

WELLSBORO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

June 11, 2026 - 6:30 PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call of Members
- IV. Announcement of any Executive Sessions: May 28, 2026, Conference Room, 5:00 PM, for the purpose of legal and personnel; June 11, 2026, Conference Room, 5:00 PM, for the purpose of annual School Safety and Security Coordinator report;
- V. Concerned Resident Issues: **Residents must first state clearly their full name and address. They will be allowed no more than five minutes to state their concern to the Board regarding action to be taken on the Agenda. Allegations regarding students or teachers are to be provided to the Administrators. They are not to be discussed in public. Speakers may be held liable for untrue statements.**
- VI. Approval of Agenda – Voice Vote

____ Approved ____ Disapproved ____ Amended ____ Tabled ____ Postponed
- VII. Board Minutes/Financials – Voice Vote

*A. Minutes of Previous Meetings
Minutes of Work Session of May 4, 2026; [\(Attachment VII-A\)](#)
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of May 12, 2026; [\(Attachment VII-A-1\)](#)
Minutes of Special Meeting of May 28, 2026; [\(Attachment VII-A-2\)](#)
Minutes of HS Ag General CTE of April 20, 2026; [\(Attachment VII-A-3\)](#)
- *B. Approval of Bills
General Fund Invoices; [\(Attachment VII-B\)](#)
Student Activity Invoices;
Capital Reserve Invoices;
Disbursements – General Fund;
- ____ Approved ____ Disapproved ____ Amended ____ Tabled ____ Postponed
- VIII. A. Reports
1. Student Representatives
2. Superintendent
3. Business Manager
4. Board Members
5. Public Relations Follow-Up

IX. CONSENT ITEMS

Roll Call Vote

1. ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION

A. Approval of Authorization for Year-End Budget Transfers

Consideration of approval to authorize the WASD Administration to perform all year-end budget transfers making all necessary revisions to the General Fund Budget upon the

with the PA Public School Code and PA Department of Education regulations; and further, the WASD Administration will report said revisions to the Board during the meeting following the completion of the fiscal year audit;

***B. Dental Hygiene Program Outline for School Years 2026-27 and 2027-2028**

Consideration of approval to enter into Dental Hygiene Program Outline for School Years 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 with Nicola S. Kress, Dental Hygienist/Public Health DH Practitioner to provide dental hygiene services for students in Kindergarten, Third Grade and Seventh Grade at a per student cost of \$6.50. ([Attachment IX-1B](#))

C. Approval to Pay 2026 Bills

Consideration of approval to allow the WASD Administration to pay the July cafeteria, General, and Capital Reserve Fund bills that would normally be approved at a July 2026 meeting. These bills will appear for retroactive approval at the August 11, 2026 Board Meeting.

***D. Approval of BLaST Inter-Governmental Agreement for shared Special Education Services**

Consideration of approval of BLaST IU#17 Inter-Governmental Agreement for shared Special Education Services between the Wellsboro Area School District and BLaST IU#17 at an annual projected cost of \$184,267.25 for a period running from July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027. ([Attachment IX-1D](#))

E. Approval of Insurance Carrier for School Year 2026-27

Consideration of approval for the insurance carrier for School Year 2027-2027 as follows:

	\$ _____
Property	\$
General Liability	\$
Crime (includes burglary)	\$
Commercial Equip. Floater	\$
Business Auto	\$
Commercial Umbrella	\$
Cyber Liability	\$
TOTAL PREMIUM	\$

2. PERSONNEL

A. Approval of Extra-Curricular Resignation

Consideration of approval to accept letter of resignation from:

1. Andrew Rendos, as High School Wrestling Assistant Coach, effective May 22, 2026;
2. Taylor Keiser, as Strength and Conditioning Coach, effective June 1, 2026;

B. Approval of Support Staff (WESPA) Resignations

Consideration of approval to accept letters of resignation from:

1. Susan Jackson, part-time High School paraprofessional, effective June 4, 2026;
2. Natalie Maddox, part-time High School paraprofessional, effective June 4, 2026;

3. OTHER

***A. Approval of Overnight Field Trip Requests**

Consideration of overnight field trip requests as follows:

1. Melanie Berndtson, High School AgScience Teacher, to take ten (10) Grand Canyon FFA students to Letchworth, New York from June 29 – July 1, 2026; ([Attachment IX-3A-1](#))
2. Melanie Berndtson, High School AgScience Teacher, to take four (4) Grand Canyon

FFA students to North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on July 26 – 29, 2026 for the purpose of National WHEP (Wildlife Habitat Education Program) contest; ([Attachment IX-3A-2](#))

____ Approved ____ Disapproved ____ Amended ____ Tabled ____ Postponed

X. ACTION ITEMS:

1. ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION

***A. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Wellsboro Area School District and Wellsboro Police Department**

