Agenda of Committee of the Whole

The Board of Trustees
Pottsville Area School District

A Committee of the Whole of the Board of Trustees of Pottsville Area School District will be held Wednesday, November 11, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM Howard S. Fernsler Academic Center, 1501 West Laurel Boulevard, Pottsville, PA 17901.

1. **MEETING OPENING**
Speaker(s): Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Description:

A reminder to the public that the public comment period is not a question and answer period, but rather the opportunity for the public to submit comments to the Board. Public comments will follow our public comment procedures which require members of the public to identify themselves by indicating name and address. If members of the public wish to make public comments, then they must do so in person.
Are there any public comments at this time?

2. **ROLL CALL**
Speaker(s): Mrs. Mindy Zimerofsky
Description:
Mr. Ansbach
Mrs. Buchanan
Mr. Ciavarella
Mr. Crouse
Dr. DeWitt
Mrs. Hobbs
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Shields
Mr. Thomas

3. **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**
Speaker(s): Dr. Guy Lowery

4. **ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**
Speaker(s): Mr. Craig Shields

5. **FACILITIES AND GROUNDS**
Speaker(s): Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Description:
1. Approve the Agreement and quote with Pro Max Fence Systems, LLC for the installation of baseball and softball field backstops, netting system, and related fence repairs at a total cost of $66,412.44, pending solicitor review and approval.

2. Approve the decommission of various antiquated items at the DHH Lengel Middle School as listed on the attachment.

Discussion:
McClure Facilities Discussion

6. **FINANCE**
Speaker(s): Mr. Harry Ciavarella
Description:
1. Treasurer's Report (All Funds)
- General Fund Balance as of October 31, 2026: $14,034,781.77
- Cafeteria Fund Balance as of October 31, 2026: $739,916.51

2. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Revenue Report

3. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Expenditure Report

4. Cafeteria Condensed Board Summary Report

5. Payment Summary

6. Budget Transfers

7. Approve the 2027 Act 80 Comparison Service Transfer with Berkheimer Companies - $995.00.

8. Approve and ratify the New Story Schools Educational Services Agreement (August 1, 2026 - July 31, 2027), pending solicitor review and approval.

9. Approve the Addendum with ESS Northeast, LLC for Payroll Specialist services, pending solicitor review and approval.

10. Approve and ratify the one-year Agreement for a Crimson Level Electronic Advertising Athletic Sponsorship between the Pottsville Area School District and Providence Place of Pottsville, effective September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027.

11. Approve a 17-month agreement with Interstate Gas Supply, LLC as the District's electricity supplier at an estimated fixed rate of $0.10053 per kWh, inclusive of Gross Receipts Tax, pending solicitor review and approval. The final rate shall be determined upon execution of the agreement.

12. Approve and ratify the Vista School Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year, pending solicitor review and approval.

13. Approve and ratify the educational placement at New Story School for Student 32-0211.

7. **TECHNOLOGY**

Speaker(s): Mr. Bob Thomas

Description:

1. Approve the Institutional Customer Agreement and Product Terms with Scholastic Inc. for access to Scholastic's licensed educational products, pending solicitor review and approval.

2. Approve and ratify the (3) three-year Google Workspace License Agreement at a total of $47,763.00, effective October 29, 2026, pending solicitor review and approval.

8. **CURRICULUM**

Speaker(s): Mrs. Stephanie Buchanan

Description:

1. Approve the updated proposed field trip locations for the 2026-2027 academic year as requested from school principals.

2. Approve and ratify the Content License Agreement between Pottsville Area High School and Evans & Sutherland Computer Corporation (Cosm) for the exhibition of the planetarium program America the Beautiful from November 11, 2026 through November 25, 2026, at no cost to the District. All ticket sales from the event will benefit the Pottsville Area High School Planetarium.

9. **TRANSPORTATION**

Speaker(s): Dr. Ashley DeWitt

Description:

1. Approve a three-year lease agreement with Rohrer School & Commercial Bus Sales, effective July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2030, at an annual cost of $690,346.85, pending solicitor review and approval.

2. Approve the transportation services agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and Newhurst, LLC for transportation to the Vista School in Hershey, Pennsylvania, for the 2026-2027 school year, pending solicitor review and approval.

10. **POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

Speaker(s): Mrs. Rachael Hobbs

Description:

1. Approve the first reading of the proposed revised policy 113 - Special Education.

11. **FOOD SERVICE**

Speaker(s): Mr. Kerry Ansbach

12. **PROMOTION, PUBLIC RELATIONS, AND SOCIAL MEDIA**

Speaker(s): Mr. Kyle Crouse

13. **IU REPRESENTATIVE**
Speaker(s): Mr. Bob Thomas

14. **ADJOURNMENT**
