



MINUTES
Joint Operating Committee Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 4, 2026
at Steel Center – Conference Room B

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President Giglione at 7:42pm at Steel Center.

1.1. Roll Call

Baldwin-Whitehall
Brentwood
Clairton
Duquesne
Elizabeth Forward
South Allegheny
South Park
Steel Valley
West Jefferson Hills
West Mifflin Area

Mr. Pete Giglione
Mr. David Schaap
Mr. Roger Tachoir - ABSENT
Mrs. Calvina Harris
Mr. Travis Stoffer - ABSENT
Mrs. Lauren DiBeneditto - ABSENT
Mr. Wayne Perry
Mrs. Cara Karstetter
Mrs. Suzanne Downer
Mr. Mark Donahoe

The Vice President declared a quorum.

Others Present:

Dr. Randal Lutz, Superintendent of Record
Megan Turnbull, Weiss Burkardt Kramer
Scott Dadowski, Mon Valley Vice-Principal
Dr. Richard Dowell, Mon Valley Principal
David Matzie, Facilities Manager, Sp. Ed. AIU3
Matt Franz, HHSDR
Burt Comensky, Duquesne City SD
Gail Hoppe, Bethel Park resident

Steel Center Staff:

Kevin Rice, Executive Director
Chris Hamilton, Business Manager
Tom Bernick, Supervisor of Building & Grounds
Tricia Cousino, Board Secretary

2. Board Member Comments & Visitor Comments on Agenda Items

The agenda was posted on the Steel Center website by 6:00 PM on August 3, 2026. The meeting is open to the public to attend in-person.

3. President Remarks

An executive session was held prior to tonight's meeting for purposes of discussing legal matters.

4. Minutes

4.1. A motion was made by Mr. Schaap, seconded by Mr. Perry, and carried by an aye vote to approve the minutes from June 2, 2026.

5. Financial ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Mr. Schaap, seconded by Mr. Donahoe, carried by a roll call vote of 7-0 to approve Finance items 5.1 to 5.3.3 as presented.

5.1. Treasurer's Report ending May 31, 2026

5.2. Treasurer's Report ending June 30, 2026

5.3. Bills to be Approved

5.3.1 SEASS Administrative Fund Check Register – Payments June 2026

5.3.2 SEASS Administrative Fund Check Register – Payments July 2026

5.3.3 SEASS Administrative Fund Checks to Approve – Future Payments

6. Principal's Report

Mr. Dadowski provided the following updates:

- Extended School Year (ESY) is complete and had over 100 students
- August 26th will be the first day of school with 150 full-time students, not including the vocational students.

7. Facilities Update

A discussion took place regarding lead testing in the Mon Valley School and the new school code requirements as it pertains to *Lead Testing (Section 742.1)*.

8. Facilities ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Mr. Schaap, seconded by Mr. Perry, carried by a roll call vote of 7-0 to approve Facilities item 8.1 as presented.

8.1. Pneumatic Controls Service Contract

- Ratified the Pneumatic Controls Service Contract with O.Z. Enterprises, LLC, in the amount of **\$19,200** as presented.

9. Allegheny Intermediate Unit Report – NONE

10. Superintendent of Record Report – NONE

11. Solicitor's Report – NONE

12. Information Items – NONE

13. Other Business – Joint Operating Committee Business ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Mr. Schaap, seconded by Mr. Perry, carried by a roll call vote of 7-0 to approve Business item 13.1 amending the project to be named Mon Valley Renovation Project.

13.1. Architectural and Engineering Services

- Approved the proposal with **HHSDR Inc.** for professional architectural and engineering services for the Mon Valley Renovation Project as presented subject to final terms and conditions as approved by the solicitor.

14. Visitor Comments – NONE

15. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Schaap, seconded by Mrs. Karstetter, carried by an aye vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at Steel Center CTE

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia Cousino

Tricia Cousino, Board Secretary