Consideration of approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Wellsboro Area School District and Wellsboro Police Department, effective July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027 as presented. ([Attachment X-1A](#))

***B. Approval of Contract for Music Therapy Services – Momentum Music Services**

Consideration of approval for Contract for Music Therapy Services contracted through Momentum Music Services, effective August 19, 2026 – June 5, 2026 (Fees: \$85 per direct service hour for group and individual sessions, pro-rated for shorter sessions; \$70 per hour for consultation, pro-rated for shorter meetings; \$135 for each completed assessment) ([Attachment X-1B](#))

***C. Adoption of Tax Resolution for Setting the Tax Rates for the 2026-27 Fiscal Year**

Consideration of approval for the adoption of the following tax rates for the 2026-2027 fiscal year: ([Attachment X-1C](#))

Real Estate Tax:

Lycoming County Real Estate Millage	20.03	Mils
Tioga County Res Estate Millage	10.02	Mils

Act 511 Taxes:

Real Estate Transfer Tax	.50%
Earned Income Tax/Act 511	1.00%
Earned Income Tax/Act24	.50%
Local Service Tax/Act 511	\$5.00

***D. Adoption of 2026-27 Wellsboro Area School District General Fund Operating Budget**

Consideration of approval for the adoption of the 2026-27 Wellsboro Area School District General Fund Operating Budget (PDE 2028) with projected revenues of \$30,553,268 and projected expenditures of \$31,233,739. ([Attachment X-1D](#))

***E. Adoption of 2026-2027 Act 1 Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion Resolution**

Consideration of approval for the adoption of the 2026-27 Act 1 Resolution authorizing and implementing the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion applicable to the 2026-27 fiscal year. ([Attachment X-1E](#))

F. Approval of WASD School Breakfast/Lunch Prices for School Year 2026-2027

Consideration of approval for the Wellsboro Area School District's School Breakfast/ Lunch Meal Prices for the School Year 2026-2027 will remain the same as School Year 2025-26 with adult meal prices at \$3.00 for breakfast and lunch price of \$4.85.

***G. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Bradford-Tioga Head Start & WASD**

Consideration of approval for Memorandum of Understanding between Wellsboro Area School District and Bradford-Tioga Head Start, Inc. assuring continuum of quality of services for

students and families, to support children's optimal development, school readiness and long-term readiness and long-term success, to address unique strengths and needs of the local population to promote collaboration regarding shared use of facilities, to promote further collaboration to reduce duplication and enhance efficiency of services, to define roles and responsibilities of named parties, to support ongoing communication and parent outreach and to coordinate staff trainings. ([Attachment X-1G](#))

*H. Approval of Contract for UPMC Pediatric Therapy Services (Occupational)

Consideration of approval to enter into UPMC Contract for Pediatric Therapy Services for Occupational therapy services for the School Year 2026-27 at a total cost of \$94,500 (in ten (10) monthly payments of \$9,450 per month from September 2026 through June 2027) effective 1st day of July, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027; ([Attachment X-1H](#))

*I. Approval of Contract for UPMC Pediatric Therapy Services (Physical Therapy)

Consideration of approval to enter into UPMC Contract for Pediatric Therapy Services for Physical therapy as follows:

1. Physical Therapy Hourly Fee \$105.00
2. Physical Therapy Evaluation/Re-Evaluation \$170.00
3. Travel Time Hourly Fee to District Site \$ 58.00
4. Mileage to/from UPMCW and District Site IRS Rate/Mile

Said Contract effective July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027. ([Attachment X-1I](#))

*J. Approval of Student Transition Services Agreement between WASD and Partners in Progress

Consideration of approval of Student Transition Services Agreement between Wellsboro Area School District and Partners in Progress, as presented. ([Attachment X-1J](#))

*K. Approval of First Reading of Revised WASD Policy 200-AR – O Enrollment of Students;

Consideration of approval for the first reading of revised WASD Policy 200-AR-O Enrollment of Students; ([Attachment X-1K](#))

*L. Approval of Second Reading and Final Adoption of Updated Attachments of Policy #626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance

Consideration of approval for the second reading and final adoption of Updated Attachments of Policy #626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance. ([Attachment X-1L](#))

*M. Approval of MOU between Northern Tier Regional Planning & Development Commission and WASD

Consideration of approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Wellsboro Area School District And Northern Tier Regional Planning & Development Commission as presented. ([Attachment X-1M](#))

*N. Approval of MOA between Wellsboro Area School District and Wellsboro Area Education Support Professionals Association

Consideration of approval for the Memorandum of Agreement between the Wellsboro Area School District and the Wellsboro Area Education Support Professionals Association as presented. ([Attachment X-1N](#))

*O. Approval of District Parking Lot Lighting Bid from Bid Opening on May 20, 2026

