

**Hazleton Area Board of Education
Regular Monthly School Board Meeting
Hazleton Area School District
PUBLIC MEETING**

**Hazleton Area Career Center – Large Group Instruction Room
5:00 P.M., Thursday, March 26, 2026**

A - Call to Order by Board President

B - Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

C - Attendance Roll Call

D - Announcement of Executive Sessions:

- February 26, 2026 – Contract Negotiations
- March 18, 2026 – Contract Negotiations & Property Acquisition
- March 19, 2026 – Contract Negotiations, Litigation, Personnel & Tax Appeals
- March 26, 2026 – Litigation, Personnel, & Property Acquisition

E - Public Comment Directed to Board on Agenda Items Only

F - Student Representative – Troy Gaydos

G - Approve Board Meeting Minutes:

- Regular Monthly School Board Meeting – February 26, 2026 **(ITEM REMOVED)**

H - Treasurer Report for February, 2026 **(APPROVED)**

- Honor Winter Sports Athletes
- Mock Trail Recognition

Curriculum & Instruction / Career Center

Approve Items 1-14 With One Motion (APPROVED)

1. Recommend Board approve Patrick Sharkey, HAHS Assistant Principal, to complete 350 internship hours with Dr. Patte and Dr. Uplinger as part of obtaining his Superintendent Letter of Eligibility through Delaware Valley University.
2. Recommend Board approve Kimberly Kringe, HEMS teacher, to accept a classroom grant in the amount of \$290.60 from the PA Association of School Retirees Luzerne/Wyoming Chapter.
3. Recommend Board approve Mark Vital, HTELC teacher and Liberty University PHD Candidate, to distribute an electronic survey to teachers as part of his dissertation research. The study is titled *A Quantitative Correlational Study of the Transformational Leadership Practice of Individualized Consideration and Burnout Among Educators in Urban Primary Schools*.
4. Recommend Board approve Amazon AVP1 to come to the Hazleton Area High School on Tuesday, March 31, 2026 for a presentation geared toward 11th and 12th grade female students. The title of this program is *Breaking Barriers: Changing Perspectives on Women in Leadership*.
5. Recommend Board approve the rental services from deciBel Productions LLC for the audio and video equipment to be used at the 2026 HASD Senior Graduation Ceremony at a total cost of \$15,450.00.

6. Recommend Board approve the rentals from Mountain Productions LLC for the stage equipment to be used at the 2026 HASD Senior Graduation Ceremony at a total cost of \$19,395.03.
7. Recommend Board approve the Chapter 339 K-12 Guidance Plan and 2025-2026 Guidance Program.
8. Recommend Board approve Eileen Perchak, Collaborative Autism Movement, to coordinate a district wide T-shirt sale & dress-down fundraiser during the month of April to raise funds for the scholarship program with Unified Sports in memory of Kim Chipelski-Platek. The T-shirts would be worn on April 22, 2026 to show support. Staff can also choose to donate \$5 to dress-down on April 22nd in support of Autism Awareness if they do not wish to purchase a T-shirt.
9. Recommend Board approve the payment of a \$100.00 deposit to The da Vinci Science Center on behalf of the Hazleton Area Cyber Academy to reserve their field trip date of May 8, 2026. A follow-up payment of the trip to pay the balance will follow at a cost to be determined in April. *
10. Recommend Board approve the following students to complete required university/college observations/student teaching within the district:
 - a. Michael David Marcus – Penn State University
 - b. Kathleen Andrade – LCCC
 - c. Eric Swiech – GCU
 - d. Kelly Smith – Commonwealth University
 - e. Christine Teter – GCU
 - f. Ashley Marino – GCU
 - g. Jordan Woitko – GCU
 - h. Makayla Zamonas – Commonwealth University
 - i. Ashley Spock – Misericordia University
 - j. Tyler Bird – King's College*
 - k. Emmitt Yost –King's College*
 - l. Nicole Spohr – University of Phoenix *
11. Recommend Board approve Hiboni Balbuena Marte to conduct a collection drive at the Hazleton Area Academy of Sciences and Hazleton Area Arts & Humanities Academy to collect items for Ruth's Place Women's Shelter. *
12. Recommend Board approve the purchase of a Singer conveyor dishwasher to include installation for the Hazleton Area Career Center in the amount of \$60,367.34. The dishwasher will be purchased from the 2025-2026 Perkins Grant monies. Pricing as per COSTARS # 4400032152.
13. Recommend Board approve professional development activities from Dr. Robert Mauro, retired CTE director and Superintendent, for the Career and Technical teachers for the 2026-2027 school year. The professional development days will be at a cost of \$500.00 per day not to exceed 6 sessions. The cost will be budgeted from the Perkins grant.
14. Recommend Board approve a Precision Machine night class for employees of Henkel Group (formally Dial Corporation) beginning April 7, 2026 at a cost of \$300.00 per adult. Mr. Joe Chicaese will be the instructor and be paid at the HAEA contracted rate of \$40.00/hour not to exceed 30 hours. The class would run for 10 weeks from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. *

