 "Service Animals in Schools."*
Vote was Unanimous
- O. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the 1st reading of Policy #805.1 "Relations with Law Enforcement."*
Vote was Unanimous
- P. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the 1st reading of Policy #805.2 "School Security Personnel."*
Vote was Unanimous
- Q. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the 1st reading of Policy #816 "District Social Media."*
Vote was Unanimous
- R. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the 1st reading of Policy #827 "Conflict of Interest."*
Vote was Unanimous
- S. *J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the 1st reading of Policy #006 "Meetings."*
Vote was Unanimous

14. TRANSPORTATION – Lauren Potter, Chairperson

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

16. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE – Zofia Fegley

Zofia gave her final presentation of the 2025/2026 school year. She talked about what was going on within the Elementary School, Middle School and High school, and how everyone was preparing for the end of the 2025/2026 school year.

17. SCHUYLKILL INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT – Dave Lukasewicz (IU) and Kim Pribilla (STC), Representatives

18. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jared McCabe of Mount Joy shared his thoughts regarding the 2025/2026 baseball season.

Meeting Notice: The Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2026 has been rescheduled for Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at 6pm in the Middle School Library.

19. ADJOURNMENT – G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to adjourn at 7:21pm.

Brittney Harner

Brittney Harner, Board Secretary