MIFFLINBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania 17844-0285
Regular Meeting
Board Minutes
October 13, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – President Eberhart called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

OPENING PROCEDURES – President Eberhart called for a moment of silent meditation after which he led the group in a pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL found the following in attendance:

Board Members:	Mindy Benfer	Tim Scholl
	Tom Eberhart	Tyler Snook
	Carl Emery	Brandon Straub
	Brandon Hommel arrived at 6:35 p.m.	Melissa Wagner
		Troy Zimmerman

Administration:
Kenneth Dady, Superintendent
Jeremiah Allen, High School Principal
Jason Dressler, Assistant High School Principal
Danielle Dressler, Athletic Director
Renee Jilinski-Phone

Others:
Tammy L. Boop, Board Secretary
Austin White, McCormick Law Firm
Justin Strawser, The Daily Item
Vincent DeFonzo, The Standard-Journal
Nathan Moyer-Alloy 5 – on-line
Others: 0

1. **EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

An Executive Session ws held prior to the start of the Work Session on October 6, 2026, for legal, personnel and student matters.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of September 8, 2026 are presented for approval.

Motion by Tom Eberhart and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the minutes of September 8, 2026 as presented. Motion #1 carried.

3. **ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA**

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS

5. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Dady**

6. **POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT — Troy Zimmerman**

6.A. Policies — First Read - Attachment

The administration recommends approving the first reading of the following policies:

119-Current Events
121-Field Trips

Motion by Troy Zimmerman and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the first reading of the recommended policies. Motion #2 carried.

6.B. Retire Policy

The administration recommends retiring Policy 120-Human Development Program.

Motion by Troy Zimmerman and seconded by Mindy Benfer to retire Policy 120. Motion #3 carried.

6.C. Policies-Final Read - Attachment

The administration recommends approving the final reading of the following policies:

116-Tutorial Instruction
117—Homebound Instruction
118-Independent Study

Motion by Troy Zimmerman and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the final reading of the recommended policies. Motion #4 carried.

6.D. Policy 213 – Final Reading – Attachment

The administration recommends approving the final reading of Policy 213-Grading of Student Progress as attached and suspending the requirement to move back to a first reading.

Motion by Troy Zimmerman and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the final reading of Policy 213 as presented. Motion #5 carried.

7. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT-Tyler Snook**

8. **PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT-Brandon Straub**

8.A. Change Orders #6 & #7

The administration recommends approving Change Orders #6 & #7 for the stadium project as presented.

Motion by Brandon Straub and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the recommended change orders as presented. Vote by roll call was: Yes – Benfer, Eberhart, Emery, Hommel, Scholl, Snook, Straub, Wagner, Zimmerman. Results: Unanimous. Motion #6 carried.

8.B. Stadium Entrance Bids – Attachment

The Board recommends accepting Option #3 in the amount of $2,543,000 for the stadium entrance for the stadium project.

Motion by Brandon Straub and seconded by Mindy Benfer to accept Option #3 for the stadium entrance project as presented. Vote by roll call was: Yes – Emery, Hommel, Scholl, Straub, Wagner, Zimmerman, Benfer. No – Eberhart, Snook. Results: 7 yes, 2 no. Motion #7 carried.

9. **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT-Mindy Benfer**

9.A. Financial Reports/Ratification of Expenditures – Attachment

The administration recommends approving all financial reports as presented, subject to audit, and ratification of the expenses for the month of September 2026.

Motion by Mindy Benfer and seconded by Melissa Wagner to approve the financial reports for the month of September 2026 as presented. Vote by roll call was: Yes – Emery, Hommel, Scholl, Snook, Straub, Wagner, Zimmerman, Benfer, Eberhart. Results: Unanimous. Motion #8 carried.

9.B. Agreements — Attachment

The administration recommends approving the following agreements:

2026-2029 Foster Grandparent Program
ConradSeigel - 2026 ACA Reporting
Developers Agreement with Mifflinburg Borough for the ag project
Next Century Agreement for custodial services
Stormwater Management Agreement with Mifflinburg Borough for the ag project

Motion by Mindy Benfer and seconded by Melissa Wagner to approve the recommended agreements as presented. Vote by roll call was: Yes – Hommel, Scholl, Snook, Straub, Wagner, Zimmerman, Benfer, Eberhart, Emery. Results: Unanimous. Motion #9 carried.

9.C. Monetary Donation

The administration recommends accepting a monetary donation in the amount of $1960 from the Girls Basketball Boosters for the purchase of additional uniforms.

