

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING #23

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026

CENTRAL OFFICE

6:30 P.M.

RE: Meeting Notice

*The Hampshire County Board of Education will meet in regular session on Monday, May 18, 2026,
at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Office*

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May 18, 2026

George R. Collett, Superintendent

President Morgan will call the meeting to order at _____ p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

MISSION STATEMENT: All Hampshire County students will make continuous progress toward mastering the essential curriculum and achieving at their highest potential.

Roll Call by Superintendent Collett

Mr. Ed Morgan	_____	(06-30-2026)
Mr. George Lease, II	_____	(06-30-2028)
Mrs. Corena Mongold	_____	(06-30-2026)
Ms. Kim Poland	_____	(06-30-2026)
Mrs. Kathy Jeffreys	_____	(06-30-2028)

I. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the agenda.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

II. APPEARANCES:

Those wishing to address the Board must sign-up to speak ten (10) minutes before the regular Board meeting begins (6:20 p.m.)

Please note: "Speakers are asked to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy of others who may be affected by your comments. While it is not our intent to stifle public comment, speakers should be aware that if your statements violate the rights of others under the law of defamation or invasion of privacy, you may be held legally responsible. If you are unsure of the legal ramifications of what you are about to say, we urge you to consult first with your legal advisor."

III. BUDGET HEARING:

Public comments on the fiscal year 2027 proposed budget

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the May 4, 2026, Board of Education minutes.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the following consent agenda items for finance:

Bills to be paid

Budget Revisions

Transfer between funds

Treasurer's Report

Declare Mitel phone system as surplus property

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

B. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the following consent agenda items for personnel:

Note: The Superintendent's nominees to fill posted vacancies are subject to change upon withdrawal of a nominee after this agenda was prepared and prior to the board meeting.

1. Transfer and Employment of Professional Personnel:

For the 25.26 school year:

- a. Substitute Teacher (P26-001-46)
- b. Speech Pathologist (P26-001-48)

- c. Countywide Substitute Nurse (P26-001-81)
- d. Countywide Physical Therapist (P26-001-112)

For the 26.27 school year:

- e. Countywide Art Teacher (P27-001-05)
- f. Countywide Art Teacher (P27-001-06)
- g. **Employ Brooke VanMeter as Countywide Music Teacher (P27-001-07) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- h. English Teacher at Romney Middle (P27-402-13)
- i. Math Teacher at Romney Middle (P27-402-14)
- j. Science Teacher at Romney Middle (P27-402-15)
- k. **Employ Donathon Kesner as Special Education Teacher at Romney Middle (P27-402-17) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- l. Special Education Teacher at Romney Middle (P27-402-18)
- m. Special Education Teacher at Romney Middle (P27-402-19)
- n. Art Teacher at Hampshire High (P27-501-20)
- o. Special Education Teacher at Hampshire High (P27-501-24)
- p. Special Education/Alternative Education Teacher at Hampshire High (P27-501-25)
- q. Music Teacher at Hampshire High (P27-501-26)
- r. Part Time Special Education Teacher at Ice Mountain Elementary (210-30)
- s. Special Education Teacher at Windy Ridge Elementary (211-34)
- t. Special Education Teacher at Windy Ridge Elementary (211-35)
- u. Art Teacher at Capon Bridge Middle (401-37)
- v. Physical Education Teacher at Hampshire High (501-39)
- w. Science Teacher/Welding Instructor at Hampshire High (501-40)
- x. Special Education Teacher at Hampshire High (501-41)
- y. Special Education Teacher at Hampshire High (501-42)
- z. Countywide School Nurse (001-44)
- aa. Kindergarten Teacher at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-45)
- bb. Special Education Teacher at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-46)
- cc. Special Education Teacher at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-47)
- dd. Preschool/Special Needs Teacher at South Branch Elementary (212-50)
- ee. Special Education Teacher at South Branch Elementary (212-51)
- ff. Mathematics Teacher at Romney Middle (402-52)
- gg. English Teacher at Hampshire High (501-54)
- hh. English Teacher at Hampshire High (501-55)
- ii. Grade 2 Teacher at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-56)
- jj. Grade 3 Teacher at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-57)
- kk. Grade 5 Teacher at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-58)
- ll. **Transfer Lindsey Olden from Grade 5 Teacher at South Branch Elementary to Kindergarten Teacher at South Branch Elementary (212-59) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- mm. **Transfer Sharon Gresham from Grade 3 Teacher at Ice Mountain Elementary to Grade 3 Teacher at South Branch Elementary (212-60) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- nn. Physical Education/Health/Driver's Education Teacher at Hampshire High (501-61)

