BURRELL SCHOOL DISTRICT
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES
October 13, 2026

Call to Order

The Burrell School District Board of Directors Agenda Meeting was held in the High School Board Room and was called to order at 7:02 PM by President LeeAnn S. Guido.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Guido asked all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mr. Tom Deiseroth, Mr. Robert W. Harris, Dr. Tamara Girardi, Mrs. Pam Key (Arrived at 7:09 PM), Ms. Tricia Shank, Mrs. Gretchen V. Beveridge and Mrs. LeeAnn S. Guido

Board Members Absent: Mrs. Nikki Watson, Mr. Timothy J. Vinkovich

Quorum present

Others Present: Dr. Shannon L. Wagner, Superintendent, Mrs. Jennifer S. Callahan, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, Dr. Gregory Egnor, Director of Student Services and Dr. Autumn Turk, Director of Curriculum and Development

Student Representatives Present: Josh Pruitt

Announce Executive Sessions

October 13, 2026 – Immediately following meeting - Personnel Agenda
October 20, 2026 – 7:00 PM - Personnel Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Agenda Meeting – September 8, 2026; Regular Meeting – September 15, 2026

Approval of Monthly Financial Reports:

a. **Treasurer's Report**
b. **General Fund Report**
c. **Capital Reports**
d. **Food Service Reports**
e. **Student Activity Reports**

Comments from Public - Agenda Items Only

None

Reports of Administration and Standing Committees

SUPERINTENDENT - DR. WAGNER

Student/Staff Recognition and Reports

Enrollment Report Information

Dr. Wagner stated she provided an enrollment report for the Board. It shows that as of October 1st, enrollment is 1,617 students. Last year, it was 1,624 and the year prior was 1,674. We did not lose as many students as we typically lose per year. She also provided information regarding our outside placement enrollments showing charter school enrollment, special education placement, and other placements as well as eAcademy and AKAE.

Mr. Harris asked for confirmation if those outside placement students are in the 1,617 total.

Dr. Wagner stated some of them are. For example, Merakey students are within our enrollment numbers as well as eAcademy and AKAE students.

Mrs. Beveridge asked how we change the trend for Charter School enrollments to return students to our schools.

Dr. Wagner stated we have a spike of students in eAcademy and we think it is to avoid the schedule changes.

Dr. Egnor stated that Covid showed families there is a choice. We always make an effort to share our virtual program when students are looking to go virtual. He stated Charter School numbers also includes students at Spectrum Charter School which is a specialized Charter School for students with autism.

Mrs. Guido asked if it is a parent's choice for their child to attend Spectrum as opposed to IEP team placement.

Dr. Wagner added that the numbers change regularly.

Mrs. Guido asked for information about the increase in eAcademy and if it is because of the schedule change.

Dr. Egnor stated that there is usually a spike in January or February. He stated these numbers are close to where they were at the end of last year. He also mentioned that he was required to get a plan in place for the State required wellness procedure for students in virtual schools.

Note: Mrs. Key came in at 7:09 PM.

Mrs. Guido asked if we have the capacity for this number of students in eAcademy. She also asked if we thought about selling the product to other districts.

Dr. Egnor stated it is a program that we pay for. We do not profit from it if other school district students attend. It is very cost effective for our students to attend as opposed to the cost of Cyber Schools.

Dr. Wagner stated that we are probably near the time when we need to look into having our own program but she is not sure what that looks like.

Ms. Shank stated it is not pretty and she does not support it.

Dr. Egnor stated we have about 5% of students attending school virtually. We believe we manage the students well and some families choose it for good reasons.

General discussion ensued about virtual program and virtual students.

Dr. Egnor stated he tries to make students in virtual programs feel connected to the school and community so they can come back into our buildings at some point.

Approval of High School HVAC Improvements Project Change Order HC-1 for Renick Brothers Construction Co. in the amount of DEDUCT $62,062.00 for Unused Allowances

Dr. Wagner stated this change order is mainly due to unused allowances for the High School project, so it is a deduct of costs. Dr. Wagner cautioned the Board that we will likely have a significant change order for the Bon Air project that will be an additional cost due to the water seepage in the ground area and some of the other things that have been uncovered during the addition construction.

