AMBRIDGE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
AGENDA
August 19, 2026

7:00 p.m. **High School Auditorium**

I. Call to Order
The regular monthly Board Meeting of the Ambridge Area School District Board of Directors is called to order on Wednesday, August 19, 2026.

II. Flag salute-please rise

III. Notice: This meeting is being recorded for District purposes. It is or may be published in part or in its entirety on the District's website without the express permission of meeting participants.

IV. Roll Call

V. Sunshine Law

The Board of School Directors held an Executive Session(s) on Wednesday, August 19th to discuss:

- Personnel matter(s)
- Matters subject to attorney-client privilege and other confidentiality laws
- Litigation or threatened litigation matters
- Sensitive public safety issues

VI. Correspondence

VII. Motion to accept or correct the Minutes of Wednesday, June 10th Meet and Discuss Voting and Non-Voting Meeting and Wednesday, June 17th Board Meeting

VIII. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report dated: June/July 2026

IX. Amendment/Addendum to Agenda/Approval of Agenda

Amended Item 1 under Personnel
Amended Item 7 under Finance and Budget
Added Item 9 under Personnel

X. Recognition/Presentation

Meet the Head Coaches

Boys' Head Basketball Coach – Alonzo Labrie

Wrestling Head Coach – Damon Sims

Girls' Flag Football Head Coach – Marlon Kittrell

Ambridge Youth Baseball 7U, 8U, and 9U Program

Tonight, we are proud to recognize and celebrate the dedication, growth, teamwork, and accomplishments of our young athletes throughout the 2026 baseball season. From the regular spring season to the Beaver County Baseball Association playoffs and the AYB All-Star season, these players demonstrated tremendous commitment both on and off the field. Across our 7U, 8U, and 9U programs, our teams experienced championship victories, runner-up finishes, semifinal appearances, and valuable tournament experiences. More importantly, we witnessed our players grow in confidence, develop their skills, overcome adversity, support their teammates, and continue to learn and love the game of baseball. Each player contributed in his own unique way, whether through outstanding offensive and defensive performances, leadership, determination, improvement, or simply being there when his team needed him. We are incredibly proud of everything these young athletes accomplished during the 2026 season and are honored to recognize their hard work and dedication tonight.

8U Vanyo Spring Beaver County Baseball Association Semi-Finalist

Devon Smith	Jace Heinz
Bentley Hampe	Parker Lively
Eli Stauffer	Jesse Ward
Levi Vanyo	Karson Gulish
Easton Harris	Hayes Chevalier
Liam Barraclough	William Boyle

Honorary Mention: Kolton Gulish

8U Gill Spring Beaver County Baseball Association Semi-Finalist

Noah Jones	Javon Jones
Tucker Mazzanti	Landon Tierney
Finn Welling	Micheal Keegan
Lane Carter	Joel Chandler
Grady Gill	Omari Gill

Honorary Mention: Tyson Gill

8U Rosenstern Spring Beaver County Baseball Association 2nd Place Runner-Up

Garrison Rosenstern	Evan Crow
Owen Vatovec	Reed Selby
Patrick Morgan	Jameson Follmar
Jake Harrison	Gianrocco Sonsini
Luke Shuey	Garrett Tabor
Austin Burr	

8U Cornman – Spring – Beaver County Baseball Association Champions

Brant Cornman	Richie Kostyzak
Max Drabik	Avery Mazur
Ari DeFrancesco	Kingston Mott
Joseph Harper	Nolan McLaughlin
Jace Moore	Amari Law
Mase Shepherd	Gio Paganie

9U AllStars

Rowen Brosky	Tristan Byrne
Maddox Charlton	Cole Christner
Max Fabanich	Robby Frederick
Jack Hostetter	Jack Kratochvil
Keegan Kokoski	Theodore Parish
Frank Savage	Emmett Scanlon

8U AllStars

Parker Lively	Avery Mazur
Eli Stauffer	Max Drabik
Jesse Ward	Jace Heinz
Owen Vatovec	Reed Selby
Devon Smith	Finn Welling
Evan Crow	Bentley Hampe
Brant Cornman	Richie Kostyzak
Omari Gill	

7U AllStars

Jameson Follmar	Tucker Mazzanti
Joel Chandler	Levi Vanyo
Easton Harris	Lane Carter
Luke Frederick	Garrison Rosenstern
Tyson Gill	Jace Moore
Nolan McLaughlin	

Congratulations!!

