

**Hazleton Area Board of Education
Regular Monthly School Board Meeting Minutes
Hazleton Area School District
Public Meeting**

**Hazleton Area Career Center – Large Group Instruction Room
5:00 P.M., Thursday, August 27, 2026**

- A. Call to Order by Board President McBride at **5:11 P.M.**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence
- C. Attendance Roll Call

School Director	Present	Absent
Barletta	X	
Bonomo	X	
Chapman	X	
Childs	X	
McBride	X	
O'Donnell		X
Shemansky	X	
Yenkevich	X	
Yuhas, Jr.	X	

Administrator	Present	Absent
Brian Uplinger	X	
Robert Krizansky	X	
Atty. Chris Slusser	X	
Patrick Patte	X	
Danny Rodgers	X	
Anthony Lamanna	X	
Robert Mehalick	X	

- D. Announcement of Executive Sessions held as follows:

- **August 13, 2026 started at 4:30 P.M. and ended at 5:05 P.M.** – Regarding Contract Negotiations with the following Board members present: Joseph Barletta, Anthony Bonomo, James Chapman, Robert Childs, M.D. (arrived at 4:35 P.M.), Ellen McBride, Jared O'Donnell, Edward Shemansky, Carmella Yenkevich, Wister Yuhas, Jr. (via conference phone), Brian Uplinger, Patrick Patte, Daniel Rodgers, Anthony Lamanna, and Solicitor Christopher Slusser
- **August 27, 2026 started at 4:04 P.M. and ended at 5:07 P.M.** – Regarding Contract Negotiations, Litigation, and Personnel with the following Board members present: Joseph Barletta, Anthony Bonomo, James Chapman, Robert Childs, M.D. (arrived at 4:09 P.M.), Ellen McBride, Edward Shemansky, Carmella Yenkevich, Wister Yuhas, Jr., Robert Krizansky, Brian Uplinger, Patrick Patte, Daniel Rodgers, Anthony Lamanna, Robert Mehalick, Solicitor Christopher Slusser (arrived at 4:10 P.M.) and Anthony Corrado (Personnel Only) (4:04 P.M. – 4:19 P.M.)

- E. Public Comment Directed to the Board on Agenda Items Only

- Superintendent Uplinger announced that agenda item #3 was removed from the agenda
- Rick Morelli – commented on HAESPA Negotiations.
- Mary Robinson – commented on agenda item #38.
- Ashley Bahrt – commented on agenda item #38.
- Ann Vinatieri – commented on agenda item #38.

- F. Approve Board Meeting Minutes: **(APPROVED)**

- Regular Monthly School Board Meeting – August 6, 2026

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **F**

Motion: Bonomo
Second: Shemansky
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

G. Treasurer Report for July 2026 (APPROVED)

The following vote includes agenda item(s): G

Motion: Bonomo
Second: Yuhas, Jr.
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

- Superintendent Uplinger announced that agenda item #111 was removed from the agenda.

Curriculum & Instruction / Career Center

Approve Items 1-4 With One Motion (APPROVED) – EXCEPT AGENDA ITEM #3 WAS REMOVED

1. Recommend Board approve the below students to complete required observation hours/student teaching within the district: (APPROVED)
 - a. Carl Glowacki – Wilkes University
 - b. Jandri Diddon Dominguez – Commonwealth University
 - c. Megan McCawley – Commonwealth University
 - d. Lucille Penkala – Commonwealth University
 - e. Alyssa Parisis – Wilkes University
 - f. Emily Phillips – Commonwealth University
 - g. Jeffrey Derocco – Commonwealth University
 - h. Ally Wonsiewski – Commonwealth University
 - i. Darren Yost – King’s College
 - j. Rachal Mohan – Commonwealth University
 - k. Emily Hunsicker – Kutztown University
 - l. Kimmy Wissinger – Commonwealth University
 - m. Anslee DePasqua – Commonwealth University
 - n. Kristen Chong – Commonwealth University
 - o. Peter McKnight – Commonwealth University
 - p. Hailey Brosovich – Commonwealth University
 - q. Emma Hadler – Commonwealth University
 - r. Marilenny Then Lizardo – Commonwealth University