Consideration of approval for the District Parking Lot Lighting Bid be awarded to G. R. Noto Electrical Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$95,500.00. ([Attachment X-1O](#))

- *P. Approval of IDEA Agreement-Project#062-27-0017—CFDA #84.027
Consideration of approval of IDEA Agreement (Project #062-27-0017 CFDA #84.027) between BLAST IU# 17 and Wellsboro Area School District, dated July 1, 2026 with an estimated IDEA allocation for the District of \$292,125.28 as presented. ([Attachment X-1P](#))
- *Q. Approval of Repair Proposal of Port Elevator, for Repairs to Wellsboro High School Elevator
Consideration of approval of Repair Proposal , Port Elevator, New Columbia, PA for repairs to Wellsboro High School elevator in the amount of \$20,108. ([Attachment X-1Q](#))
- *R. Approval of Contract for Employment of Sign Language Interpreter
Consideration of approval for Employment of Sign Language Interpreter as presented. ([Attachment X-1R](#))
- *S. Approval of Proposal to Complete Architectural and Engineers-Facility Study by Amos E. Rudolph, Architecture, Inc.
Consideration of approval for the Complete Architectural and Engineers – Facility Study by Amos E. Rudolph Architecture, Inc. in the amount of \$59,200. Said Evaluation to include existing Wellsboro Area School District Schools and to evaluate the existing buildings and make recommendations for a long-term master plan for the District. Said Evaluation shall include but not be limited to General Building condition, HVAC Systems, Plumbing Systems and Electrical Systems. ([Attachment X-1S](#))

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2. PERSONNEL

- A. Approval of Extra-Curricular Volunteer Appointments for School Year 2025-26 & 2026-27
Consideration of approval for the following extra-curricular volunteer appointments for School Year 2025-26 and 2026-27;
1. Lynsey Hastings as **Volunteer** Middle School Cheerleading Advisor, for the School Year 2026-27;
 2. Maureen Poirier as **Volunteer** High School Girls Basketball Assistant Coach, for School Year 2026-27 pending receipt of Mandated Reporter Training certificate;
 3. Jacob Mitchell as **Volunteer** High School Boys Soccer Assistant Coach pending receipt of PA State Police Clearance, PA Child Abuse Clearance, FBI fingerprint Clearance (or a Waiver if Jake prefers) and the Mandated Reporter Training Certificate, for School Year 2026-27.
 4. Samuel Pollock as **Volunteer** High School Volleyball Assistant Coach for School Year 2026-27;
 5. Kendall Hastings as **Volunteer** Middle School Cheerleading Advisor, for School Year 2026-27;
 6. Christie Howe as **Volunteer** High School Golf Assistant Coach for School Year 2026-27;
- B. Approval of Extra-Curricular Hires for School Year 2026-27
Consideration of approval for the 2025-26 School Year extra-curricular hires of :
1. Ronald Doughtie, High School Boys Basketball Head Coach, at a stipend of \$4,659 for School Year 2026-27;
 2. Jacob Singer, High School Boys Basketball Assistant Coach, at a stipend of \$2,874 for School Year 2026-27;
 3. Shawn Bryant, High School Girls Basketball Assistant Coach, at a stipend of \$2,874 for School Year 2026-27;
 4. Carol Weimar, High School Cheerleading Advisor, at a stipend of \$3,342 For School Year 2026-27;

C. Approval of Substitute Hires for Special Education Extended School Year (ESY) Program (2025-26)

Consideration of approval for the following hires as Substitute hires for Special Education Extended School Year Program of 2025-26 (June 15 – July 16, 2026):

1. Ashley Baker, Don Gill Learning Support Teacher at the rate of \$38.00 per hour; as a Substitute ESY Teacher;
2. Mary Jane Freeman, at the rate of \$16.00 per hour, as a Substitute ESY Paraprofessional;

D. Approval of Support Staff (WESPA) Hires for School Year 2026-27

Consideration of approval for the hire of Support Staff (WESPA) paraprofessionals and LPN Elementary Nurse for School Year 2026-27:

1. Klaryssa Casher as part-time Special Education paraprofessional, (up to 29.5 hours per week/9 months) effective start date of June 11, 2026; Starting rate will be \$16.00 per hour; hire is dependent on completion of Highly Qualified Paraprofessional Training within one year of date of hire. hiring is also dependent on a satisfactory completion of a first thirty (30) working Day probationary period;
2. Kristin Boggs as part-time Special Education paraprofessional, (up to 29.5 hours per week/9 months); Starting rate will be \$16.00 per hour; hire is dependent on completion of Highly Qualified Paraprofessional Training within one year of date of hire; Hiring is also dependent on a satisfactory completion of a first thirty (30) work day probationary period;
3. Nicole Miller as a full-time (8 hrs. per day/9 months) LPN Elementary Nurse at a starting wage of \$23.50 per hour; effective starting date of August 17, 2026; hire is dependent on a satisfactory completion of a first thirty (30) work day probationary period and pending receipt of updated clearances (3) and renewal of license number PN287593 by June 30, 2026;

