

Pine Grove Area School District



**Regular Board Meeting Agenda
Thursday, May 15, 2025 @ 6:30pm
Middle School Library**

**Mr. Dave Lukasewicz
Board President**

**Mr. Heath W. Renninger
Superintendent**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – President Dave Lukasewicz called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Moment of Silence to recognize Jay Vazquez, a 10-year-old 4th grade Pine Grove Area School District student who passed away on Monday, May 5, 2025.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Donald E. Brown, Jr.	Amanda Daubert	Dave Frew	J.T. Herber
Genavieve Moyer	Sascha Primeau	Lauren Potter	Randy Stump
Dave Lukasewicz	Alexis Butler, Student Rep	(arrived @ 6:38pm)	

Others in Attendance: Heath Renninger, Jodie Dermo, Steph Ziegmont, Todd Lingle, Mike Janicelli, Bill Kimber, Corey Mentzer, Rich Dunkelberger, Attorney Nick Quinn, Kim Pribilla, Jennifer Foose, Josh Lisi, Sandy Burns, Mary Jo Nabholz, Talya Breisch, Mary Fertig with her mom, sister and nephew, Ashley Bonawitz and her parents, and Amber and William Hummel.

4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Heath Renninger thanked the community, faculty, staff, kids, parents and business that have supported the district this school year. We had another very productive year.

Dave Lukasewicz, Mike Janicelli, and Heath Renninger honored May Seniors of the Month – Mary Fertig and Ashley Bonawitz

Dave Lukasewicz, Rich Dunkelberger and Heath Renninger May 8th Graders of the Month – Layla Rhody and Shawn Lockner (not present)

5. **BOARD BUSINESS**

INFORMATIONAL: The December Re-Organization/General Purposes Meeting has been rescheduled for *Tuesday, December 2, 2025.*

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Kim Pribilla from Pine Grove, PA, went over budget concerns and concerns for more staffing needed in the Elementary School.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A Daubert to approve the April, 15, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, and the April 15, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes*

Vote was Unanimous.

8. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – *Dave Frew, Chairperson*

- R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Items A through C.*

Vote was Unanimous.

- A. A motion is requested to approve a donation from the Pine Grove Area Education Foundation in the amount of \$31,297 for the purchase of a new scoreboard by Fair –Play for the baseball field. The PGAEF donation is being funded by the Walter Stump Insurance Agency LLC.
- B. A motion is requested to approve a donation from Tri-Vet Contracting Co. Inc., for materials, equipment, manpower, consultation and labor in the anticipated amount of \$8,000 to bring the installation of the new baseball scoreboard from start to finish.
- C. A motion is requested for approval to contract services with Degler Whiting to provide and install a new baseball scoreboard at a cost of \$31,297. This cost will be paid from the Pine Grove Area Ed Foundation donation. This is a Costars contract #014-E23-309.
- D. A motion is requested to grant the Superintendent authority to issue written notice to the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit #29 that the lease agreement for elementary classroom #A105 will not be renewed due to spacing issues.

9. CURRICULUM – *Genavieve Moyer, Chairperson*

- S. Primeau made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Items A through F.*

Vote was Unanimous.

- A. Approval of the 2025 Graduate List.
- B. A motion is requested to approve the Curriculum Facilitator Job Description as found in the Board Packet.
- C. A motion is requested to approve the Curriculum Facilitator Evaluation Form as found in the Board Packet.
- D. A motion is requested to approve the Dual Credit Affiliation Agreement with Commonwealth Campuses for a term of five year. At the end of this period, the agreement will renew annually.

- E. A motion is requested to approve the Letter for Agreement with Child and Family Support Services, Inc. for Student Assistance Program (SAP) Services for the 2025-2026 school year, as found in the Board Packet.
- F. A motion is requested to approve the Letter of Agreement with Child and Family Support Services, Inc. for Elementary Student Assistance Program (ESAP) Services for the 2025-2026 school year, as found in the Board Packet.

S. Primeau made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Item G.

Vote was 5 yes, 1 no (Primeau), motion passes.

- G. A motion is requested to approve Summer School for students who need to make up credits. The cost will be \$80 per half credit and \$160 per full credit, at the expense of parents/guardians.

10. FINANCE/AUDIT – Dave Frew, Chairperson

J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Item A.

- A. Approval of the 2025-2026 Pine Grove Area School District Proposed Final Budget. The budget is open for public inspection. The proposed budget contains a deficit of \$278,950, which will be taken from fund balance. The proposed budget also includes a tax raise of 2.417 mills.

<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
\$29,914,415	\$30,193,365

Roll Call Vote, 6 yes, 0 no

J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Items B through I.

Vote was Unanimous.

- B. Approval of the bills for payment.
- C. Approval of the treasurer's report.
- D. A motion is requested for approval to award the 2025-26 FSMC Cafeteria Contract to Metz Culinary Management. Metz's guarantee for the 2025-26 school is year \$185,161.28.
- E. A motion is requested to approve the Disposition of Assets as found in the Board Packet and to dispose of them as per Board Policy.
- F. A motion is requested to approve the agreement for Participation in Child Nutrition Programs between Pine Grove Area School District and Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Schuylkill County AVTS Operating Agency.
- G. A motion is requested to approve the PSBA Membership Invoice at a cost of \$12,642.73.