XI. Public Comment (Regarding Agenda Items Only)

At this time, DISTRICT RESIDENTS may come forward to comment on agenda items only. Each person must state their Second and last name and address prior to speaking**.** Each resident will be allowed three minutes and can speak only once. This period for public comment prior to the standing committee reports will be limited to one-half hour. Although not required, board members desiring to address questions or concerns may do so after the residents' comments/questions or at the conclusion of the committee reports. There will still be an opportunity for residents to comment on any business relevant to the Ambridge Area School District under Old and New Business at the end of the meeting.

XII. Committee Reports

Education and Technology **Mrs. Romasco**

1. Dual Enrollment/High School Academic Agreement

   It is recommended to renew Dual Enrollment/High School Academic Agreements between the Ambridge Area School District and the following Colleges and Universities. This program will allow students to concurrently enroll in an associate degree, certificate or diploma program while completing their high school requirements.

   a) Carlow College
   b) CCBC
   c) University of Pittsburgh
   d) Seton Hill University
   e) Robert Morris University

2. Tax Exoneration

   It is recommended to approve tax exoneration regarding the collection of real estate taxes, conditioned upon mutual municipal and county reciprocal exonerations for the tax year 2024, relevant to the following property, which is a Baden Borough-owned property.

   a) Tax Parcel 13-003-0700.000, located at 0 Pinney Street, Lot, Baden, PA

Finance and Budget **Mr. Kovacevic**

1. School District Monthly Bills and Salaries (June – July)

   It is recommended that the monthly school district bills in the amount of $3,794,230.99 and the monthly school district personnel salaries in the amount of $2,737,410.99 be paid.

2. Cafeteria Monthly Bills and Salaries (June – July)

   It is recommended that the monthly cafeteria bills in the amount of $11,869.87 and the monthly cafeteria personnel salaries in the amount of $ 69,097.45 be paid.

3. Penn Power Maintenance Agreement

   It is recommended to renew a one (1) year Maintenance Agreement with Penn Power Systems at an annual amount of $4,055.10 to perform regularly scheduled maintenance and inspections of the emergency power generator systems effective September 1, 2026 to August 31, 2027. The services will occur at all district buildings.

4. Resolution 2026-2027-4 PennEnergy Oil and Gas Lease

   It is recommended to approve Resolution 2026-2027-4 authorizing the Lease of District Subsurface Mineral Rights, **pending solicitor review.**

5. Disposal of Textbooks

   It is recommended that unusable textbooks at the high school be disposed of in accordance with *Board Policy 706-1 – Disposal of Surplus Property and Obsolete Equipment*. (Appendix A)

6. District Phone/Fax Provider

   It is recommended to approve a proposal from Communications Consulting, Inc. for a three (3) year contract for phone and fax services at a total cost of $919.52 per month, plus a one-time implementation cost of $3,302.00. This will be an estimated annual savings of $13,883.76 compared to the current provider.

7. Economy Elementary Before and After School Care

   It is recommended that the Economy Elementary Before and After School Care increase the family rate by $20.00 per month. It is further recommended that the wage for caregivers be approved at $18.00 per hour.

Building and Grounds **Dr. Constantine**

1. High School Hot Water Pump

   It is recommended to approve a quote from Huckestein Mechanical for the replacement of the high school Hot Water Pump #2 VFD Drive at a total cost of $9,259.81. This is through state contracting pricing (Co-Stars).

2. Highland Elementary Chiller Repair

It is recommended to approve a quote from Huckestein Mechanical for the repair of the Highland Elementary Chiller leak, Circuit #1, at a total cost of $7,268.47. This is through state contracting pricing (Co-Stars).