- s. Cody Medina – Commonwealth University
 - t. Kiley Huttman – Commonwealth University
 - u. Brayden Wolfe – Luzerne County Community College
 - v. Amanda Pryor – Wilkes University
2. Recommend Board approve the licensing of Edmentum's Study Island curriculum and test preparation software for use in grades 3-12. The agreement is for the 2027 and 2028 school years at a cost of \$63,940.00 each year. The term will begin 9/1/2026 and end 8/31/2028. **(APPROVED)**
 3. Recommend Board approve the school nursing department to purchase nursing supplies from School Health Corporation at a total cost of \$_____. Pricing as per COSTARS # 019-E22-053. **(ITEM REMOVED FROM AGENDA)**
 4. Recommend Board approve the purchase of a Portable Troubleshooting Learning System from Alleghany Educational Systems for Industrial Maintenance (HACC). The cost of the system is \$51,961.36 and will be paid out of the Perkins Grant. Pricing as per Amatrol PEPPM contract #548362-018. **(APPROVED)**

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **1 – 4 (EXCLUDING #3)**

Motion: Bonomo
Second: Chapman
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O'Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

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

Approve Items 5-14 With One Motion (APPROVED)

5. Recommend Board approve the contract between The JumpStart Cart and the Hazleton Area School District to provide work activities/experiences in customer service; hospitality setting to students with special needs for the 2026-2027 school year. (Approved by The Slusser Law Firm) (Renewal) **(APPROVED)**
6. Recommend Board approve the purchase of outdoor screen flex equipment from JDK to be paid for by the Early Intervention Grant in the amount of \$10,639.76. Pricing as per TIPS Contract #230301. **(APPROVED)**
7. Recommend Board approve the Internship Agreement between East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania and the Hazleton Area School District Early Intervention Program for the 2026-2027 school year. (Pending approval by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**
8. Recommend Board approve the Lease Agreement between Children's Service Center and the Hazleton Area School District Early Intervention Program for the 2026-2027 school year. (Approved by The Slusser Law Firm) (Renewal) **(APPROVED)**
9. Recommend Board approve an Interdistrict Agreement with Weatherly Area School District for the enrollment, education and services of nonresident students at agreed-upon tuition rates for the 2026-2027 school year. (Pending approval by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**

10. Recommend Board approve an Interdistrict Agreement with Northwest Area School District for the enrollment, education and services of nonresident student at agreed-upon tuition rates for the 2026-2027 school year. (Pending approval by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**
11. Recommend Board approve the contract between Operant Teaching Technologies and the Hazleton Area School District Special Education Department to provide in home behavioral services. (Renewal) (Approved by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**
12. Recommend Board approve the following list of Early Intervention employees to voluntarily work on August 31, 2026 and September 1, 2026. Employees who select to work will be compensated according to the HAEA contract: **(APPROVED)**
- a. Bernadette Finn
 - b. Candice Martin
 - c. Dawn Shebelock
 - d. Donna Kilgore
 - e. Elizabeth Burney
 - f. Ellyn Carroll
 - g. Jane Burger
 - h. Josephine Frisco
 - i. Katrina Cravy
 - j. Kaylin Derhammer
 - k. Kelly Zenex
 - l. Kim Long
 - m. Krista Galella
 - n. Lisa Bodek
 - o. Marybeth Spellman
 - p. Megan Martin
 - q. Melissa Gioboni
 - r. Michelle Opiela
 - s. Nicolette Demarco Burton
 - t. Pamela Rogers
 - u. Sarah Zapoticky
 - v. Sharon Chase
 - w. Tara Perry
 - x. Tara Yamelski
13. Recommend Board approve the Early Childhood Services Reciprocal Agreement between the Northeast Intermediate Unit 19 and the Hazleton Area School District. (Pending approval by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**
14. Recommend Board approve the agreement between Lisa Wolk, Mindfulness Educator and HASD (HAAHA) to provide Mindfulness workshops for students in the amount of \$9,925.00, to be paid to Lisa Wolk, Mindful Nest, from Title IV 26-27 funds. (Approved The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **5 - 14**