Permission to place a Social Studies Student Teacher from Slippery Rock University at Burrell High School for Spring Semester 2027

OTHER ADMINISTRATION - DR. TURK / DR. EGNOR

Approval of Athletic Trips and Field Trips 2026-2027

Dr. Egnor stated that he separated the report into day trips and overnight trips for ease of review and added that there are quite a few trips for the year.

Approval of Individual Student Enrollment Agreement with Wesley Family Schools for enrollment at Wesley Primary School for 2026-2027 school year

Dr. Egnor stated this was formerly the Kindergarten Readiness program. He stated there is a student who will be attending this program.

Dr. Egnor stated that a 3 year agreement will be added to this agreement. They operate a Deer Lakes partial program agreement and a 3 year agreement for a network of Wesley schools. There will be a standing 3 year agreement and then individual student enrollment agreements as needed.

Mrs. Guido asked how old the student is.

Dr. Egnor stated it is a Kindergarten Readiness program.

Mrs. Guido questioned how you determine that a kindergartener needs this restrictive setting if they have not yet been in a kindergarten placement.

Dr. Egnor explained this is an extreme case and it provides the support for students who have needs as well as the family connection which will benefit the District in the long run.

Ms. Shank asked if it is year round.

Dr. Egnor stated this is for one year and it is kindergarten only.

Approval of Enrollment Agreement with The Watson Institute for The Education Center - Sewickley for 2026-2027 school year

Dr. Egnor stated that we have a student who moved here from another District so the IEP team decided that the student will remain there for the remainder of the year.

Ms. Shank asked where they will go after this year.

Dr. Egnor stated the intention is for the student to return after this year. The intention is always for students to return unless they have multiple disabilities. He asks for regular progress monitoring meetings to review and to work on student transitions to return.

Mrs. Beveridge asked how many students.

Dr. Egnor responded that there is one student.

Ms. Shank stated it seems we got two very specialized enrollments at the start of the year. She asked did these families have to move or was there something with the old school.

Dr. Egnor stated that is a good question. It is very difficult once a student is placed when they move here. It is difficult to get them to come to our schools and forcing it could end up in litigation. We really are not privy to the reasons why they move here.

Dr. Girardi asked when we have students that attend our schools, what is the cost to educate them.

Dr. Egnor stated we educate our students. Outside placements are $50,000-$130,000 to educate. He added that we will file for contingency funds for those high cost students.

Dr. Egnor stated less than $25,000 per student is our cost per student.

Mrs. Callahan clarified that this is special education student cost based on Act 16 calculation.

Dr. Girardi asked what is the average cost to educate each student.

Mrs. Callahan stated there are multiple ways to calculate that figure. She stated she will provide some additional information next week.

Dr. Girardi stated that you cannot really plan for students that move in with these high cost needs.

Dr. Egnor stated that is correct and we do our best.

Mrs. Callahan added that it is important we do not "over budget" for the "what if" cases, but we may need to use budgetary resources and transfers for items that occur. It is very difficult to budget for this area.

Dr. Egnor stated we work together to determine the budget.

Approval of Addendum to Agreement for Contracted Staff with Grade Point Resources for 2026-2027 school year

Dr. Egnor stated it has been difficult to find a social worker substitute while ours is out on maternity leave. Grade Point Resources is able to provide a Prevention Specialist to fill the void so this agreement is for this.

Dr. Egnor stated that he wants to add an agenda item for next week. It is a proposal with Allygn LLC to provide consultation for our intensive support rooms. It will be very specific to these level 3 classrooms and will help with the management of the classrooms. It will also set things up to generate revenue to offset costs in the future.

Dr. Wagner added that the agreement has been provided for you in anticipation of adding it for next week's meeting to be approved.

Mrs. Guido asked if they are independent or affiliated.

Dr. Egnor stated that they are independent.

Mrs. Guido asked how does the cost of this compare to the cost of consultation with GPR.

Dr. Egnor stated the cost is comparable but this will be on a more defined basis so it will cost more. The hope for the opportunity is for it to generate revenue in the future. He stated we are excited about it and it will help us try to return students from placement and/or keep them from going to placement.