FYI

- The HACC staff and students collected nearly \$2,000.00 for the Hazleton Animal Shelter. The donations were picked up on Thursday, March 12, 2026.
- NOCTI Performance testing will be April 14, 15, and 16, 2026
- NOCTI Written test will be April 21, 22, and 23, 2026.
- The 2025-2026 Supplemental grant award is \$183,697.88. The grant was written for equipment for the following Career and Technical programs: Construction, Automotive, Collision Repair, HVAC, Electrical, Precision Machine, Computer Aided Drafting and Culinary Arts. The purchases will be on the April School Board agenda for approval.

* Not on Committee Meeting Agenda

Special Education, English Language Development (ELD), Federal Programs & Alternative Education

Approve Items 15-19 With One Motion (APPROVED)

15. Recommend Board approve the installation of carpeting at the Hazleton Area Academy North (Oblates) by Bonomo's Carpet & Floor Covering in the amount of \$13,000.00. Paid by Early Intervention state funds. (Lowest of 3 quotes) *
16. Recommend Board approve Frank's Lock Service Inc. to replace locks at the Hazleton Area Academy North (Oblates) in the amount of \$5,210.00. Paid by Early Intervention state funds. *
17. Recommend Board approve Robinson's Painting Inc. to paint office & classroom spaces at the Hazleton Area Academy North (Oblates) in the amount of \$6,000.00. Paid by Early Intervention state funds. *
18. Recommend Board approve the renewal of a 2-year (2026-2028) license subscription for Imagine Learning Math Facts, Language and Literacy, and MyPath Reading/Math, to be paid annually in the amount of \$215,487.50, to Imagine Learning LLC, from the following grants: Title I, Title IV, CSI, and Ready to Learn.
19. Recommend Board approve the renewal of Keyboarding Without Tears licenses for K-5th grade for the 2026-2027 school year in the amount of \$19,532.50, to be paid to No Tears Learning from Title I, Title III, Title IV, and CSI funds.

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Security

Approve Items 20-21 With One Motion (APPROVED)

20. Recommend Board appoint Ezequiel Mayi Hernandez to the position of Seasonal Security Officer. Salary and benefits as per SPFPA contract. (Pending paperwork) (Replacement and budgeted)

21. Recommend Board appoint Rosa Reyes Sosa to the position of Cafeteria Monitor. Salary and benefits as per SPFPA contract. (Pending paperwork) (Replacement and budgeted)

Nutrition & Transportation

Approve Items 22-25 With One Motion (APPROVED ALL EXCEPT ITEM NO. 23o REMOVED FROM AGENDA)

22. Recommend Board approve the cafeteria transfers-new hires as listed below. These are all open positions and rate is based on the HAESPA contract:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Type</u>
a. Lissette Polanco	HEMS	5.0	Transfer
b. Daihanny Peralta	MMEMS	5.0	Transfer
c. Luissanna Morel Vargas	HAHS	5.5	Transfer *
d. James Villano	HAAS	5.0	Transfer *

23. Recommend Board approve the following lunch sites and employees to work the Summer Lunch Food Service Program: * **(REVISED ITEM)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Job</u>	<u>Hrs.</u>
a. Susan Chippi	MMEMS	Part-time Manager	6.25
b. Jillian Major	MMEMS	Cafe Worker	5.0
c. Sheila Scott	MMEMS	Cafe Worker	5.0
d. Jill Zapotosky	MMEMS	Cafe Worker	5.0
e. Margaret Balicki	MMEMS	Cafe Worker	5.0
f. Terri Gleim	James St. & Garden Apartments	Site Supervisor	4.0
g. Carolyn Longenberger	Beech St. & Pine St.	Site Supervisor	4.0
h. Lisa Smith	Freeland Village & Freeland Park	Site Supervisor	4.0
i. Lori Williams	Whispering Willows & Butler. Rec.	Site Supervisor	4.0
j. Jennifer Rodgers	Floater/Laurel Mall	Site Supervisor	3.0-5.0
k. Bree Ann Pohida	n/a	Driver/Delivery	4.5
l. Stacey Tulanowski	n/a	Driver/Delivery	4.5
m. Eri Winkler	n/a	Driver/Delivery	4.5
n. Rena Bicking	n/a	Substitute	As needed
o. Danielle Bucher	n/a	Substitute	As needed
(ITEM REMOVED FROM AGENDA)			
p. Rose Serrano	n/a	Substitute	As needed
q. Rebecca Coombs	n/a	Substitute	As needed
r. Yesenia Otero	n/a	Substitute	As needed
s. Angela Salko	n/a	Substitute	As needed
t. Margaret Mead	n/a	Substitute	As needed