Motion: Chapman

Second: Bonomo

Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O'Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Security

Approve Items 15-18 With One Motion (APPROVED)

- 15. Recommend Board approve the hiring of Corey Zanolini as a Seasonal Security Officer, salary and benefits per SPFPA contract. (Replacement and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
- 16. Recommend Board approve the quote from TWG for the Freeland Elementary/Middle School temporary entrance in the amount of \$22,402.50. This is due to the construction being done at Freeland Elementary/Middle School. Pricing as per COSTARS # 040-E22-146. **(APPROVED)**
- 17. Recommend Board rescind item no. 45 approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on May 21, 2026: **(APPROVED)**

Recommend Board approve the annual renewal of School Gate Guardian system in the amount of \$12,872.71 from 7/1/2026 to 6/30/2027. It is budgeted and will be paid from the 2026-2027 budget.

- 18. Recommend Board approve the purchase of School Gate Guardian visitor management equipment from School Gate Guardian in the amount of \$12,872.71. It is budgeted and will be paid from the 2026-2027 budget. **(APPROVED)**

The following vote includes agenda item(s): 15 – 18

Motion: Yuhas, Jr.
Second: Bonomo
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Nutrition & Transportation

Approve Items 19-28 With One Motion (APPROVED)

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

	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Type</u>
a.	Tanya Jenkins	FEMS	4.5	New Hire
b.	Carmen Rodriguez	FEMS	4.5	New Hire

- 20. Recommend Board approve the purchase of two Vulcan Combi ovens from Singer Equipment Company for the Hazleton Area Academy of Sciences in the amount of \$41,297.24 to be paid from the cafeteria fund. Pricing as per COSTARS # 4400032152/4400032169. (Lowest of three quotes solicited) **(APPROVED)**
- 21. Recommend Board approve the purchase of two Vulcan Combi ovens from Singer Equipment Company for the Hazleton Area High School in the amount of \$41,297.68 to be paid from the cafeteria fund. Pricing as per COSTARS # 4400032152/4400032169. (Lowest of three quotes solicited) **(APPROVED)**

22. Recommend Board approve contracted school bus routes for Regular Education for the 2026-2027 school year. **(APPROVED)**
23. Recommend Board approve contracted school bus & van drivers provided by Rohrer Bus Services for the 2026-2027 school year. **(APPROVED)**
24. Recommend Board approve contracted van drivers provided by Krise Transportation for the 2026-2027 school year. **(APPROVED)**
25. Recommend Board approve contracted school bus drivers provided by Ralph Bley Busing for the 2026-2027 school year. **(APPROVED)**
26. Recommend Board approve contracted school bus drivers provided by Lex Transportation for the 2026-2027 school year. **(APPROVED)**
27. Recommend Board approve contracted school bus drivers provided by Knelly School Busing Inc. for the 2026-2027 school year. **(APPROVED)**
28. Recommend Board approve a contract between HASD and Danielle Medash for transportation to and from Valley Elementary/Middle School at the IRS mileage reimbursement rate. This will be effective for the 2026-2027 school year. **(APPROVED)**

FYI

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

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **19 - 28**

Motion: Yuhas, Jr.
Second: Bonomo
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O'Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Facilities & Capital Projects

29. Recommend Board appoint Travis Dolan to the position of Head Custodian, HTEMS. Salary and benefits as per the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 401. (Replacement and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **29**