Dr. Egnor stated he came across this vendor while looking for ways to help stop the increased costs we have due to the needs for the difficult cases. This will help us have the means to support the difficult situations by having regular consultations.

Mrs. Guido stated that she appreciated him looking into options. She added that she knows the Board has asked a lot of difficult questions about the program. She stated that she thinks it is not just a Burrell issue but is statewide. She stated that she appreciates him looking into these things to help offset the costs.

K-8 Math Resource Review Process Update and Public Review of Resources Information

Dr. Turk shared information about where we are with the K-8 Math Resource Adoption process. This is similar to what we did when we implemented ELA resources a few years ago. The reason we are starting this process is because we are seeing a need for a vertical solution for math. It will be a resource that teachers can consistently use. The last time we had an update was 2016 when we started to look at the EngageNY (now Eureka Math) and Achieve the Core resources K-8 after the math standards changed to PA Core in 2014. In 2019, K-5 officially adopted Eureka Math. Middle School (6-8) adopted Big Ideas Math in 2010. We stopped using Big Ideas Math in 2016 after standards changed to PA Core and shifted to using the EngageNY (now Eureka) & Achieve the Core free resources. 6th grade piloted using Eureka Math from 2019-2021, but then switched to Maneuvering the midway through the 2021-2022 school year and continued to use it through 2024-2025. 7th and 8th grade created lessons aligned to PA Core Math through curriculum writing and a gap analysis and did not use Eureka until a pilot in Spring 2026. We have been sending teachers to Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) offered math sessions at WIU. Math leaders at PDE encouraged us to look at various programs.

Mr. Harris asked for clarification on the last text book adoption because math is a tested subject area that should have a defined curriculum.

Dr. Turk stated that in 2009 we got "Big Ideas Math" and used it for about 5 years. In 2016, teachers were not all consistently using it and that was when we were starting our PLC work.

Dr. Turk stated for K-5 we had a pretty consistent way of teaching.

Dr. Wagner added that we have an algebra shared program as well.

Dr. Turk stated it is important that we do this review and implement math curriculum. She discussed the resources being reviewed:

- Eureka2
- Imagine IM
- Thinking Math
- Amplify Desmos Math
- Savvas enVision+ Math

Dr. Turk explained that Board policy states that we have to use our tools and run these resources through them. She stated that what has been provided is a comprehensive review of each program using the rating tools.

Dr. Turk stated we did it manually for the ELA resource review but there are digital ways to do this as well. She stated that for the public review, we will post the digital review on our website and Skyward for public review and feedback. Teachers have asked to go on site visits for each of the sources in neighboring school districts to see them in practice. They will then have more time to review and select their top choice. We are hopeful to review all survey feedback in November and try to make a decision to bring to the Board in January so we can move forward with budgeting and purchasing for the following year.

Dr. Wagner explained the need for the Director of Curriculum position. For a long time, teachers have had the autonomy which has led to a variety of ways of teaching. They are doing the best with what they have, but we did not have a systemic plan. She stated that since we have the Director of Curriculum position, we now have Amplify in place and we are very specific on how it is used. We will be the same way with math. We must have someone that understands and can oversee curriculum. It was not as big of an issue in the past when our students were better prepared. This helps show why this position is so important to the District.

Dr. Girardi understands the need to have the vertical system in place. She asked what about the students who are not meeting the benchmarks now and how do they move forward with that.

Dr. Turk stated at each level, we have consistent K-12 benchmarking tools for math. We were not doing that in the past. We also started with our coaching process to have coaches work with teachers to use their data better.

Dr. Turk discussed some of the interventions that are happening at the buildings to help students get a bit extra during the intervention times. She stated that having the data can help us to see what students are struggling with. We have Personalized Learning Coaches at Bon Air and at the Middle School to work with small groups of students and meet with teachers every week. We are trying to put a system in place to support students. It is hard if we do not have a consistent structured resource in place.

Dr. Girardi asked about summer time and the student use of some of the programs.

Dr. Turk responded that there is a time period that students cannot use the system due to scheduling and roll over.