24. Recommend Board approve the purchase of a Duke hot food serving counter for West Hazleton Elementary/Middle School from Nova Equipment and Supplies in the amount of \$12,489.24. Pricing as per COSTARS Contract # 036-E22-037. (Lowest of 3 quotes) *
25. Recommend Board approve contracted van drivers provided by Krise Transportation Services for the 2025-2026 school year.

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FYI

- All Driver and Route information is on file and available for review in the Transportation-Routing Department.

Facilities & Capital Projects

Approve Items 26-42 With One Motion (APPROVED)

26. Recommend Board approve the purchase of wax and stripper for summer cleaning in the amount of \$53,532.00. The supplies will be purchased through LJC Distributors. Pricing as per COSTARS #005-E22-182.
27. Recommend Board appoint Damaris Vargas to the position of Full-time Custodian, MMEMS. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) (Transfer)
28. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Ronald Kmetz, MKEMS Maintenance, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on February 26, 2026. *
29. Recommend Board appoint Ronald Kmetz to the position of Full-time Maintenance, MMEMS. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) (Transfer)
30. Recommend Board appoint Corey Zanolini to the position of Full-time Head Custodian, HACC. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) (Transfer)
31. Recommend Board appoint Anthony Corrado to the position of Full-time Head Custodian, VEMS. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) (Transfer)
32. Recommend Board appoint Heather Lindsey to the position of Full-time Custodian Floater. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted)

33. Recommend Board appoint Christine Sereta to the position of Full-time Head Custodian, HTEMS. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) (Transfer) **(REVISED ITEM)**
34. Recommend Board appoint Sandra Sanchez to the position of Full-time Custodian, WHEMS. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) *
35. Recommend Board appoint Robert Kiddish to the position of Full-time Maintenance, MKEMS. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) * **(REVISED ITEM)**
36. Recommend Board appoint Connor Sharkey to the position of Full-time Custodian Floater. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) *
37. Recommend Board rescind item no. 32 approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on February 26, 2026:

Recommend Board approve the purchase of an Electric Scissor Lift model Skyjack SJ 3226E 25' lift from Action Lift in the amount of \$19,230.83. Lowest of three quotes.
38. Recommend Board approve the purchase of an Electric Scissor Lift model 2006 Skyjack SJ3226E from Partner Rentals in the amount of \$19,150.22. Lowest of three quotes.
39. Recommend Board approve the title change and revised job description of the Supervisor of District Sports Facilities & Grounds to the Assistant Director of Athletic Facilities & Grounds.
40. Recommend Board approve the revised Maintenance Department (Facilities) Organizational Chart.
41. Recommend Board approve the employment agreement with John Tunnessen, Assistant Director of Athletic Facilities & Grounds. Pending approval by The Slusser Law Firm.
42. Recommend Board approve Energy Technologies to install a new AO Smith 399,000 btu natural gas fired hot water heater in the amount of \$24,265.00 at the Hazleton Area Academy of Sciences. Lowest of 5 quotes.

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Technology

Approve Items 43-45 With One Motion (APPROVED)

43. Recommend Board appoint Eric Shenyo to the position of Broadcast & Event Technician. Salary and benefits as per the HAEA agreement.

44. Recommend Board approve sale of surplus computers to Sycamore Sustainable Electronics Recycling. Estimated amount to be received for the surplus is \$7,951.00. Amount is contingent on equipment list accuracy, unit inspection, and removal from a functional environment. Sale will include NAID AAA-Certified data destruction and R2v3-Certified electronics recycling.
45. Recommend Board approve the purchase of 25 HP Fortis G10 Chromebooks with Google Management Console Licenses for use at the Hazleton Area Career Center at a cost of \$7,000.00. Vendor is Riverside Technologies Inc. Pricing as per TIPS Contract #220105. Funded for out of the Perkins grant.