3. Highland Elementary Chiller Refrigerant

It is recommended to approve a quote from United Refrigeration for the Highland Elementary chiller at a total cost of $5,306.25. The total includes a $1,000.00 refundable deposit.

4. Economy Elementary Boiler

It is recommended to retroactively accept a proposal from Currant Taylor to repair the boiler in the Economy Elementary cafeteria. This is at a total cost of $14,046.00. This is through the state bidding process.

5. Crossing Guards

It is recommended that crossing guards be placed at locations throughout the Ambridge Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year, as listed below:

10th Street and Duss Avenue
5th Street and Duss Avenue
8th Street and Duss Avenue
15th Street and Church Street
State Street and Harmony Road

Athletics **Mrs. Fischer**

1. Athletic Handbook

It is recommended that the revised High School Athletic Handbook be adopted for the 2026-2027 school year.

Public Relations **Miss Fitsko**

Steering and Rules **Mrs. Kehoe**

1. Policy 622 - *GASB Statement 34* – Third and Final Reading

It is recommended, as a third and final reading, to revise Policy 622 – *GASB Statement 34* to update the required accounting and financial reporting standards stipulated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Legislative **Miss Fitsko**

Salary Schedule and Labor Relations **Mrs. Curtis**

Personnel **Mr. Gill**

***ALL NEW HIRES, PENDING RECEIPT OF SATISFACTORY AND CURRENT CLEARANCES, SATISFACTORY DRUG SCREENING, TB TESTING, RESPONSES BY CURRENT/FORMER EMPLOYERS TO ACT 168 SCREENING, AND PDE CERTIFICATIONS, IF APPLICABLE.**

1. Professional Employee

   It is recommended to hire Savannah Fischer as an Economy Elementary Emotional Life Skills Teacher All Grade Levels at a salary of $53,310.00 (Step 1, Bachelor), effective with the first day of new teacher induction, as per the terms of the Ambridge Area Education Association AAEA/PSEA Agreement, pending receipt of satisfactory and current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing, responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening, and receipt of current PDE certification.

2. Paraprofessionals

   It is recommended to hire the following individuals as Paraprofessionals within the district, effective August 20, 2026, as per the terms of the Ambridge Area Education Support Professional Association (ESPA/PSEA/NEA), pending receipt of current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing, and responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening.

   Heather Eaton, Highland Elementary School
   Breanna Guernsey, Highland Elementary School
   Kaitlyn Lore, Middle School
   Abigail Polachek, Middle School
   Courtney Friehs, High School

3. Mentor Teachers

   It is recommended that the following individuals be approved as mentor teachers for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years at the rate of pay as per the collective bargaining agreement:

Teacher	New Teacher	Stipend
Jamie Scafuri	Michelle King	$350.00
Hannah Jozwiak	Tim Palisin	$350.00

4. 2026-2027 Coaches

   It is recommended that the following individuals be approved to fill the designated coaching positions for the 2026-2027 school year at a salary as per the terms of the collective bargaining agreement, pending receipt of current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing, and responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening, provided the school year allows coaches to hold sports as normal.

   1) Boys' Soccer — Stipend
      a) Mason Kovach, Assistant Coach — $2,700.00

   2) Cheer — Stipend
      a) Alexandra Siebert, Volunteer Coach — No Remuneration

5. Posted Positions: Clubs / Activities

It is recommended that the following individuals who have applied for the specified posted positions for the 2026-2027 school year be approved at the rate of pay as per the collective bargaining agreement, provided the school year allows and sponsors are able to hold activities as normal.

ACTIVITY/CLUB (Middle School)		**SALARY**
Interact Club	Cori Cooper	$770.00
Yearbook	Jordan Simpson	$770.00

6. Non-Union Cafeteria Worker

It is recommended to hire Patricia Shillingburg as a Cashier/Monitor at the high schools, pending receipt of current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing, and responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening, provided the school year allows coaches to hold sports as normal.

