

August 5, 2026

The Susquehanna Community School Board of Directors held an Executive session on August 3, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. in the Administration Office of the Elementary School personnel issues. The Information Session followed at 7:00 P.M. in the Administration Office of Elementary.

The regular meeting of the Susquehanna Community School Board of Directors was held on August 5, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. in the Administration Office of the Elementary Building with nine (9) Board Members present:

Jennifer Boerner(P)
Amanda Cook(P)
Anne Cook(P)
Evelyn Cottrell(P)

Jordon Downton(P)
Kristen Lawrence(P)
Oscar Miller(P)
Rachael Thomas(P)

Audrey Waterman(P)

Others present: Mr. Rushefski, Mr. Emmons, Mr. Supko, Tom Ballard, and other Guests. The meeting was called to order by President Amanda Cook, at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present. Roll call of Board Members was taken by Secretary Evelyn Cottrell, finding (9) nine members present.

Motion was made by Boerner, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on June 17, 2026 as presented.

Motion was made by Boerner, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to file the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion was made by Boerner, second by Water, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Food Service Report as presented.

Motion was made by Boerner, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Food Service Report as presented.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to file the Activity Fund and Athletic Fund reports as presented.

Reports were made by District Personnel.

Public Comment: Paula Stone – AI, physically have books, and giving some guidelines.

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Motion was made by Boerner, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the date change of the Regular Meeting from Wednesday, September 16, 2026 to Monday, September 21, 2026.

Motion was made by Thomas, second by Boerner, to grant permission for Superintendent, John Rushefski, to tentatively hire for any vacancies between August 6, 2026, and September 20, 2026, pending Board Approval.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Thomas, and carried by unanimous vote to grant permission to the Business Office to pay bills that may occur between August 6, 2026 and September 20, 2026.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Official Resolution, and the \$100.00 application fee, to request a Public-School Facility Improvement Grant for the approximate amount of \$500,000.00 to \$550,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for Window Replacements at both the Elementary School and Junior-Senior High School.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Upstate Photography Services for the 2026/2027 school year.

Motion was made by Boerner, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the \$162,000.00 additional cost from Starfursky Paving Company to complete the parking lot project.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Boerner, and carried unanimously to approve the SAP Agreement between the Susquehanna Community School District and TREHAB of Susquehanna County for the 2026/2027 school year.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Schoolwide Title I Plan for the 2026/2027 school year.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Elementary School Paraprofessional/PCA Handbook for the 2026/2027 school year.

Motion was made by Thomas, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Second Reading of the following Policy:

a) 249 - Bullying/Cyberbullying

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following Resignation:

a) Felicity Grunewald – Personal Care Aid.

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Motion was made by Waterman, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following hires pending all clearances/certifications on file:

- a) Taylor Soules – Instructional Aide.
- b) Paetan Swanson – Personal Care Aide.
- c) Carmen Megivern – Year1 and year 2 Mentor for Jessica Rockwell.
- d) Brad Soden – Outside Maintenance Lead.
- e) Alyis Rockwell – Maintained Custodial Per Diem.

Motion was made by Boerner, second by Miller, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following Volunteer pending all clearances on file:

- a) Ryan Armitage – Volunteer Varsity Football Coach for the 2026 season.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following Requests:

- a) Peter Supko to attend the Data Literacy Action Summit on October 6, 2026 in Harrisburg, PA. Cost to the District is travel expenses.
- b) Peter Supko to attend the Standards Aligned System (SIS) Showcase at NEIU#18 on September 30, 2026. Cost to the District is mileage reimbursement.
- c) Peter Supko to attend DQN Meetings at NEIU#19 during the 2026/27 school year.
- d) Peter Supko to attend ED Leaders Forum Meetings at NEIU#19 during the 2026/27 school year.
- e) Elizabeth Shivock to participate in the Gifted EDventure conference August 4 -6, 2026 at the Penn State Conference Center at no cost to the District.
- f) Elizabeth Shivock to participate in the monthly NEIU LEA meetings held at the NEIU#19 for the 2026/27 school year.
- g) 5th Grade Field Trip to Gettysburg on May 21, 2027.
- h) Superintendent John Rushefski to attend the 2027 Pennsylvania Association of Rural and Small Schools Conference in State College, PA from April 28-30, 2027 at a cost to the District of \$295.00 plus mileage and lodging.
- i) Superintendent John Rushefski to attend the NEIU 2027 Superintendents Conference in Pittsburgh, PA from September 15 -17, 2027. Cost to the District is mileage reimbursement.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the list of fundraisers.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve a posting for a Full-Time RN or LPN for 183 days as per the Non-Instructional Agreement.

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Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following hires pending all clearances on file:

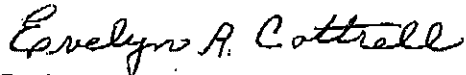
- a) Anjelica Baker – 93 Day Long Term Physical Education Substitute.
- b) Megan Truskolaski – Year 1 and Year 2 Mentor for Eric Buffington,
- c) Susan Whitney – Year 2 Mentor for Sofia Muta.
- d) Kelsey Arvonio – Year 1 and Year 2 Mentor for Delaney Heller.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Thomas, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following request:

- a) Quest: One Play to Rule Them All by Stage Partners as the Fall 2026 Drama Production.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Boerner, and carried by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



Evelyn A. Cottrell/Board Secretary