FYI

- Homebound Student Report

Student Activities, Athletics & Extra-Curricular

Approve Items 46-49 With One Motion (APPROVED)

46. Recommend Board approve the resignations of the following coaches:
 - a. Robert Barron – Head Coach Varsity Bowling
 - b. Alexandra Laporte – Varsity Assistant Cheerleading Coach
 - c. Elizabeth Pcolinsky – Volunteer Assistant Cheerleading Coach
 - d. Brian Sones – Head Coach Freeland Girls Basketball
 - e. Jarred Maylath – Assistant Coach Freeland Girls Basketball
47. Recommend Board appoint the following coaches:
 - a. Elizabeth Grohol – Assistant Coach Boys Tennis
 - b. Andrew Novrocki – Volunteer Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Track and Field
 - c. Melia Molinaro – Volunteer Assistant Coach Jr. High Softball *
 - d. Jennifer Surmick – Volunteer Assistant Coach Middle School Girls Track and Field *
48. Recommend Board approve the following coaching position changes:
 - a. Chase Petrilyak from Middle School Baseball Assistant Coach to Head Coach
 - b. Francisco Mendoza from Middle School Baseball Head Coach to Assistant Coach
49. Recommend approve the Riddell Quote in the amount of \$25,466.00 for advance season sale pricing for Football Uniforms. Pricing as per COSTARS # 037-E24-056.

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Finance

Approve Items 50-69 With One Motion (APPROVED)

50. Recommend Board approve Property Tax Refunds.

51. Recommend Board approve Surplus List.
52. Recommend Board approve the purchase of (27) AED Batteries from School Health Corporation in the amount of \$11,380.59. *
53. Recommend Board approve the Takeover Agreement between the Hazleton Area School District and Colonial Surety Company. *
54. Recommend Board approve the 2026-2027 Renewal Contract with Nutrition Inc. as the Food Service Management Company with HASD for the fifth (5th) year of a five (5) year agreement. *
55. Sealed bids and/or request for proposals (RFP's) will be received by Mr. Robert J. Krizansky, Board Secretary / Business Manager, Hazleton Area School District, 1515 West 23rd Street, Hazle Township, Pennsylvania 18202-1647, until 11:00 A.M. E.S.T., Thursday, January 29, 2026, for the following: *
 - 1) Contracted Student Transportation Routes – Regular Education 2026-2031 RFP
 - 2) Contracted Transportation for Early Intervention Services 2026-2031 RFP
56. Recommend Board approve the following Tax Collector: *
 - a. Alexis Kreisl as West Hazleton Tax Collector, effective 1/1/2026 for a 2-year term.
57. Recommend Board approve the annual renewal of TimeClock Plus Annual Software Support & Maintenance (includes support & upgrades) for the period of 4/28/2026 – 4/27/2027 in the amount of \$11,865.67. *
58. Recommend Board approve the Stipulation to Settle Tax Appeal and Settlement Order in connection with the following:
 - a. Mountain City Re Group, LLC vs. Board of Assessment Appeals of Luzerne County, Docket No. 2022-11074
 - b. Recommend Board approve the PILOT Agreement between Centurion Foundation Lehigh Valley, LLC c/o The Centurion Foundation, Inc. and the Hazleton Area School District. *
 - c. Lineage PA Hazelton RE LLC vs. Luzerne County Board of Assessment Appeals, Docket Nos. 2022-10915, 2022-10917, 2022-10916 *
59. Recommend Board approve ICS/CMTA/KCBA to develop the project utilizing the GESA for the Laurel Mall fit outs for Unit #37 and Unit #38. This effort has already begun pro bono and once the final costs are known, an Amendment will be presented to the School Board for their consideration.
60. Recommend Board approve the proposal from Barry Isett & Associates at the HASD Tennis Court Concessions Building for Special Inspections and Construction Materials Testing. Project No. 1083923.220. The estimated cost of services is \$25,322.50.
61. Recommend Board approve the purchase of the Builders Risk Policy from Risk Strategies / Joyce Insurance Group for the following projects:
 - a. FEMS Addition / Renovation & Site Improvements – Total Premium \$16,574.00

62. Recommend Board approve as per procedure #29 of the rental policy to waive the rental fee for Lady Cougars Field Hockey Booster Club for the purpose of having a field hockey clinic on Mondays and Wednesdays in May 2026 at the Harman-Geist Stadium.
63. Recommend Board approve as per procedure #29 of the rental policy to waive the rental fee for Boys High School Basketball Team for the purpose of hosting a youth basketball camp Tuesday, June 9, 2026 - Friday, June 12, 2026 from 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. at the Hazleton Area High School Gymnasium. *
64. Recommend Board accept the following Award – Grant: *
- a. Pasco L. Schiavo Memorial Charitable Fund – Grant – Fueling Brains – 2 of 3
 - b. Schuylkill County Fire Chiefs Association – HAHS – Award – Graduating Senior Student – Check No. 1048 *
65. Recommend Board approve the summer 4-day work week schedule for 2026 and attached employee Memorandum of Understandings.
66. Recommend Board accept the below dividend checks from Utica National:
- a. Package – Check No. 0000193012– \$29,087.75
 - b. Auto – Check No. 0000193061 – \$2,662.15
67. Recommend Board approve budget transfer of funds for the payment to ZEROEYES Weapon Detection Service plan as approved at the February 26, 2026 meeting.