Motion: Shemansky
Second: Chapman
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O'Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Technology

Approve Items 30-32 With One Motion (APPROVED)

30. Recommend Board approve the purchase of 110 Lenovo ThinkPad L13 laptop computers with 3 year parts and labor warranty at a cost not to exceed \$165,302.00. These are additional computers for HASD teachers. Vendor is GDC IT Solutions. Pricing as per COSTARS: 199069; SW: 006-E22-234; HW #: 003-E22-596; ITQ #: 4400026253 contract. **(APPROVED)**
31. Recommend Board approve the purchase of 9 Lenovo ThinkPad L16 laptop computers with 3 year parts and labor warranty, ThinkPad docking station, wired keyboard & mouse, and 34 inch ViewSonic monitor at a cost not to exceed \$18,936.00. These computers will be used by HASD Administration and Technology. Vendor is Staples Technology Solutions. Pricing as per Sourcewell 070924-SCC contract. **(APPROVED)**
32. Recommend Board approve the purchase of a 1-year Membership to Multi-State Information Sharing & Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) offered by Center for Internet Security Inc at a cost of \$9,995.00. The term is 10/1/2026 – 9/30/2027. The membership provides protective DNS, malicious domain blocking and reporting, and threat notifications. **(APPROVED)**

The following vote includes agenda item(s): 30 - 32

Motion: Bonomo

Second: Chapman

Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O'Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Student Activities, Athletics and Extra-Curricular

Approve Items 33-35 With One Motion (APPROVED)

33. Recommend Board approve the resignations of the following coaches: **(APPROVED)**
- a. Deanna Shimko – Head Coach Valley Girls Basketball
 - b. Thomas Sokolofski – Assistant Coach Varsity Field Hockey
34. Recommend Board appoint the following coaches: **(APPROVED)**
- a. Jordan Woitko – Assistant Coach Girls Tennis
 - b. Kendrick Ortiz Mendez – Assistant Coach Jr. High Volleyball
 - c. Randy Teter – Volunteer Assistant Coach Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country
 - d. Scott Klesh – Volunteer Assistant Coach Varsity Softball

- e. Cody Scholl – Volunteer Coach Boys and Girls Water Polo
- f. Eric Shenyo – Volunteer Coach Boys and Girls Golf
- g. Regina Tarselli – Volunteer Coach Jr. High Boys and Girls Cross Country
- h. Jillian Kringe – Volunteer Assistant Coach Varsity Field Hockey

35. Recommend the purchase of basketball uniforms for three Middle School boys’ and girls’ teams (Drums, Heights-Terrace, Hazleton) from Armwell Sports, LLC. (dba. Valley Athletic Supply) at a total cost of \$11,160.00 (\$1,860.00 per team). **(APPROVED)**

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **33 - 35**

Motion: Barletta
Second: Bonomo
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Finance

Approve Items 36-48 With One Motion (APPROVED)

36. Recommend Board approve the Property Tax Refunds. **(APPROVED)**
37. Recommend Board approve the surplus list. **(APPROVED)**
38. Recommend Board approve the additional acreage to Resolution No. 2023-09-28 between the Hazleton Area School District and CrossRoads East Business Park. (Reviewed and approved by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**
39. Recommend Board approve the Agreement between Hazleton Area School District and Michael Brugger (Independent Contractor) as the charter bus driver for the District’s events. The term of this Agreement shall begin as of September 1, 2026 and end August 31, 2027. (Reviewed and approved by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**
40. Recommend Board approve the following Repository Sale: **(APPROVED)**
- Parcel No. 9-12-0084 in East Union Township, Schuylkill County. Current Owner is Joseph Magnus & Mary Starkey. Bidder is John Kovatch. Purchase price is \$1,056.24.
 - Parcel No. 19-13-0505 in North Union Township, Schuylkill County. Current Owner is James Clement. Bidder is Valerie Krimmel. Purchase price is \$1,329.00.
41. Recommend Board approve invoice no. 38434 in the amount of \$11,566.00 from Hydro-Clean, Inc. d/b/a All Shred for shredding services. **(APPROVED)**
42. Recommend Board approve Quote No. JK61370A from Lee Distributors for cell phone storage cabinets for HAHS and HACC in the amount of \$30,300.00 as per TIPS Contract No. 230301. **(APPROVED)**
43. Recommend Board approve the resolution and advertise the Notice of Public Hearing in accordance with Act 34 of 1973, which will include a maximum building construction cost of \$88,457,207 and a maximum project cost of \$136,195,285. **(APPROVED)**
44. Recommend Board approve the Audio-Video Service Agreement with decibel Productions, LLC. for the period of 9/1/2026 – 8/31/2027. (Reviewed and approved by The Slusser Law Firm) **(APPROVED)**