2. Resignation and Retirement of Professional Personnel:

- a. **Approve the resignation of Ashley Ruckman as Grade 1 Teacher at South Branch Elementary effective June 30, 2026.**
- b. **Approve the resignation of Diana Murphy as Substitute Teacher effective May 29, 2026.**
- c. **Approve the retirement of Julie Wilson as Pre-School Special Needs Teacher at South Branch Elementary effective June 30, 2026.**
- d. **Approve the resignation of Bruce Devine as Substitute Teacher for Hampshire County Schools effective June 4, 2026.**

3. Transfer and Employment of Service Personnel:

For the 25.26 school year:

- a. Countywide Substitute Aide (S26-001-40)
- b. Countywide Substitute Cook (S26-001-41)
- c. **Employ Matthew Arnold as Countywide Substitute Custodian (S26-001-42) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**

- d. Countywide Substitute Secretary (S26-001-43)
- e. Substitute School Bus Operator (S26-001-44)

For the 26.27 school year:

- f. Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide at Capon Bridge Middle (401-14)
- g. **Transfer Sherri Hesse from Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide at Capon Bridge Elementary to Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-36) effective for the 2026-2027**
- h. **Reemploy Ashley Anderson as School Secretary at South Branch Elementary (212-37) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- i. **Transfer Corey Friel from Custodian at Hampshire High to Custodian at Hampshire High (501-38) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- j. **Reemploy Robert Shelley as School Bus Operator for Route HH7 (001-39) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- k. **Transfer Jacob King from School Bus Operator for Route CB10 to School Bus Operator for Route CB6 (001-40) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**
- l. **Reemploy Robert Gardner as School Bus Operator for Route SB10 (001-41) effective for the 2026-2027 school year.**

4. Resignation and Retirement of Service Personnel:

5. Transfer and Employment of Extracurricular Personnel:

For the 25.26 school year:

- a. Countywide English Language Support Teacher (X26-001-12)
- b. Countywide Homebound Teacher (X26-001-27)
- c. Assistant Softball Coach at Hampshire High (X26-501-61)

For the 26.27 school year:

- d. Head Volleyball Coach at Capon Bridge Middle (401-01)
- e. Assistant Volleyball Coach at Capon Bridge Middle (401-02)
- f. Head Boys Basketball Coach at Romney Middle (402-03)
- g. Assistant Wrestling Coach at Hampshire High (501-04)
- h. Assistant Football Coach at Hampshire High (501-05)
- i. **Employ Leigh Connell, Allyson Hambleton, Kelly Monroe, Rebecca Rhett, Stephaine Shanholtz and Christian Shank as Summer Learning Tutor (001-06) effective May 20, 2026.**
- j. **Employ Erin Surber as ESY Special Education Teacher (001-07) effective May 20, 2026.**
- k. ESY Special Education Teacher (001-08)
- l. **Approve Sherri Lear as ESY Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide (001-09) effective May 20, 2026.**
- m. **Employ Donna McCarty as ESY Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide (001-10) effective May 20, 2026.**
- n. **Employ Teresa Feller as ESY Speech Therapist (001-11) effective May 20, 2026.**
- o. ESY Occupational Therapist (001-12)
- p. ESY Physical Therapist (001-13)

6. Resignation of Extracurricular Personnel:

- a. **Approve the resignation of Carlina Sardo as Assistant Volleyball Coach for Hampshire High effective May 11, 2026.**
- b. **Approve the resignation of Kelly Largent as Head Cheerleading Coach at Capon Bridge Middle effective May 14, 2026.**

7. Other:

- a. **Permission to post for Summer Tutor using CSI funds at Capon Bridge Elementary.**

8. Volunteers:

- A. **Capon Bridge Elementary: Christopher Aslaksen, Stuart Davis**

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

VI. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the following revision to Policy 4015 – Personal Leave Donation Program: add “(one day per individual recipient)” to 1.2 “A donor employee may transfer up to five (5) days of accumulated personal leave days per year to a recipient employee who is not the spouse of the donor employee”.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

B. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the Memorandum of Agreement regarding Communities in Schools.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

C. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Kanawha and Hampshire County schools for the continuation of virtual education.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

D. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the addition of West Virginia Code BOE Policy 1461 as a legal reference to Policy 4080 Drug Free Workplace.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

E. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

F. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve revisions to Policy 2008 – Parent Engagement (the only change being the word “involvement” to the word “engagement”).

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

G. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the first reading of Policy 3030 – Retention including Third Grade Success Act – Promotion/Retention/Exemptions. (This policy will replace the county’s current Policy 3030 as it has completely changed.)

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

H. Superintendent Collett will recommend that Board members approve the corrective deed from Hampshire County Board of Education to Divine Discoveries Hub, Inc.

_____ made a motion _____ seconded the motion

Passed: Yes _____ No _____

VII. OTHER:

Update on school buses

Update on improvements with bond funds

VIII. UPCOMING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS:

A. Monday, June 1, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting.
Location: Central Office in Augusta.

B. Thursday, June 25, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting.
Location: Central Office in Augusta.

Adjourned at _____