	<u>DEBIT</u> (To Acct)	<u>CREDIT</u> (From Acct)
10.2660.650.000.00.120.000	\$158,976.00	
10.4600.450.000.00.120.000		\$158,976.00

68. Recommend Board approve the budget transfer for a portion of the Lead on Team presentation at Valley Elementary/Middle School to be paid with Title III funds:

	<u>DEBIT</u> (To Acct)	<u>CREDIT</u> (From Acct)
10.3300.329.471.30.260.000	\$3,745.29	
10.1190.650.471.10.250.000		\$1,196.14
10.1190.650.471.10.260.000		\$2,549.15

69. Recommend Board approve the budget transfer for the purchase of window tint for Holy Family Academy to be paid with Title IV-BSCA funds:

	<u>DEBIT</u> (To Acct)	<u>CREDIT</u> (From Acct)
10.2660.611.431.10.520.406	\$3,534.30	
10.1500.329.431.10.520.406		\$2,148.68
10.1500.646.431.10.520.406		\$1,385.62

70. Bills: **(APPROVED)**

- a. Law Offices of Angela J. Evans
 - Professional Services – Invoice No. 3986 – \$558.00
 - Professional Services – Invoice No. 3988 – \$54.00
- b. KCBA Architects, Inc.
 - Professional Services – Project No. 0269205 – New Elementary School – Invoice No. 49647 – \$247,628.59 (General Fund)
 - Professional Services – Project No. 0269204 – Freeland E/M School Addition/Renovation – Invoice No. 49645 – \$14,327.59 (General Fund)
- c. BDA Architects –
 - Field House Fit-Out – Project No. 25023.00 – Invoice No. 17836 – \$138,040.00 (General Fund) *
- d. ICS Consulting, LLC.
 - HASD GESA Phase 3 – Project No. S25007 – Pay App No. 011 – \$125,562.90 (Fund 90)
 - HASD GESA Phase 3 – Project No. S25007 – Pay App No. 012 – \$36,466.20 (Fund 90)
 - HASD GESA Phase 3a – Project No. S25031 – Pay App. No. 007 – \$265,956.16 (Fund 90)
 - HASD GESA Phase 3a – Project No. S25031 – Pay App. No. 008 – \$113,142.38 (Fund 90)
 - HASD GESA Phase 3b – Project No. S25047 – Pay App. No. 007 – \$51,478.47 (Fund 51)
 - HASD GESA Phase 3b – Project No. S25047 – Pay App. No. 008 – \$4,860.00 (Fund 51)
 - HASD GESA Phase 4 – Project No. S25079 – Pay App. No. 002 – \$105,519.83 (Fund 90)
 - HASD GESA Phase 4 – Project No. S25079 – Pay App. No. 003 – \$115,854.30 (Fund 90)
- e. General Fund **(2025-2026)**
 - Activities – \$32,810.98
 - Athletics – \$34,743.73
 - Cafeteria – \$46,543.52
 - Tax Refunds – \$3,510.45
 - Weekly – \$4,392,246.74
 - Monthly – \$440,281.62

* Not on Committee Meeting Agenda

FYI

Treasurer Report **(2025-2026)**

Investment Report

Student Activities

Rental Requests

Outstanding Rental Balances

Budget Reports (2025-2026)

a. Revenue Report

b. Expenditure Report

c. Expense Report by Object

Superintendent of Schools

Approve Items 71-82 With One Motion (APPROVED)

71. Recommend Board approve the attached conference request list.
72. Recommend Board approve the attached school functions request list.
73. Recommend Board approve the attached substitute list.
74. Recommend Board approve the Industry Fast Track & Dual Enrollment Agreement between Johnson College and the Hazleton Area High School. (Approved by the Slusser Law Firm)
75. Recommend Board approve the Affiliation Agreement between the State System of Higher Education Pennsylvania Western University and the Hazleton Area School District. (Approved by the Slusser Law Firm)
76. Recommend Board approve the district participation in the “PJs for Paws” fundraiser for the Luzerne County Sheriff’s Department. Participating students would donate \$1.00 to wear pajama pants to school on May 15, 2026. Funds raised support the Explosives Detection K9 Unit within the Sheriff’s Department. Participating schools will receive a visit from the K9 during the 2026-2027 school year as a thank you for their support.
77. Recommend Board approve a dress down day as a part of a fundraiser for the girls’ lacrosse team in support of Morgan’s Message which is an organization that spreads awareness about student athlete mental health. The dress down would take place on April 9, 2026 and the cost to participate would be \$2.00/person.
78. Recommend Board approve the Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures & Use of Funds between the Luzerne Intermediate Unit and the Hazleton Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year. The policies and procedures are implemented to fulfill the requirements of 22 PA Code Chapter 14 and regulatory requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act – Part B.
79. Recommend Board approve the Co-Op Sports request from Weatherly Area School District for their student’s to participate in HASD varsity/junior varsity football beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.
80. Recommend Board approve the PA Pre-K Counts Formal Agreement between the Greater Wyoming Valley Area YMCA and the Hazleton Area School District. (Approved by The Slusser Law Firm)
81. Recommend Board approve the Resolution Supporting Legislative Action to Reform Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) Playoff Structure. (Approved by The Slusser Law Firm)
82. Recommend Board approve the following revised policies:
 - a. 123 – Interscholastic Athletics
 - b. 349 – Anti-Bullying
 - c. 904 – Public Attendance at School Events