45. Recommend Board approve as per procedure #29 of the rental policy to waive the rental fee for the Hazleton Fire Department for the purpose of conducting the Command Fire Training Class on Saturday, September 26, 2026 from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the Hazleton Area High School Auditorium. **(APPROVED)**
46. Recommend Board approve the lowest responsible bidders / proposals for the bids / RFPs that will be received until 11:00 A.M., Wednesday, August 26, 2026 for the following: (See bid / RFP tabulations) **(APPROVED)**
- a. Art Supplies & Equipment (Bid) - Various
 - b. Grant Writing / Administrative Services (RFP) – Total Grant Services
 - c. Liquid Propane (RFP) – Koppy’s Propane
 - d. Music Supplies & Equipment (Bid) – All bids were rejected and will be rebid
 - e. Science Supplies & Equipment (Bid) - Various
47. Recommend Board approve the budget transfer for payment of various professional development sessions to Renaissance Learning, Imagine Learning, and Paxton/Patterson to be paid from the 2025-2026 Ready to Learn grant. (2025-2026 Budget) **(APPROVED)**

	<u>DEBIT (To Acct)</u>	<u>CREDIT (From Acct)</u>
10.2271.360.222.10.200.000	\$ 437.50	
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10.2271.360.222.10.240.000	\$ 437.50	
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10.2271.360.222.10.260.000	\$ 437.50	
10.2271.360.222.10.270.000	\$ 437.50	
10.2271.360.222.10.290.000	\$ 437.50	
10.2271.360.222.00.120.000	\$3,640.00	
10.2271.360.222.30.200.000	\$3,000.00	
10.2271.360.222.30.210.000	\$3,000.00	
10.2271.360.222.30.220.000	\$3,000.00	
10.2271.360.222.30.240.000	\$3,000.00	
10.2271.360.222.30.250.000	\$3,000.00	
10.2271.360.222.30.260.000	\$3,000.00	
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48. Recommend Board approve the following awards: **(APPROVED)**
- a. Highmark Foundation – Grant – See to Achieve 2 – Check No. 12840
 - b. Highmark Foundation – Grant – Cougar Care Closet – Check No. 12839
 - c. The Luzerne Foundation – Grant – Fueling Brains Initiative – Check No. 40655

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **36 – 48**

Motion: Yuhas, Jr.
Second: Bonomo
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X	X (#38)		
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X	X (#38)		
Yuhas, Jr.	X		X (#38)	