Dr. Turk stated that this is stressful for teachers to have to make a choice to live with for several years with integrity. It is a heavy load. She added that for math we are including everyone on planning and collaboration days so that all voices are heard.

Mrs. Guido thanked her for the work on this.

PERSONNEL: Approval of Personnel Log dated October 20, 2026

Northern Westmoreland Career & Technology Center Report - Mrs. Beveridge/Mr. Vinkovich

Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Report - Mr. Deiseroth

PSBA Liaison Report - Mrs. Key

Mrs. Key stated she will send a written report.

Mrs. Callahan stated last month Mrs. Key mentioned that grants are available for Food Service Programs for equipment and for Farm-to-school grants. She asked Mrs. Mlinarcik to look into this and report back. Mrs. Callahan provided the information that Mrs. Mlinarcik provided as follows.

In regards to Food Service grants and funding for equipment, the USDA gave away approximately $20 million nationwide for 2025-2026 equipment grants. About $620,000 of that was sent to Pennsylvania for 130 schools. She explained that when applying for the grant, priority is given to "high need schools" to include

high percentages of low income students and a review of operational deficits. Once food service funds are depleted, Burrell can apply in the Spring of 2027 for a USDA equipment grant. However, Burrell does not have a high percentage of low income students. This can also affect if an award is granted.

Regarding locally sourced food, LEA's are currently required to be under 10% of non-domestic products. Burrell is under 5%. Some of our locally sourced food is Turner Dairy and Jordan Banana Produce. Every year, Burrell receives USDA entitlement funds based on meal participation from the previous year. Burrell is required to use the funds on domestic products only. This school year, we received $76,908. Last year, we were given an additional $7,902 from a Farm-to-school grant. Those funds were put towards purchasing from Turner Dairy.

Lastly, Food Service Director, Megan Mlinarcik attended a Harvest Training over the summer in which Burrell received a $4,000 grant to be used for smallware equipment and to teach staff cooking techniques.

BUSINESS - MRS. CALLAHAN

Approval of budgetary transfers

Mrs. Callahan reported that according to School Code, the District can move funds between account codes with Board approval beginning in October, so there will likely be budgetary transfers on the agenda each month.

Approval of Preventative Maintenance Service Agreement of Boiler/Burner Units with Combustion Service & Equipment Co. for period November 1, 2026 through October 31, 2027

Mrs. Callahan stated this is an annual agreement for preventative maintenance on the boilers in the District. There is an increase of $200 over the prior year cost.

Approval of updated W.L. Roenigk, Inc. bus and van drivers list for 2026-2027 school year

Mrs. Callahan stated the Board must approve school bus drivers so you have a list of additional drivers since you approved the original list last month.

Approval of request to establish student activity account – HMS Rocketry Team Club

Mrs. Callahan stated Rodney Schafer is requesting to establish a Middle School student activity account for the MS Rocketry Team Club so that they can fundraise to help offset the costs of the club and its competitions.

Permission to discard obsolete equipment

Mrs. Callahan stated as required by Board policy for discarding equipment, we have a list of old and obsolete technology equipment that the Technology Department is asking for permission to discard.

Mrs. Callahan stated that for technology equipment, we use a vendor to appropriately remove and dispose of our technology equipment because it is important that we ensure the safety and security of these discards.

Communications

None

Requests for Use of Buildings

Payment of Bills

Additions to Agenda (Agenda Meeting only)

Comments from Public

None

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

General discussion ensued about the history of the resources that the Middle School was using for math.

Mr. Ferra added that losing kids to eAcademy might be because we are holding students accountable for being here with attendance procedures.

General discussion ensued about the requirements for transferring to eAcademy and the wellness check-ins, truancy, and new laws.

Student Representative Josh Pruitt stated there was a lot of negativity about the new schedule at first, but now it seems people enjoy it more for senior release and work release students. He believes it is more the students who are having problems getting here on time and with attendance they might find it easier to go online.

General discussion ensued about instructional makeup program.

Dr. Girardi stated she realized that the stadium is not labeled with home and away seating sections. The away teams come and sit with the home team fans. She thinks it is becoming a problem and could escalate. She thinks we should aggressively label the stadium for home and away fans. At other stadiums, the fans are separated for good reasons.