Approve Items 83-101 With One Motion (APPROVED)

83. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Jasannia Cuello, Paraprofessional, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on November 25, 2025.
84. Recommend Board approve a leave for GAV008, HAEA, effective March 4, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act.
85. Recommend Board approve a leave for FRA011, TEAM, effective February 5, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act (intermittent).
86. Recommend Board approve a leave for FER028, HAEA, effective March 20, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act.
87. Recommend Board approve a leave for STA031, HAEA, effective April 20, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act.
88. Recommend Board approve an unpaid leave for SOT007, ESPA, effective June 27, 2026.
89. Recommend Board approve a leave for YAC006, HAEA, effective March 3, 2026, which will consist of the use of sick time.
90. Recommend Board approve a leave for WAS006, HAEA, effective March 17, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act.
91. Recommend Board approve a leave for ZAN003, HAEA, effective March 20, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act.
92. Recommend Board approve a leave for WOL004, HAEA, effective March 17, 2026, which will consist of the use of sick time.
93. Recommend Board approve a leave for ORF001, HAEA, effective February 1, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act (intermittent).
94. Recommend Board approve a leave for KOV005, HAEA, effective March 13, 2026, which will consist of the use of sick time.
95. Recommend Board approve a leave for CAR028, TEAM, effective March 20, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act (intermittent).
96. Recommend Board approve a leave for KOH003, HAEA, effective April 21, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act.
97. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee MOR019 effective February 25, 2026.
98. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee DUR009 effective March 10, 2026.
99. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee BAE005 effective March 26, 2026.
100. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee PER037 effective April 10, 2026.
101. Recommend Board terminate employment of employee BAT003 effective March 26, 2026.

Approve Items 102-109 With One Motion (APPROVED ALL EXCEPT ITEM NO. 108b, c, & d REMOVED FROM AGENDA)

102. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of Speech Therapist, Early Intervention, for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary and benefits as per HAEA Agreement: (Replacement & budgeted) (Pending certification)
- a. Elizabeth Burney
 - b. Melissa Giomboni
103. Recommend Board appoint Catherine Maleski to the position of Elementary Teacher. Salary and benefits as per HAEA Agreement. (Replacement & budgeted)
104. Recommend Board appoint Wendy Oresick to the position of Early Intervention Compliance Monitor Service Facilitator. Salary and benefits as per HAEA Agreement. (New position & budgeted) **(REVISED ITEM)**
105. Recommend Board appoint Christina Decosmo to the position of Part-time Office Assistant, VEMS. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract. (Replacement & budgeted)
106. Recommend Board appoint Jennifer Rosario to the position of Part-time Office Assistant, HTEMS. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract. (Replacement & budgeted) (Transfer)
107. Recommend Board appoint Tara Yannuzzi to the position of Full-time Financial Secretary, HTELC. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract. (Replacement & budgeted)
108. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of 6.5 hr. Paraprofessional. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract: (Replacement & budgeted) **(REVISED ITEM)**
- a. Angel Lee Cohan
 - b. _____ **(ITEM REMOVED FROM AGENDA)**
 - c. _____ **(ITEM REMOVED FROM AGENDA)**
 - d. _____ **(ITEM REMOVED FROM AGENDA)**
109. Recommend Board approve the following tenure list:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
a.	Danielle Correll	Grades PK-4; English as a Second Language (ESL) PK-12	MMEMS	August 25, 2024
b.	Kaitlyn Marhelko	Art PK-12; Grades PK-4	WHEMS	January 28, 2023
c.	Taylor Stemrich	Grades PK-4	MMEMS	August 19, 2024
d.	Arielis Williams	Art PK-12	HTELC	July 21, 2025

