

Board Briefs

NORTH SCHUYLKILL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Regular Meeting – August 12, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the North Schuylkill Board of Education was held on the above date in the LGI Room of the North Schuylkill Junior/Senior High School.

Action was taken on the following agenda items:

Finance Committee

Approved:

-  financial reports and check registers
-  Real Estate Tax Exemptions for Disabled Veterans
-  an agreement with Finalsight for mass notifications
-  ratifying the resolution to execute documents for the Multimodal Transportation Grant
-  the Snow Removal Services Contract with Dudash Excavating and Hauling
-  the quotations from If It's Water, Inc. for maintenance to the Donald Bricker Natatorium
-  awarded the bids for equipment
-  the second amendment to the School Sports Medicine Services Agreement with Saint Luke's
-  waiving the minimum bid on a repository property
-  the donation of old weight room equipment to the Shenandoah Valley School District

Physical Facilities

Approved:

-  Facility Use Applications

Personnel

Approved:

-  the resignation of Roobhenn Smith, Assistant Elementary Principal
-  Nora Lorady as an Assistant Elementary Principal
-  Dr. Rob Thurich as the School Doctor for the 2026-2027 school year
-  Dr. Desiree Eltringham as the School Dentist for the 2026-2027 school year
-  the change of assignment for the 2026-2027 school year for Deneen Reese to Administrator on Assignment
-  a permanent contract for a professional staff member
-  Jaden Leiby as an Elementary Special Education Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year
-  a mentor teacher
-  the resignations of Yasmin Vasconi and Monica Jones, Part-Time Paraprofessionals
-  the change of assignment for Patricia Alsvan to Part-Time Paraprofessional Substitute
-  Amber Barlow, Kelly Rakus, Jessica Kimmel, Sarah Maurer, Madison Palmer and Vanessa Allsion as Part-Time Paraprofessionals
-  an FMLA Leave Request for Sandra Wilson
-  Charles Dillman as a Part-Time Cafeteria Worker
-  the change of assignment for Will Walter to Full-Time Second Shift Custodian and an employment agreement

Curriculum & Instructional Programs

Approved:

-  the following 2026-2027 handbooks and documents:
 - Employee Procedural Handbook and Code of Conduct
 - Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook
 - Elementary School Student Handbook
 - Parent and Student Athlete Handbook
 - Athletic Code of Conduct
 - Clubs – Extracurricular Activities – Societies – Competitions – Athletic Guide
 - PBIS Manual
 - Special Education Handbook
 - Gifted Education Handbook
 - Special Education (ESY) Extended School Year Handbook
 - 504 Handbook
 - Differentiated Supervision Plan (DSP)
 - Student Performance Measure (SPM)
 - Equity Plan
 - Language Instruction & Preparation Program (LIEP)
 - Teacher Induction & Preparation for Service (TIPS) Manual
 - Third Party Conduct Guidelines
 - Third Party Confidentiality Agreement
 - Independent Evaluation Procedures
 - Surrogate Parent Procedures
 - Flexible Instruction Day

-  the Chromebook Damage Repair Plan
-  the Linkage Letter/Referral Agreement, the Letters of Agreement for SAP, ESAP and the Outpatient Treatment Services with Child and Family Support Services, Inc.
-  the Lebanon Valley College Health Science Departments Clinical and Practicum Experience Agreement
-  the Intermediate Unit 1/Pennsylvania Training & Technical Assistance Network Subrecipient Agreement
-  the Business Associate Agreement and Letter of Agreement with Safety Net Counseling, Inc.
-  the Health Care Staffing Agreement with Interim Healthcare Services, Inc.
-  the Language Instruction Education Program (LIEP) Service Agreement with IU 29
-  the Service Agreement for PDE Developing Future Special Educators Grant; Intent to Participate Agreement for Title III; Title I Letter of Agreement, the 21st CCLC Data Sharing Agreements with IU 29
-  the New Story Schools Services Agreement

Food Service, Safety, Transportation

Approved:

-  transportation drivers, aides and transportation contractors for the 2026-2027 school year
-  the 2026-2027 transportation routes and stops
-  adding Madison Reeder to the School Bus Drivers/Van Drivers/Aides Roster for 2025-2026 school year
-  Dr. Robert Ackell as the School Safety and Security Coordinator

Extracurricular Programs

Approved:

-  the following Supplemental Positions for the 2026-2027 school year:
 - Ian Recla – Trap Club Advisor
 - Brady Simms – Trap Club Advisor
 - Jenna Dyszel – Youth Summit Advisor
-  rescinded the motion on agenda item 6.5.2 from June 17, 2026 and approved Jack Flynn as Head Softball Coach for the Spring 2027 Season
-  the MOU with the NSEA for adding the position of Junior High Volleyball Coach
-  Ryliegh Sinko as the Head Junior High Volleyball Coach
-  free admission to all regular season NSSD home sporting events for NS Students who present a valid school-issued Student ID Card effective beginning with the 2026-2027 school year

Policy/Legislative

Approved:

-  the Second Reading of the following policy: 716

Merri Lynn Craig, Board Secretary



Upcoming Meetings

September 16, 2026 – Committee Meetings – 7:00 p.m.
– Regular Meeting – immediately following Committee Meetings

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