

Minutes – July 8, 2026
South Buffalo Charter School
Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

Members Present:

In Person: Chris Schafer, Kathy Linhardt, Carine Merritt, Anne Marie Tryjankowski
Virtual: None.

Members Absent: Jen Mack, Matt Szalkowski

Public Comment: None.

Presentation: None.

Board Reports:

- Executive Committee – No meeting.
- Academic Committee – No meeting.
- Facility Committee – No meeting. Waiting for last quote on Smart Board.
- Finance Committee – Met. All financials are in order.
- Human Resources/Appeals Committee – No meeting. Updated on hiring issues and end of year. Conducted an exit interview.

New Business:

- Motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting on June 10, 2026, was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Carine Merritt. Vote: All in favor.
- Enrollment Summary – See attached.
- Superintendent's Report – See attached. Dave and Gina met with Lakeshore (vendor) regarding space to use for a possible universal Pre-K.
- Motion to approve the extension of the Cafeteria Contract for 2026-27 school year, with date correction on page two (2), was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Kathy Linhardt. Vote: All in favor.
- Consensus Agenda
 - Motion to approve the SBCS Schedule of Bills for June 2026, Balance Sheet, Board Monthly Income Statement, Statement of Revenues and Expenditures, Statement of Cash Flows and Check Register for May and June 2026; and the 154 South Ogden, LLC Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenue and Expenditures/Income Statement for May and June 2026 and the 154 South Ogden, LLC Check Register for May 2026 was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Carine Merritt. Vote: All in favor.
- Motion to move into Executive Session was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Kathy Linhardt. Vote: All in favor. Executive Session began at 6:30 p.m.
- Motion to end Executive Session was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Kathy Linhardt. Vote: All in favor. Executive Session ended at 7:39 p.m. Board meeting reconvened at 7:41 p.m.
- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Carine Merritt. Vote: All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Enrollment Summary – As of 6/30/2026 (end of 25-26 school year)

GRADE	2025/2026	2024/2025	2023/2024
K	89	99	95
1	94	95	99
2	99	100	99
3	96	99	100
4	101	97	100
5	99	102	100
6	101	93	98
7	90	98	93
8	94	95	93
TOTAL	863	878	877

Accepted seats 26-27

K-103

1-14 = 103 (6)

2-12 = 106 (4)

3-8 = 107 (9)

4-7 = 103 (5)

5-7 = 108 (16)

6-9 = 108 (10)

7-5 = 106 (5)

8-11 = 101 (2)

Total: 945 students (accepted seats plus current) number in () is waitlist for that grade.

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NY140600 Buffalo City School District	708
NY141800 Lackawanna City School District	65
NY142801 West Seneca Central School District	25
NY140701 Cheektowaga Central School District	21
NY140709 Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District	19
NY140702 Maryvale Union Free School District	5
NY140703 Cleveland Hill Union Free School District	4
NY140707 Depew Union Free School District	4
NY141604 Frontier Central School District	4
NY140201 Amherst Central School District	2
NY400400 Lockport City School District	2
NY141601 Hamburg Central School District	1
NY141901 Lancaster Central School District	1
NY142301 Orchard Park	1
NY142500 Tonawanda City School District	<u>1</u>
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July Superintendent's Report

SBCS was invited to the Mercy Hospital Foundation Donors Luncheon as a result of the First Responder's Day donation. SBCS had Mr. Hahn, along with our Student Council President and Honor Society President in attendance.

Kindergarten Screening took place from June 15th to June 17th. Of the 95 students signed for for Kindergarten, 72 were able to attend the June screening. The remaining students will be screened during August. Students were screened on letters, numbers, shapes, colors, site words and name writing. While the students were being screened, parents received a tour of the building and had questions answered. Parents were provided with information on how to improve their child's skills over summer and students received a backpack with activity books.

Field Day was held on Monday, June 22nd. The rainy weather didn't dampen any spirits as Field Day was brought inside! The kids had a great time!

16 students took the Algebra exam on June 17th and 15 out 16 passed the assessment.

A lunch was donated to the staff of SBCS on June 26th by the Stillman foundation.

The Literacy Liaison team met at Buffalo State College for a full day of uninterrupted time to work on Data-based decision making in their PLCS for the first half of the day. Then after lunch teachers worked on horizontal and vertical alignment of research-based instructional practices.

The PTO sponsored the first ever Color a Thon at the school on Wednesday June 17th. It was a lot of fun for everyone in attendance and will be back bigger and better next year. See pictures on the last page of the Superintendents Report.

The band and chorus had their end of the year concerts in June with the art show coinciding with the opening at band concert and the closing at the chorus concert.

Kindergarten moving up day took place on Wednesday June 24th. Families came to celebrate their kindergarteners moving up to first grade.

8th grade graduation took place on Thursday June 25th. We had two former graduates that just graduated from Timon to speak to our 8th graders and give some life lessons going forward. Link to 8th grade slideshow <https://youtu.be/IPwImYNth-M?is=zFm4FUBRmHBPz120>

The softball team finished undefeated for the 2026 season. This was the inaugural season of the softball team and we look forward to a long standing tradition.

NYS Distraction-Free Schools Policy report is due Sept 1 or each school year. This is the policy created for personal devices (cell phones, watches, etc.). What was used and a report on how discipline was equitable and enforced.

NYS Preliminary allocations for Title II - \$42,198 and Title IV - \$29,500. The remaining allocations should be coming out soon, applications are due August 30, 2026.