**** Una copia traducida de esta agenda estará disponible en la reunión de la Junta.**

Conference Request for Regular Board Approval March 26, 2026

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CONF/CLINIC/DATE</u>	<u>COST/FUND</u>
1. Victoria Kozlek HAHS	FBLA State Leadership Conference Hershey, PA 4/12-15/2026	\$635.40 (School Sponsored Activities)
2. Kevin Kesselring HAHS	FBLA State Leadership Conference Hershey, PA 4/12-15/2026	\$531.00 (School Sponsored Activities)
3. Samantha DeSpirito MKEMS	Consultation Beyond Grad School Virtual 3/19/2026	\$10.00 (Inst. Staff Dev.)
4. Samantha DeSpirito MKEMS	Strengthening Professional Resilience for School Psychologists Virtual 5/6/2026	\$10.00 (Inst. Staff Dev.)
5. Beth Barletta HTEMS	Writing the School Plan LIU 18, Kingston, PA 3/20/2026	-0-
6. Benjamin Beuhring HAHS	FBLA State Leadership Conference Hershey, PA 4/12-15/2026	\$531.00 (School Sponsored Activities)
7. Michael Gavlick HAHS	Making The Dead Come Alive: Environmental Education Workshop Summit Hill, PA 3/5/2026	-0-
8. Victoria Kozlek HAHS	CyberSecurity through Capture the Flag PaTTAN, Harrisburg, PA 3/11-12/2026	-0-
9. Rebecca Marchetti DEMS	The AAC Assessment Hub Online 3/23/2026	\$247.00 (ACCESS Funds)

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10. Tara Hoban MKEMS	Consultation Beyond Grad School Virtual 3/19/2026	\$10.00 (ACCESS Funds)
11. Tara Hoban MKEMS	Strengthening Professional Resilience for School Psychologists Virtual 5/6/2026	\$10.00 (ACCESS Funds)
12. Amy Minzola HAHS	Making The Dead Come Alive: Environmental Education Workshop Summit Hill, PA 3/5/2026	\$26.10 (Inst. Staff Dev.)
13. Heather Peregrin MMEMS	FBLA State Leadership Conference Hershey, PA 4/13-14/2026	-0-
14. Kaitlyn Herling MKEMS	Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science State College, PA 5/17-19/2026	-0-
15. Joseph DiSabella HACC	SkillsUSA State Completion Hershey, PA 4/8-10/2026	-0-
16. Debbie Kupsho HEMS	School Improvement, Networking, & Planning LIU 18, Kingston, PA 4/17/2026	\$36.25 (Office of the Principal)
17. Jason Turri HAHS	FBLA State Leadership Conference Hershey, PA 4/12-15/2026	\$531.00 (School Sponsored Activities)
18. Beth Barletta HTEMS	PAFPC Annual Conference Erie, PA 5/17-20/2026	\$1,068.00 (Title I Funds)

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19. Angela Hoffman ASES	PAFPC Annual Conference Erie, PA 5/17-20/2026	\$600.00 (Title I Funds)
20. Kimberly Scalleat HTELC	PAFPC Annual Conference Erie, PA 5/17-20/2026	\$1,699.30 (Title I Funds)
21. Allyson Trella HTEMS	PAFPC Annual Conference Erie, PA 5/17-20/2026	\$1,677.85 (Title I Funds)
22. Kathryn Bannon FEMS	PAFPC Annual Conference Erie, PA 5/17-20/2026	\$1,677.85 (CSI Funds)
23. Michelle Zukoski Admin	PAFPC Annual Conference Erie, PA 5/17-20/2026	\$1,627.85 (Title I Funds)
24. Jonathan Juka HTELC	PAFPC Annual Conference Erie, PA 5/17-20/2026	\$1,677.85 (Title I Funds)
25. Helen Rettger HAAHA	PMEA District 9 Jazz Festival Wyoming Valley West High School 4/10/2026	-0-
26. Richard Stanek HACC	SkillsUSA State Completion Hershey, PA 4/8-10/2026	-0-
27. Madison Mizenko DEMS	CO Adapted PE Conference Nathrop, CO 5/2-5/2026	\$993.55 (Inst. Staff Dev.)

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28. Robin Frask HAHS	PA Firefly Science Instructional Support Committee Hershey, PA 4/16/2026	-0-
29. Bobbi Sorber MMEMS	CO Adapted PE Conference Nathrop, CO 5/2-5/2026	\$993.55 (Inst. Staff Dev.)