Motion by Mindy Benfer and seconded by Tim Scholl to accept the recommended monetary donation as presented. Vote by roll call was: Yes – Scholl, Snook, Straub, Wagner, Zimmerman, Benfer, Eberhart, Emery, Hommel. Results: Unanimous. Motion #10 carried.

10. **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT—Tim Scholl**

10.A. Remainder of Superintendent's Current Contract

The Board recommends terminating the remainder of Dr. Dady's current contract on the condition that Agenda Item #10.B is approved.

Motion by Tim Scholl and seconded by Mindy Benfer to terminate the remainder of Dr. Dady’s current contract as presented. Motion #11 carried.

10.B. Superintendent's Contract

The Board recommends approving a 5-year contract with Dr. Dady retroactive to July 1, 2026. His salary for the 2026-2027 school year will be set at $149,175. This amount represents a 3% increase.

Motion by Tim Scholl and seconded by Melissa Wagner to approve a 5-year contract with Dr. Dady retroactive to July 1, 2026 as presented. Vote by roll call was: Yes – Snook, Straub, Wagner, Zimmerman, Benfer, Eberhart, Emery, Hommel, Scholl. Results: Unanimous. Motion #12 carried.

10.C. Resignations

The administration recommends accepting the following resignations:

Aric Gramly, boys assistant varsity wrestling coach, effective immediately
Christopher Kahley, day shift custodian at the high school, effective October 16, 2026

Motion by Tim Scholl and seconded by Mindy Benfer to accept the recommended resignations. Motion #13 carried.

10.D. FMLA

The administration recommends approving the following FMLA leaves:

Employee #240809 beginning November 13, 2026
Employee #90615 beginning December 14, 2026

Motion by Tim Scholl and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the recommended FMLA leaves as presented. Motion #14 carried.

10.E. 2030 Class Advisors

The administration recommends approving Jeff Kiss and Jonathan Fetterolf as the 2030 Class Advisors.

Motion by Tim Scholl and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve Jeff Kiss and Jonathan Fetterolf as the 2030 Class Advisors. Motion #15 carried.

10.F. 2026-2027 SAP Team Members

The administration recommends approving the following staff as SAP Team Members for the 2026-2027 school year:

<u>HIGH SCHOOL</u>
Joshua Hetrick
Kathleen Pennington

MIDDLE SCHOOL
Talia Zangari
Brian Fee

Motion by Tim Scholl and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the recommended SAP Team Members as presented. Motion #16 carried.

10.G. To Be Hired - Attachment

The administration recommends approving the following personnel:

DAY SHIFT CUSTODIAN

SUBSTITUTES
Emma Knisely, Mifflinburg — Guest Teacher
Christopher Kahley, Mifflinburg - Custodian

COACHES
Terrell Lehman - Assistant Varsity Boys Wrestling - $3800
Ruben Casilla - Assistant JH Girls Wrestling - $2100
Leighanne Crawford - Assistant Winter Cheer - $1200
Jonathan Fetterolf - Head Boys Track and Field - $4738
Jeff Kiss - Head Girls Track & Field - $4921
Tom Church - Head Varsity Baseball - $8113
Ron Hernandez - Head Varsity Softball - $5161
Liam Holohan - Head Girls Lacrosse - $4829
Nate Wohlheiter - Head Boys Lacrosse - $4738
Emily Stauffer - Head Junior High Field Hockey - $2575
Jeff Kay - Head Junior High Girls Soccer - $2575

VOLUNTEER COACHES
Tanner Stoltzfus - Girls Varsity Basketball
Landon Corbin & Michelle Kopfinger — Swimming

EVENT STAFF
Mark Nolan

WINTER EVENT WORKERS
As listed on the attachment

FALL PLAY STAFF
As listed on the attachment

Motion by Tim Scholl and seconded by Mindy Benfer to approve the recommended personnel as presented. Vote by roll call was: Yes – Straub, Wagner, Zimmerman, Benfer, Eberhart, Emery, Hommel, Scholl, Snook. Results: Unanimous. Motion #17 carried.

11. **COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Dady announced that Phase 1A of the stadium project should be completed by the end of next week, October 23, 2026, with the exception of the emergency lighting.

12. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

13. **OLD BUSINESS**

14. **NEW BUSINESS**

15. **ADJOURNMENT –** With there being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion by Mindy Benfer and seconded by Brandon Straub, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.. Motion #18 carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy L Boop
Executive Assistant/School Board Secretary

All supporting documents not contained herein are maintained in a separate file at the Administration Office.