General discussion ensued about the stadium.

Mrs. Guido stated that it is something we can do to make an effort to separate the fans since people in general are not likely to follow authority.

Ms. Shank stated that October 24 is the Fall Festival at Kotecki Park from 11:00 AM-4:00 PM. There will be a shuttle from Redemption Church in case parking is an issue.

Mrs. Guido stated we have had comments that it would be nice if we can amplify sound with microphones during Board meetings.

Mrs. Callahan stated we will look into a solution.

Mrs. Guido stated there was a request about air quality testing and water testing at a previous meeting. She does not think it would be a bad idea to look into the testing.

Mrs. Guido stated we could see if it is possible to use our own resources to test, maybe by the students or in some class. There is an environmental studies class that is doing testing in a class where they tested water in the basement and the water that football players are drinking and the teacher is Chad Clair.

Dr. Wagner stated she has reached out to vendors about testing. She believes it should probably be professionally done rather than in house.

General discussion ensued about testing after construction.

Adjournment at 8:20 PM

MOTION:	Motion by: Mrs. Key	Seconded by: Mr. Harris
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

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Jennifer S. Callahan
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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BURRELL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 20, 2026

Call to Order

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Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Guido asked all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mr. Tom Deiseroth, Mr. Robert W. Harris, Dr. Tamara Girardi, Mr. Timothy J. Vinkovich, Ms. Tricia Shank, Mrs. Gretchen V. Beveridge and Mrs. LeeAnn S. Guido

Board Members Absent: Mrs. Pam Key and Mrs. Nikki Watson

Quorum present

Others Present: Dr. Shannon L. Wagner, Superintendent, Mrs. Jennifer S. Callahan, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary, Dr. Gregory Egnor, Director of Student Services, Dr. Autumn Turk, Director of Curriculum and Development and Solicitor Lee Price from Andrews & Price, LLC

Student Representatives Present: None

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Approval of Minutes

Agenda Meeting – September 8, 2026; Regular Meeting – September 15, 2026

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Harris	Seconded by: Dr. Girardi
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Monthly Financial Reports:

a. **Treasurer's Report (Attachment 10-1)**
b. **General Fund Report (Attachment 10-2)**
c. **Capital Reports (Attachment 10-3)**
d. **Food Service Reports (Attachment 10-4)**
e. **Student Activity Reports (Attachment 10-5)**

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Harris	Seconded by: Dr. Girardi
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Comments from Public - Agenda Items Only

None

Reports of Administration and Standing Committees

SUPERINTENDENT - DR. WAGNER

Student/Staff Recognition and Reports

Dr. Wagner recognized/reported:

- Megan Aranyos - awarded Dollar General Literacy Grant in amount of $1,500 to be used for Middle School access to poetry
- Timothy Vinkovich – PSBA Honor Roll School Board service for 5 years
- Nikki Watson – PSBA Honor Roll School Board service for 5 years

Enrollment Report Information

Dr. Wagner stated she provided enrollment information last week.

Approval of High School HVAC Improvements Project Change Order HC-1 for Renick Brothers Construction Co. in the amount of DEDUCT $62,062.00 for Unused Allowances

MOTION: Motion by: Mrs. Beveridge Seconded by: Ms. Shank

DISCUSSION:

Ms. Shank asked if we are going to do the safety ladders that was brought up at a previous meeting.

Mrs. Guido added that when it was discussed at a previous meeting and it was about more than just getting a cheaper price because we also discussed the possibility of a bucket lift instead.

Dr. Wagner explained that originally there was a change order presented for $46,000 which the Board did not approve. She explained that it was for 3 different size ladders needed at the High School for our maintenance staff to get on the roof to do any maintenance work. It also includes locking ladders and harness for safety.

Dr. Wagner stated that she obtained a new quote for $30,000 for roof ladders though Strongland.

Mrs. Callahan added that the quote is through the COSTARS contract so the Board would not need to bid it if proceeding this way.

Dr. Girardi asked if the quote is for the exact same type of ladders as the change order.

