



Hampton Township School Board Meetings

MONTHLY SUMMARY AUGUST 2026

BOARD MEMBERS

Jill Hamlin
Matt Jarrell
Denise Balason
Jenny Kennedy
Joy Midgley
Maureen Perkins
Robert Shages
Jason Hobbes
Larry Vasko
Dr. Jeff Hadley
Dr. Rebecca Cunningham
Dr. Jacquelyn Removcik

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Transportation
Facilities
Educational Programs
Policy and Legislative Affairs/Treasurer
Technology
Finance
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Assistant Superintendent
Assistant Superintendent

OVERVIEW

The Board met on August 3 for a Work Session Meeting and on August 10 for a Voting Meeting. The Board approved personnel hiring, resignations, and status changes, as well as the 2026-2027 Operational Plan and the 2026-2027 Transportation Routes for students.

Meeting Links:

[August 3](#)

[August 10](#)

PRESENTATIONS

Hampton Online Academy (HOA) Handbook

Dr. Cable presented the Hampton Online Academy (HOA) Handbook for the 2026-2027 school year, including this year's updates and edits. Key updates included an updated graduation requirement chart to mirror the HHS Program of Studies, removal of language referring to Personal Finance for the class of 2026, and additional specific online courses that are required to meet the Academic Seminar graduation requirement. The Handbook also has reformatted and updated community service and job shadowing information to align with the current High School Program of Studies.

Public Comment

An HTSD parent and community member expressed their thoughts on current landscape conditions at the district and their desire for improvements.

REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

President's Report

Jill Hamlin reported that the Board has held one executive session to discuss legal, safety, and personnel matters.

Solicitor's Report

Jessica Crown reported that she provided a memo and list of recommended appeals which Mr. Vasko will present during his current motion for tax assessment appeals. She added that the appeals need to be filed by August 31st for 2027.

Treasurer's Report

Robert Shages presented the following items, all of which were unanimously approved by the Board:

- June & July 2026 General Fund 10 Disbursements totaling \$12,515,145.91
- June & July 2026 Capital Fund 39 Disbursements totaling \$118,535.43
- June & July 2026 Cafeteria Fund 50 Disbursements totaling \$286,444.72
- May and June 2026 Treasurer's Reports
- May and June 2026 Student Activity Fund Reports

Student Affairs

Matt Jarrell presented the following action items, all of which were unanimously approved by the Board:

- Title I Services Addendum between the Hampton Township School District and the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for Aquinas Academy.
- Non-Public Title I Services Agreement between the Midwestern Intermediate Unit and Hampton Township School District for Title I services to North Catholic High School.
- Handbook for Families with Elementary School Children
 - ▷ Dr. Cunningham explained that there were some directory updates and language changes, as well as the addition of MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Support).
- Hampton Football Boosters to be Recognized as a Civic and Service Association

Facilities

Joy Midgley presented the following action items, which were approved by the Board:

- Wyland Site Improvement Project - Change Order No. 1 for the labor, equipment, and materials for Myers Excavating, Inc for the additional work required for field conditions
- Fridley Field House Improvements
 - ▷ Dr. Hadley said there have been several improvements to Fridley Field House for our student athletes, including resolving plumbing issues and improving the shower temperatures and water pressure
- High School Field Grant
- Public School Facility Improvement Grant Resolution for the Wyland Elementary School HVAC Improvements

Educational Programs

Maureen Perkins presented the following action items, which were unanimously approved by the Board:

- 2026-2027 Hampton Online Academy (HOA) Handbook

REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS (CONT'D)

