CHARLEROI AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, September 15, 2026
7:00 PM
Charleroi Area High School Community Room

MINUTES

Prior to the regular meeting, the Board met in Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022 to discuss personnel matters. Persons present were: Mr. Caruso, Mr. Degnan, Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. Hritz, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Pellegrini, Mrs. Pepper, Mr. Wilkinson, and Mr. Yakich.

Mrs. Pepper, Board President, announced that the Board had been in executive session since 6:00 p.m. and then called the regular meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022.

Upon roll call, members present were: Mr. Caruso, Mr. Degnan, Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. Hritz, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Pellegrini, Mrs. Pepper, Mr. Wilkinson, and Mr. Yakich.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion of Mrs. Pappasergi, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson, it was resolved to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors for September 15, 2026.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Student Representatives Eva Matinko, Jayden Brazzon, Joella Pendleton, and Abby Yu spoke with the Board about events in the high school.

ROUTINE BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Mrs. Pappasergi, seconded by Mr. Yakich, with all in favor, it was resolved to approve the following routine business items for the month of September 2026:

a. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of August 18, 2026

CORRESPONDENCE

a. September Subsidies
b. Thank You Note

The following Federal and State Funds have been or will be received for the month of September 2026:

FUNDING	AMOUNT
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM	$9,165.85
S D TRANSPORTATION	$77,011.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	$195,288.07
PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PAYMENT	$561,551.00
S D SPECIAL EDUCATION ADJ	$82.92
BASIC EDUCATION FUNDING	$1,682,995.91

EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM

Upon motion of Mr. Degnan, seconded by Mr. Yakich, it was resolved to approve all EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Approval to Adopt and Purchase *Foundations of Astronomy – High School Edition* Textbooks, in the amount of $5,767.20
b. Approval of Comprehensive Planning Survey Services Agreement, Donovan Group, in the amount of $3,500.00
c. Approval of AI Professional Development Agreement, Gruvy Education, October 12, 2026, in the amount of $2,000.00
d. Approval of Pennsylvania Western University Master of Science in Athletic Training Affiliation Agreement
e. Approval of Washington County Children and Youth Services Transportation Procedures Memorandum of Understanding
f. Approval of the Watson Institute Letter of Agreement, in the amount of $67,412.00
g. Approval of Engage Kidz LLC Addendum to Agreement for School-Based Services, at a rate of $175.00 per hour
h. Approval of 2027 Musical, Alice@Wonderland
i. Approval of Sunday Facility Request - 01, for the Spring Musical on Sunday, March 7, 2027
j. Approval of Sunday Facility Request – 02, PTA Car Show, Sunday, October 11, 2026

k. Approval of Sunday Facility Request – 03, Charleroi Football Fan Association, retroactive to Sunday, September 13, 2026

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Caruso Yes, Mr. Degnan Yes, Mrs. Hopkins Yes,
Mr. Hritz Yes, Mrs. Pappasergi Yes, Mrs. Pellegrini Yes,
Mrs. Pepper Yes, Mr. Wilkinson Yes, Mr. Yakich Yes.

POLICIES

Upon motion of Mrs. Pappasergi, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini, it was resolved to approve all POLICIES/ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. First Reading of Revised Policy 102 – Academic Standards
b. First Reading of Revised Policy 105 – Curriculum
c. First Reading of Policy 204.1 – Virtual Attendance and Wellness Checks
d. First Reading of Revised Policy 209 - Health Examinations/Screenings
e. First Reading of Revised Policy 246 – School Wellness
f. First Reading of Revised Policy 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying
g. First Reading of Revised Policy 704 – Maintenance
h. First Reading of Revised Policy 803 – School Calendar
i. First Reading of Revised Policy 805.2 – School Security Personnel
j. First Reading of Revised Policy 822 – Automated External Defibrillators (AED)/Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
k. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 209-AR-0 – Mandated Health Services
l. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 246-AR-2 – Physical Education
m. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 246-AR-7 – Health School Environment
n. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 704-AR-6 – Drinking Water
o. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 800-AR-1 – Records Retention Schedule
p. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 803-AR-0 – School Calendar
q. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 805.1-AR-0 – Incident Report
r. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation 805.1-AR-1 – Incident Report
s. Deletion of Administrative Regulation 249-AR-0 – Bullying/Cyberbullying

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Degnan Yes, Mrs. Hopkins Yes, Mr. Hritz Yes,
Mrs. Pappasergi Yes, Mrs. Pellegrini Yes, Mrs. Pepper Yes,
Mr. Wilkinson Yes, Mr. Yakich Yes, Mr. Caruso Yes.