Dr. Wagner stated the quote she obtained from Strongland is for the same type of ladders as originally presented in the change order. She stated that the other discussion was for a crane/bucket lift but thinks it will be much more costly.

Dr. Wagner stated we do have funds in the capital reserve budget for a scissor lift. She stated she will look into it.

Mrs. Guido questioned how Administration could proceed without Board approval.

Mrs. Callahan stated that the quote Dr. Wagner obtained is through the COSTARS contract so we could issue a purchase order for purchase of the items plus installation.

Solicitor Lee Price stated that the Board would need to approve it as he believes it falls under the rules of construction. He stated that even though it was bid through COSTARS, the Board would need to approve it since it is basically a contract for construction.

General discussion ensued regarding purchasing through COSTARS, the difference between construction and maintenance work and when Board approval is required.

Dr. Wagner stated she is going to look into it further and will not proceed at this time.

Mrs. Callahan stated she will talk with Solicitor Lee Price at a later time to make sure we are on the same page with regards to COSTARS and Board approval as well as construction versus installation.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

Permission to place a Social Studies Student Teacher from Slippery Rock University at Burrell High School for Spring Semester 2027

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Harris Seconded by: Ms. Shank
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

OTHER ADMINISTRATION - DR. TURK / DR. EGNOR

Approval of Athletic Trips and Field Trips 2026-2027

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth Seconded by: Mr. Harris
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Individual Student Enrollment Agreement with Wesley Family Schools for enrollment at Wesley Primary School for 2026-2027 school year

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Harris Seconded by: Mrs. Beveridge
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Enrollment Agreement with The Watson Institute for The Education Center - Sewickley for 2026-2027 school year

MOTION: Motion by: Dr. Girardi Seconded by: Mr. Harris
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Addendum to Agreement for Contracted Staff with Grade Point Resources for 2026-2027 school year (Attachment 10-6)

Dr. Egnor stated this is to add a prevention specialist to help out while our social worker is on maternity leave.

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Harris Seconded by: Dr. Girardi

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Egnor stated the search for the person to fill the position continues.

Mrs. Guido asked if they did not already have someone for the position.

Dr. Egnor stated they do not.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

K-8 Math Resource Review Process Update and Public Review of Resources Information

Acceptance of Behavior Specialist Consultation Proposal of Allygn LLC for Behavioral Health Supervision and Consultation (Attachment 10-7)

Dr. Egnor stated this will help by providing consultation for intensive support classrooms for 4-5 hours per week mostly at Bon Air but will also assist with Middle School.

MOTION: Motion by: Mrs. Beveridge Seconded by: Mr. Harris

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Guido asked if the owner is a BCBA consultant.

Dr. Egnor stated the owner is not the consultant. He is a medical doctor but has found passion in helping schools to generate revenue. There are a few BCBA's on staff to do the consultation.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Site-Based Academic Services Agreement with Wesley Family Services for period August 25, 2026 to June 30, 2028 (Attachment 10-8)

Dr. Egnor explained that this agreement is needed since item #2 is an addendum to this agreement and since we did not have it approved previously. He believes it is necessary. When it was proposed to us in August 2025, it was not needed for us but now we have students that need to attend this program.

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Harris Seconded by: Mrs. Beveridge

DISCISSION:

Ms. Shank stated the appendix states it is for the 2025-2026 school year.

Dr. Egnor stated yes, that is their contract but we are only accepting it for this current period for the specific student.

Solicitor Lee Price added that this would be in effect until June 30, 2028 in case any other schools listed are needed.

General discussion ensued about the agreements for students in placements and at other schools.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

PERSONNEL: Approval of Personnel Log dated October 20, 2026 (Attached)

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth	Seconded by: Mr. Vinkovich
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Northern Westmoreland Career & Technology Center Report - Mrs. Beveridge/Mr. Vinkovich

Mrs. Beveridge reported:

- Roof work is completed
- Rosedale technical agreement formed for college credits for students
- CCAC agreement for Culinary Arts up to 12 credits for students
- Student Recognition:
    - Gavin Gorsuch, Evan Stadterman, Erika Kallner, Lucas Sworts, Adam Beveridge – Students of the month
    - Leonna Votquenne and Natalee Riggle - Placed in challenge program with JV Manufacturing
    - Aubrey Turk – Congratulations for entering co-op for the education program
    - Enrollment 625 total with 146 Burrell students
    - Several grants written recently
    - Electrical Program is up and running with 20 students
    - Open house being held on November 5, 2026 from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM – all are invited
    - JOC meeting December 3, 2026 with Reorganization Meeting and building tours and dinner

Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Report - Mr. Deiseroth

Mr. Deiseroth reported:

- Approved resignations and hirings
- Approved changes at Clairview
- Approved asphalt repairs at Clairview and WIU building

PSBA Liaison Report - Mrs. Key

Mrs. Guido stated that Mrs. Key provided a written PSBA report for Board members to review.

BUSINESS - MRS. CALLAHAN

Approval of budgetary transfers (Attachment 10-9)

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth	Seconded by: Mr. Harris
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Preventative Maintenance Service Agreement of Boiler/Burner Units with Combustion Service & Equipment Co. for period November 1, 2026 through October 31, 2027 (Attachment 10-10)

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Harris	Seconded by: Dr. Girardi
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Approval of updated W.L. Roenigk, Inc. bus and van drivers list for 2026-2027 school year

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth	Seconded by: Mr. Harris
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Approval of request to establish 2 student activity accounts – HMS Rocketry Team Club and BHS Rocketry Team Club

Mrs. Callahan reported that this item has changed since last week. Mr. Schafer is actually requesting to establish a student activity account for Rocketry Team Club at both the High School and Middle School.

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth	Seconded by: Dr. Girardi
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Permission to discard obsolete equipment

MOTION:	Motion by: Mr. Deiseroth	Seconded by: Mr. Harris
VOTE:	Roll Call: All in Favor	MOTION CARRIED

Additional information

Mrs. Callahan stated that during Board discussion last week, Dr. Girardi asked about the average cost per student in the District and so information is being provided this week. As mentioned last week, there are various ways to calculate this item and that is important to note so that anyone comparing data is really looking at the same calculation.

Mrs. Callahan explained that basically there are 3 calculations that she would suggest are used if looking at cost per student for data purposes as follows:

1. PDE Tuition Rate calculation – which provides an elementary cost per student and a secondary cost per student
2. Take total expenditures and divide by total ADMs
3. Charter School Tuition Cost Calculation - used to determine charter school tuition rate and differentiates the cost of regular education and special education

Mrs. Callahan explained each method and the cost that each calculation drives out for Burrell's cost per student for 2024-2025.

Mrs. Callahan stated that she thinks using the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) tuition rate calculation and the Charter School calculation are good methods to use to review data because they can be compared with other school district figures based on actual AFR reports and ADM reported to the state. Also, this data is available on the PDE website. The PDE tuition rate calculation results in an Elementary cost per student of $12,639 and Secondary cost per student of $15,936.

Communications

None

Requests for Use of Buildings (Attachment 10-11)

Mrs. Callahan presented the building use requests as prepared and recommended by Mr. Ferra, Athletic Director in accordance with Board policy.

MOTION: Motion by: Dr. Girardi Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth

DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Guido asked if this is the first time Ovation School of Dance is renting our facilities.

Mr. Ferra replied yes, it is the first time.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

Payment of Bills (Attachment 10-12)

MOTION: Motion by: Mr. Harris Seconded by: Mr. Deiseroth

DISCUSSION:

Ms. Shank asked about two missing check numbers.

Mrs. Callahan stated they were voided checks due to a printer issue.

VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

Additions to Agenda (Agenda Meeting only)

Comments from Public

None

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Dr. Girardi thanked Mr. Ferra for the signs at the stadium and how quickly they were put up.

Mr. Ferra added that he noticed spectators actually followed the signs.

General discussion ensued about the seating at the stadium.

Mr. Ferra stated Ron Zanella and Darcy Holtzman made the signs in our Makerspace.

Adjournment at 8:18 PM

MOTION: Motion by: Mrs. Beveridge Seconded by: Dr. Girardi
VOTE: Roll Call: All in Favor MOTION CARRIED

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Jennifer S. Callahan
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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