- 2026-2027 Assessment Calendar
 - ▷ Dr. Removcik explained that the district assesses student performance relative to grade level using several types of academic assessments that serve different purposes, including Keystones, PSSAs, STAR, and AP Exams, with Firefly added to this year's schedule.
- 2026-2027 Operational Plan
 - ▷ Dr. Hadley and Dr. Removcik presented the 2026-2027 Operational Plan. They began with the district's learner-centered vision, built around the Portrait of a Talbot framework and a focus on students having authentic learning experiences where they can develop and nurture competencies. Dr. Hadley continued by outlining the process of completing this operational plan, starting with a leadership retreat where school leaders and educators collaborated to fine-tune the details, and including a July meeting which allowed Board members to review the operational plan. He explained that the district is now in a phase focused on strengthening the Portrait of a Talbot and executing it in the classroom, with students aware of the competencies and how they relate to their learning. Goals for this year include building common experiences and developing examples of common rubrics aligned to the K-12 learning progressions so students and parents can understand their learning goals and competencies. Students will focus on collecting evidence and reflecting on and demonstrating how their experiences and learning tie back to the competencies and "I can" statements. Dr. Hadley noted that research consistently shows colleges and employers look for the qualities nurtured in the Portrait of a Talbot, and it's important for students to gain those skills for success after graduation. Dr. Removcik discussed instructional goals, including capturing competency progression through self-reflection, performance-based assessments, and putting ownership of learning on students. She added that opportunities for self-reflection will help students see their progress throughout the year and their school career. The district is focused on implementing more opportunities and flexibility with student learning, such as the high school's Lunch and Learn program, giving students more autonomy in their learning, as well as providing several different opportunities like a math lab, career speakers and experiences, as well as other types of opportunities during Lunch and Learn. Dr. Removcik shared that the district is also hoping to have a career-based design team and, from a professional development standpoint, to implement Portrait of a Talbot experiences and ensure new teachers understand the framework and how to integrate it into the classroom. She also discussed the goal to have a more holistic view of student success, beyond standardized grade assessments. Learning walks, where teachers visit each other's classrooms to see how they incorporate these competencies, have been successful and will continue to grow this year. Dr. Hadley concluded the presentation by outlining the organizational conditions needed to achieve the goals, noting that the district is committed to balancing the budget through long-term planning. He also noted that safety and security efforts in the plan include implementing the wearable badge system, integrating the Elementary Safety Coordinator, and creating safer outdoor spaces for the elementary schools. Next steps will be aligning goals among district leaders and faculty.
- Graduation Date Discussion
- Due to scheduling conflicts, the graduation date for Hampton High School's Class of 2027 will now be held on **Thursday, June 3, 2026**.

Finance

Larry Vasko provided a local tax revenue update and presented the following action items, which were unanimously approved by the Board:

- Aspire Funds as a District-approved 403(b) provider

REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS (CONT'D)

- District initiated appeals for 2027 real estate tax assessments based on property transactions from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, where the difference between the adjusted purchase price and the 2026 assessment value exceeds \$50,000
 - ▷ 2027 - 21 of 252 will meet the criteria
 - ▷ 2026 - 15 of 96 met the criteria
 - ▷ 2025 - 5 of 60 met the criteria
 - ▷ 2024 – 21 of 223 met the criteria
 - ▷ 2023 – 79 of 276 met the criteria
- 2026-2027 Final State Budget Comparison

Personnel

Denise Balason presented the following recommendations, all of which were unanimously approved by the Board:

- Resignation of Ms. Lara Sponsler, Paraeducator at Poff Elementary School
- Resignation of Ms. Angela Foote, Paraeducator at Hampton Middle School
- Resignation of Ms. Lisa Glaser, Paraprofessional at Central Elementary School
- Ms. Emma Hogan as a TPE Kindergarten Teacher at Central Elementary School
- Ms. Abigail Bowser as a TPE .60 Academic Support Math Teacher and .40 Building Substitute Teacher
- Ms. Lauren Kennelly as a TPE Grade 5 Teacher at Poff Elementary School
- Building Substitute Teachers for the 2026-2027 School Year:
 - ▷ Callen Sisson at Hampton High School
 - ▷ Cameron Walker at Hampton High School
 - ▷ Jacob Kosky at Hampton Middle School
 - ▷ Olivia Scheller at Hampton Middle School
 - ▷ Samantha Schnitgen at Central Elementary School
- Ms. Elizabeth Scholz as a Health Office Nurse at Hampton Middle School
- Ms. Meagan Bulisco as the Administrative Assistant to Assistant Superintendent Dr. Cunningham
- Change in status for Ms. Judith McDaid, moving from a Clerical Paraprofessional at Poff Elementary School to the Library Assistant at Hampton Middle School
- Ms. Melissa Deah, moving from a Paraprofessional (Class I) to a Clerical Paraprofessional (Class II) at Wyland Elementary School
- Ms. Carrie Cook, moving from a Paraeducator (Class III) to a Paraprofessional (Class II) at Poff Elementary School
- Mr. Andrew Rapp as the 10-month/40-hour per week District-wide Custodial Substitute
- District Custodial Night Lead positions for the 2026-2027 School Year
 - ▷ Patrick Myers at Hampton High School
 - ▷ Bill McChesney at Hampton Middle School
 - ▷ Judd Stauber at Central Elementary School
 - ▷ Chad Fabian at Poff Elementary School
 - ▷ Samuel Endlich at Wyland Elementary School
 - ▷ Doug Huber at Hampton High School - Third Shift

REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

- Mr. Ryan Koprivnikar as the District's DOT Medical Card holder for towing/transportation for the 2026-2027 School Year
- Compensation Agreement for HTSD Safety and Security Staff
- Compensation Agreement for HTSD Cafeteria Employees
- Conditional appointments for 2026-2027
 - ▷ Amy Rein as a Grade 2 Grade Level/Curriculum Leader
 - ▷ Shanna Struble as a K-5 Social Studies Curriculum Leader
 - ▷ Taylor Welter as HHS Volleyball Girls' Head Coach
 - ▷ Logan Gubba as HHS Volleyball Girls' Assistant Head Coach
 - ▷ Callen Sisson as HMS Soccer Boys' Head Coach
 - ▷ Cooper Sisson as HMS Soccer Boys' Assistant Coach
 - ▷ Wes Freeborough as Football Varsity Assistant B Coach
 - ▷ Kim Masarik as Cross Country Head Coach
 - ▷ Michael Costantini as MS Assistant Football Coach
- Resignation of Timothy Schogren, who is retiring after 40 years with the District
- Erin Koritsky as a Long-Term Substitute AM Kindergarten Teacher at Poff Elementary School
- Jessica Krahe as a Long-Term Substitute Grade 1 Teacher at Central Elementary School
- Brianna Towers as the Elementary Floating Building Substitute Teacher, based at Central Elementary School
- Paraeducators (Class III)
 - ▷ Ashley Hartle .50 Poff/.50 Central
 - ▷ Lauren Healy at Poff Elementary
 - ▷ Grace Johnson at Poff Elementary
 - ▷ Leslie Preston at Central Elementary
- Yadira Mogollon Nino as a Clerical Paraprofessional (Class II) at Poff Elementary School

Technology

Jason Hobbes stated there was no Technology report this month.

Policy/Legislative Affairs

Robert Shages presented the following Policy/Legislative Affairs action items that were unanimously approved by the Board:

- Second Reading and Adoption of Policy #423: Tobacco and Vaping Products
- Second Reading and Adoption of Policy #523: Tobacco and Vaping Products
- Second Reading and Adoption of Policy #716: Integrated Pest Management

Transportation

Jenny Kennedy presented the following action item, which was unanimously approved by the Board:

- 2026-2027 Transportation Routes

LIAISON REPORTS

A.W. Beattie Report

Denise Balason reported that Beattie has been busy throughout the summer updating the program of work, goals, objectives, maintenance projects, and personnel items. She added that Senator Lindsey Williams will be in attendance at their September 24th JOC meeting.

Hampton Alliance for Educational Excellence Report

Jenny Kennedy began her report by noting the date for the annual 5K Race is October 11th, and as it is quickly approaching, registration is now open, and things are starting to ramp up in preparation for the race. They are also still seeking sponsorships.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Hadley began his report by thanking all of the administrators, administrative assistants, custodians, facilities, transportation companies that work with the district, and food service members for their extensive work preparing the schools to welcome students and staff for the 2026-2027 school year. He also thanked the administrators and teachers in design teams for developing

the 2026-2027 Operational Plan. Dr. Hadley added that he was able to meet with district leaders altogether before the school year begins, thanking them for the successful day. Dr. Hadley concluded his report by expressing that the district is looking forward to getting the school year started.



NEXT BOARD MEETING:

The next Board meeting will be on Monday, September 8, at 7:00 pm in the Hampton Middle School Library.

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