PERSONNEL

Upon motion of Mr. Yakich, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson, it was resolved to approve all PERSONNEL resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Accept Resignation of Paraprofessional Job Coach, Karen Wagner, retroactive to August 28, 2026
b. Accept Resignation of Elementary Center Yearbook Sponsor, Madison Vieck, effective immediately
c. Name 2026-2027 Winter Coaches
   Varsity Boys Basketball: Assistant Coach - Tony Bristol, Volunteer Coach - Joe Dunn, Volunteer Coach – Sue Dunn
   Varsity Girls Basketball: Assistant Coach – Danielle Spano
   Middle School Volleyball: Head Coach – Tom Kurtz, Assistant Coach – Sydney Skibo
d. Name Paraprofessional High School Job Coach, Kelly Fields, salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement
e. Approval of Mentor Teachers' Annual Stipend, Bethany Baker and Mia Woytovich, in the amount of $1,500.00
f. Name Musical Technical Director, Madison Piecknick, with an annual stipend of $1,900.00
g. Name Extra Duty Personnel, Middle School Breakfast Duty, Brandi Christie and Beth Noble, at an annual stipend of $900.00
h. Name Substitute Teachers: Kirby Thorpe (Nurse), Ruth Ann Free (Emergency Permit), Elizabeth Campbell (Emergency Permit), John Clacko (Emergency Permit), and Jamie Coll (Emergency Permit), salary per CAEA Bargaining Agreement
i. Name Substitute Personnel: Melissa Koteles (Custodial), and Erick Bess (Custodial), salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement

ROLL CALL:
Mrs. Hopkins Yes, Mr. Hritz Yes, Mrs. Pappasergi Yes,
Mrs. Pellegrini Yes, Mrs. Pepper Yes, Mr. Wilkinson Yes,
Mr. Yakich Yes, Mr. Caruso Yes, Mr. Degnan Yes.

FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREAS

Upon motion of Mr. Hritz, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini, it was resolved to approve all FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREA RESOLUTIONS as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Approval of the Monthly Secretary Treasurer Reports for the Month of August 2026 as Follows: General Fund, Restrictive Savings, Digital Revenue, Payroll, Food Service Fund, and Capital Projects Fund
b. Approval of the General Fund Bill List for the Month of August 2026
c. Approval of the Interim Bill List for August 2026/September 2026
d. Approval of the High School, Middle School, Elementary Center, and Athletic Activity Account Reports for August 2026
e. Approval of Tax Collection Report for the Month of August 2026
f. Approval of the Monthly Revenues and Expenditures Report for August 2026
g. Approval of the Extra Duty Time Reports for August 2026
h. Approval of Disabled Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption, for parcel number 320-013-00-00-0012-01
i. Approval of Disposal of Capital Assets – 01, Big Ideas Math – A Common Core Curriculum Textbooks
j. Approval of Disposal of Capital Assets – 02, Study Sync Core ELA Grades 6-7-8 Textbooks
k. Approval of Disposal of Capital Assets – 03, Cheer Uniforms
l. Approval of Donation to the Charleroi Regional Police Department, in the amount of $5,000.00
m. Approval of Purchase of Student Transportation Van from C. Harper, in the amount of $45,639.00 through COStars

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Hritz Yes, Mrs. Pappasergi Yes, Mrs. Pellegrini Yes,
Mrs. Pepper Yes, Mr. Wilkinson Yes, Mr. Yakich Yes,
Mr. Caruso Yes, Mr. Degnan Yes, Mrs. Hopkins Yes.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that the District will host a Farmer's Market that is sponsored by Highmark. This event will take place on September 22, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Dee's Event Center and is open to all Charleroi District families.

Upon motion of Mr. Caruso, seconded by Mr. Yakich, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.