7. Disciplinary Jones Resolution 2026-2027-5

It is recommended that Disciplinary Jones Resolution 2026-2027-5 be approved regarding employee #3260.

8. ABC Transit Bus Driver/Aide

It is recommended to approve the individual listed as an operator, attendant, and maintenance for ABC Transit, Inc. for the 2026-2027 school year, pending receipt of current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing, and responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening. (Appendix B)

9. Resignation

It is recommended to approve the resignation of Scott Lane from his position as an Ambridge Area Middle School Social Studies Teacher, effective August 19, 2026, with regret.

XIII. President's Address

XIV. Superintendent's Report

XV. Solicitor's Report

XVI. Old and New Business

It is now time for old and new business. Any DISTRICT RESIDENT who desires to comment on any business relevant to the Ambridge Area School District should now come forward. Each person must state their Second and last name and address prior to speaking**.** Each person will be allowed three minutes and can speak only once. This period for public comment prior to the standing committee reports will be limited to one-half hour.

XVII. Motion to Adjourn

APPENDIX A

Description of Book (i.e. math text, fiction, nonfiction, etc.) or Title of Textbook	Year	Qty
Music Connection 1st	2000	26
Music Connection 2nd	2000	26
Music Connection 3rd	2000	26
Music Connection 4th	2000	26
Music Connection 5th	2000	32
Music Connection 6th	2000	32
World of Music Purple	1988	27
World of Music Green	1988	31
World of Music Red	1988	28
World of Music Yellow	1988	25
World of Music Blue	1988	22
World of Music Orange	1988	30
Silver Burdett Music Centennial Edition Orange	1985	23
Silver Burdett Music Centennial Edition Purple	1985	28
Silver Burdett Music Centennial Edition Pink	1985	29
Silver Burdett Music Centennial Edition Blue	1985	29
Silver Burdett Music Centennial Edition Green	1985	26
Silver Burdett Music Centennial Edition Light Blue	1985	29
Silver Burdett Music	1981	2
Making Music Your Own	1971	13

APPENDIX B

DRIVERS

George Fleming
Donald Frynkewicz
Leo Glaab
John Graham
Justin Hockenberry
Michael Hope
Calvin Jones
Robin Jones
Brandon Kail
Michael Koncewicz
Mellainie Lipscomb
James Luff
Dominic Marchionda
AnnaMarie McDowell
James Migliore Jr
William Noakes
Philip Paulowich
Stacy Phillips
Douglas Raegler
Patricia Roberts
Julia Ruckert
John Saint
Susan Shaw
Lisa Sittig
Lynda Smith
Jennifer Spratley
Joseph Sweesy
Michael Truskowski
Dorine Williams
Judith Woodring
Timothy Armstead
Varden Armstrong
Peggy Bieber
Jane Casey
Charles Kniess
Brenda Gunther
Christine Fletcher
James Gardner
Joseph Goldsborough
Kim Hanshaw
Donald Holt
Thomas Hunt
Glenn Jones
David Jordan
Mike Kashiwsky
Vanners Lazo Aguilar
Barbara Luff
Thomas Lunde
Raymond Mattern
Heather Meyerson
Theodore Mohrbacher
John Olexa
Lucinda Payne
Karen Prest
Joyce Rexroad
Kevin Roland
Iliana Saenz
Denise Shanner
Kenneth Shrum
Javion Smith
Chinua Solomon
Denise Stasiowski
Toni Swiderski
Tempest Velez
Charles Weaver
Sharon Woodman
Tammy Yeager
Larry Knopsnyder
Kristofer Balognae
Diane Bullock
Joanne Goblick
Leslie Lill
William Stevenson

APPROVED SUB DRIVERS

Peggy Bieber
Jane Casey
Joanne Goblick
Charles Kniess
Brenda Leslie
Gunther Lill
William Stevenson

ON LEAVE

Timothy Armstead
Larry Knopsnyder