- H. A motion is requested to approve awarding the following bids for the 2025-2026 school year:

Coal to Reading Anthracite in the amount of \$285/ton (p/y \$295.00).

Propane to Koppy's Propane in the amount of \$1.349/gallon (p/y \$1.349/gallon).

Lumber to Werner's Lumber in the amount of \$3.82 for Red Oak (p/y \$3.69) and \$1.89 for Pine (P/Y \$1.89).

Municipal Waste to Casella in the amount of \$28,420.02 (p/y \$35,856.00, extra trash \$150 (p/y \$100), and extra recycle \$150 (p/y \$100).

- I. A motion is requested to approve the overnight trip for the Esports team to travel to Mount Aloysius from May 31, 2025 to June 1, 2025 to compete for the All-Star State Finals. There is no cost to the district other than van transportation.

11. EXTRA-CURRICULAR – Randy Stump, Chairperson

- A. *R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert* to approve the following Volleyball volunteers for the 2025-2026 season, pending clearances:

Tanae Frey

Demi Kolb

Vote was Unanimous.

12. PERSONNEL – Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson

- AA. *Daubert made a motion, seconded by S. Primeau* to approve Items A through P.

Vote was Unanimous.

- A. A motion is requested to approve accepting the letter of resignation from Melissa Luckenbach from her position as Fourth Grade Math Teacher effective July 1, 2025.
- B. A motion is requested to approve the intent to retire from Patricia Reimer, Third Grade Teacher, effective the last day of the 2024-2025 school year.
- C. A motion is requested to ratify accepting the letter of resignation from Kristian Plazola from his Custodian position effective April 24, 2025.
- D. A motion is requested to ratify moving Kaelin Wessner from his current position as Utility Worker to Custodian.
- E. A motion is requested to ratify moving Andrew Daubert from Substitute Custodial/Cleaning to Utility Worker effective May 7, 2025. Andrew will be paid \$16.25 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract.

- F. A motion is requested to approve adding Steven Frew to the substitute Custodial/Cleaning list.
- G. A motion is requested to ratify hiring Madison Miller for the position of Paraprofessional I. Madison will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. Madison started on May 5, 2025.
- H. A motion is requested to approve employee #95770 to take May 28, 2025 and May 29, 2025 as unpaid days.
- I. A motion is requested to ratify terminating employee #92282 from his position as Custodian effective May 6, 2025.
- J. A motion is requested to approve moving Mary Jo Nabholz to Special Education Supervisor beginning July 1, 2025. Mary Jo will be paid \$70,000 and receive all benefits in accordance to the Act 93 Agreement.
- K. A motion is requested to approve hiring Talya Breisch as a Temporary Professional starting with the 2025/2026 school year. Talya will be paid Bachelor's Step 1 for a salary of \$49, 590 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. She will teach Special Education in the Elementary School.
- L. Approval to pay the following professional staff the contractual rate to teach ESY for the Summer, 2025: Jennifer Hall
- M. Approval to pay the following paraprofessionals their negotiated rate to help with the ESY Program for the Summer, 2025: Phyllis D'Ambrosio-Kull, Josh Kimber, Felicia Wylezik.
- N. A motion is requested to approve hiring Rieleigh Purcell as a paraprofessional for the ESY Program for the summer of 2025. Rieleigh will be paid \$12.35 per hour.
- O. A motion is requested to add Theresa Leffler to the list of Game Workers.
- P. Approval of the following volunteers: Brandi Gross, Shawn Haas, Lisa Wagner, Shanna Harley, Sarah Jones and Justin Sidleck.

13. POLICY – J.T. Herber, Chairperson

J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve Items A through C.
Vote was Unanimous.

- A. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy 707 “Use of School Facilities.”
- B. Approval of the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy 915 “Booster Organizations.”

- C. A motion is requested to set a September 1, 2025 effective date of the “Administration” section of policy 915. All other sections of the policy become effective immediately.

14. **TRANSPORTATION** – *Lauren Potter, Chairperson*

15. **TECHNOLOGY** – *Donald E. Brown, Jr., Chairperson*

16. **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** – *Alexis Butler*

17. **SCHUYLKILL INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT** – *Dave Frew, Representative*

18. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Jennifer Foose, candidate running for District Judge in Tremont, introduced herself and talked about the upcoming election.
- William Hummel of Pine Grove, PA, spoke about his concerns about move the Little Cardinals practice to the Legion Acres Field. Mitigation needs to be done for it to feel safe for the kids to practice. Discussion was had about safety concerns regarding the Little Cardinals Football using the Legion Acres Field and the safety of the field.

19. **ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 7:13pm to a short Executive Session for Personnel and will not return.

Brittney Harner

Brittney Harner, Board Secretary