E. Approval of Appointment of WASD Board Secretary for School Year 2026-2027

Consideration of approval for the appointment of Heather Brown as Wellsboro Area School District Board Secretary for the School Year 2026-27 for the sum of \$5,000 per annum, effective July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

F. Approval of Appointment of WASD Athletic Director for School Year 2026-27

Consideration of approval for the appointment of Matthew Rendos as Wellsboro Area School District Athletic Director for the School Year 2026-27 for the sum of \$15,000, effective July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

G. Approval of Support Staff (WESPA) Transfer

Consideration of approval for the transfer of John Tubbs, **from** Rock L. Butler Middle School Custodian, full-time (8 hrs. per day/12 months) **to** full-time (8 hrs. per day/12 months) Charlotte Lappla Elementary Custodian, effective June 8, 2026;

H. Approval of CPR/First Aid Training Funded through Title IV Funds for June 11 & 12, 2026

Consideration of approval for the following Wellsboro Area School District paraprofessionals to participate in CPR/First Aid Training funded through Title IV funds for June 11 & 12, 2026. trainers will be Bianca Parsons and Jenna Boyce. Paraprofessionals will be paid in accordance with their Collective Bargaining Agreement.

I. Approval of Hire of WASD High School Principal

Consideration of approval for the hire of _____ as Wellsboro Area School District High School Principal, at a salary of \$ _____, effective start date to be determined;

J. Approval of Professional (WAEA) Transfer for School Year 2026-27

Consideration of approval for the transfer of Anjanette Cole, **from** Rock L. Butler Middle School Special Education Teacher **to** ELA 5th Grade Teacher at Rock L. Butler Middle School, effective August 17, 2026;

K. Approval of Professional Hires (WAEA) for School Year 2026-27

Consideration of approval for the following professional hires:

1. Jaimie E. Stettler, as Rock L. Butler Middle School Special Education Teacher, Step #13, Masters, at a salary of \$79,211, effective start date of August 17, 2026; pending receipt of three (3) updated clearances and updated Mandated Reporter Training certificate;
2. Kaylena Payne, as Charlotte Lappla Special Education Teacher, Step #2, Bachelors, at a salary of \$60,431 pending PA certification (pending emergency certification with educational obligation), effective start date of August 17, 2026;

L. Approval of Hire of Four (4) WASD Student Workers for School Year 2025-26 & 2026-27

Consideration of approval for the hire of four (4) WASD student workers for School Year 2025-26 and 2026-27 (Tech Help), (Audio Visual Help) (Buildings & Grounds Help) Payrate for student help is \$16.00 per hour.

Lauren West (Tech Help)	July 6 – August 14, 2026
Eva Wheatley (AV Help)	June 12 – June 30, 2027
Maxwell Mascho (Buildings & Grounds Help)	June 8 – August 7, 2026
John Albrecht (Buildings & Grounds Help)	June 8 – August 7, 2026

3. CURRICULUM

A. Approval of Professional Development Time

Consideration of approval for math curriculum writing professional development time completed by August 17, 2026, paid at the rate of \$38.00 per hour for up to ten (10) hours for the following teachers:

Charissa Mascho	Shari Macias	Annette Nuss	Mary Jane Freeman
Brenda Brought	Heather McCabe	Carla VanNess	Matt Perry
Becky Rawson	John Cherepko	Dan Long	Lew Brill
Barbara West			

B. Approval of Professional Development Time

Consideration of approval for professional development for Jim Reifer to support curriculum development in carpentry, electrical, plumbing, masonry, and related construction trades (Task Grid CIP 46.9999). This work is intended to better prepare students for entry into the Construction industry. Funding will be provided through EITC at a rate of \$38.00 per hour for up to 40 hours, to be completed prior to August 17, 2026. All professional development must be approved by administration.

C. Approval of QBS Safety Care Team Initial Training and/or Recertification

Consideration of approval for QBS Safety Care Team Initial Training and/or Recertification funded through up to the sum of \$5,000 for the summer training. Teachers will be paid in accordance with their respective Collective Bargaining Agreement (\$38.00 per hour and paraprofessionals will be paid in accordance with their respective Collective Bargaining Agreement (\$16.00 per hour)

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XI. Public Comment – Residents must first state clearly their full name and address. They will be allowed no more than five (5) minutes to state their concern to the Board. Allegations regarding students or teacher are to be provided to the Administrators. They are not to be discussed in public. Speakers may be held liable for untrue statements.

XII. Adjournment

ITEMS OF INFORMATION:

1. Conference Reports
2. Interview Schedules