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<u>School/Date</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Destination</u>
HACC:		
4/8/2026	SKILLS USA	STATE COMP, HERSHEY, PA
4/21/2026	LCC DUAL ENROLLMENT	HAYDEN ELECTRIC
3/11/2026	ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING	HAYDEN ELECTRIC
3/10/2026	UNITED BOCCE	PSU-SCHUYLKILL CAMPUS
4/8/2026	HACC	PSU HAZLETON
4/28/2026	ENVIRO. BIO	NESCOPECK STATE PARK
5/5/2026	HACC	WELDING YOUR PATH COMPETITION, SCRANTON
HAHS:		
4/13/2026	MATH CLUB	MARYWOOD UNIVERSITY
3/10/2026	MOCK TRIAL	EASTON, PA
12/4/2025	FBLA	SUGARLOAF GOLF CLUB
4/30/2026	HONORS SPANISH 3	HISPANIC SOCIETY/MUSEUM
4/12/2026	FBLA	HERSHEY(STATE COMP)
3/26/2026	BUSINESS	BLOOMSBURG UNI
3/27/2026	SCIECNE DEPT	PSU-HAZLETON
3/6/2026	SPIRIT CLUB	MCADOO-READ ACROSS AMERICA
3/31/2026	ENVIRO TEAMS	CAMP KRESGE
4/21/2026	ENVIRO TEAMS	CAMP KRESGE
5/30/2026	FRIENDS OF RACHEL CLUB	DORNEY PARK *CHARTER*
4/20/2026	CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICERS	DA VINCI SCIENCE CENTER/BODYWORKS, ALLENTOWN
4/23/2026	STUDENT COUNCIL	NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER, PHILADELPHIA
5/17-5/19/26	PJAS	PJAS STATE COMP.
5/26/2026	NJHS	HERSHEY PARK *CHARTER*
HAAS(STEM):		
5/22/2026	HISTORY CLUB	GETTYSBURG
4/8/2026	GIFTED	BARRY ISETT ENGINEERING , HAZLETON
3/27/2026	DISCOVERY ENGINEERING	PSU HAZLETON
4/8/2026	GIRLS IN STEM	PSU HAZLETON
HAAHA:		
3/5/2026	COMMUNITY STUDIO	KING'S COLLEGE
5/14/2026	HAAHA	PUBLIC SQUARE, WILKES-BARRE
3/3/2026	BAND	HTELC
3/4,3/5/26	BAND	CARBONDALE AREA HS
5/15/2026	MUSIC DEPT	RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
5/8/2026	CHORUS	TUNKHANNOCK INTERMEDIATE/PMEA
4/28/2026	ART STUDIO 3/4	NYC-*CHARTER*
4/18/2026	CHORUS	DOUBLETREE IN WILKES-BARRE
4/10-4/11/26	BAND	WYOMING VALLEY WEST HS
3/30/2026	BAND	DALLAS HS
3/28/2026	BAND	MARYWOOD UNI
DEMS:		
3/24/2026	CHORUS	MIOSM FEST.
FEMS:		
5/29/2026	KINDERGARTEN	HICKORY RUN STATE PARK

HTEMS:

4/9/2026 1ST GRADE
4/1/2026 1ST GRADE

KINGSTON ARMORY/CIRCUS
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MKEMS:

4/10/2026 3RD GRD BAND/CHOIR
3/24/2026 MIOSM CHOIR
3/17/2026 MIOSM BAND
3/25/2026 MARYWOOD UNI

NEPA PHILHARMONIC, FM KIRBY
MIOSM-HAHS
MIOSM-HAHS
IMAGINE X MARYWOOD UNI

VEMS:

5/5/2026 TOUR OF VILLAGE, MUSEUM
4/10/2026 GRADES 7/8TH
5/27/2026 COFFEE CART TRIP. SPE.ED.
4/30/2026 4TH GRADE

WEATHERLY, PA
CHACKOS BOWLING
PNC FIELD, MONTAGE
PIONEER TUNNEL/COAL MINE

WHEMS:

5/26,5/29/26 1ST GRADE

SPARE TIME LANES, TAMAQUA

MMEMS:

5/15/2026 7TH GRADE ART CLUB
5/1/2026 FESTA/MATTEO

PACKER MANSION, JIM THORPE
CHACKOS BOWLING, WILKES-BARRE

HACA(Cyber):

4/8/2026 7-12TH GRADES
3/27/2026 5-8TH GRADE
5/8/2026 HACA

PSU HAZLETON, PA
FREELAND YMCA
DAVINCI SCIENCE CENTER, ALLENTOWN

Board Agenda Substitute List
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Kelly Education Substitutes

Paraprofessionals-

1. Reggina Czechowski

Teachers-

1. Walter Duran
2. Lauren Miller
3. Michael Zalutko

Health Assistants (pending paperwork)

1. Dawn Vetter
2. Lisa Homanko
3. Kelly Kisenwether
4. Rebecca Graves
5. RaeAnn Lindsey