49. Bills: **(APPROVED)**

- a. Kobalt Construction, Inc.
 - HASD Indoor Athletic Facility Phase 2 – Pay App. No. 4 – \$282,195.00 (General Fund)
- b. Barry Isett & Associates
 - Professional Services – HASD Drums Parking Testing & Inspections – CMT – Project No. 01137824.000 – Invoice No. 0211367 – \$1,804.25 (General Fund)
 - Freeland E/M School Addition Permit Fees – Project No. NEP-26-1134 – \$69,417.00 (General Fund)
- c. Bognet, Inc.
 - Field House Fit-Out – Contract No. 2 Plumbing Construction – Project No. 25023.00-02 – Pay Application No. 3- \$41,400.00 (General Fund)
- d. Beach Lake Sprinkler
 - Field House Fit-Out – Invoice No. 5200026514 – Pay Application No. 3 – \$186,313.50 (General Fund)
- e. Skepton Construction, Inc.
 - Field House Fit-Out – Pay Application No. 4 – \$777,176.90 (General Fund)
- f. Hosler Corp.
 - Field House Fit-Out – Project No. 25023.00 – Pay Application No. 3 – \$123,975.00 (General Fund)
- g. BDA Architecture & Design
 - Field House Fit-Out – Project No. 25023.00 – Invoice No. 18522 – \$4,930.00 (General Fund)
- h. Pennoni Associates Inc.
 - HASD Indoor Athletic Facility Phase 2 – Project No. 1001222.005 – Invoice No. 1337752 – \$7,195.00 (General Fund)
- i. NRG Controls, LLC
 - Mericle Field House – Project No. 21264074 – Invoice No. 40375 -\$70,300.00 (General Fund)
- j. Advanced Electrical and Communications
 - Field House Fit-Out – Project No. 25023.00-004 – Pay Application No. 2 – \$112,252.50 (General Fund)
- k. General Fund – **(2025-2026)**
 - Activities – \$2,295.95
 - Athletics – \$84,515.88
 - Cafeteria – \$164,434.95
 - Tax Refunds – \$16,599.95
 - Weekly – \$5,667,331.76
 - Monthly – \$283,622.43

General Fund – **(2026-2027)**

 - Activities – \$0.00
 - Athletics – \$18,605.32
 - Cafeteria – \$90,405.47
 - Tax Refunds – \$0.00
 - Weekly – \$877,278.45
 - Monthly – \$349,609.83

FYI

Treasurer Report

Student Activities

Investment Report

Rental Requests

Outstanding Rental Balances

- List of Rentals **(2025-2026)**
- Anticipated Cash Flow **(2026-2027)**

Budget Reports (2026-2027)

a. Revenue Report

b. Expenditure Report

c. Expense Report by Object

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **49**

Motion: Bonomo
Second: Shemansky
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X (b. & k.)	X (a.,c.,d.,e.,f.,g.,h.,i.,j.)		
McBride	X			
O'Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X (b. & k.)	X (a.,c.,d.,e.,f.,g.,h.,i.,j.)		
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Superintendent of Schools

Approve Items 50-64 With One Motion (APPROVED)

- 50. Recommend Board approve the attached conference request list. (APPROVED)
- 51. Recommend Board approve the attached substitute list. (APPROVED)
- 52. Recommend Board accept the donation from PPL’s Backpack Builder program of 120 school supply packs. The estimated value is \$462.00. (APPROVED)
- 53. Recommend Board approve the Monthly Television Programming and Media Services Agreement between Samson Productions, Inc./SSPTV and the Hazleton Area School District from September 1, 2026- August 31, 2027. (Approved by The Slusser Law Firm) (APPROVED)
- 54. Recommend Board approve the purchase of outdoor playground equipment for the Hazle Township Early Learning Center in the amount of \$139,685.00 from Lee Distributors. Pricing as per TIPS Contract #24070201. (APPROVED)
- 55. Recommend Board approve Barry Jais as a Volunteer Consultant for Sports Broadcasting for 2026-2027 school year. (APPROVED)
- 56. Recommend Board approve the proposed settlement agreement and invoices on behalf of I.D. No. 62376 as recommended by Attorney Angela Evans. (APPROVED)
- 57. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Abigail Waltman, Teacher, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on June 25, 2026. (APPROVED)
- 58. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Kyle Adomshick, Crossing Guard, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on August 6, 2026. (APPROVED)
- 59. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Amanda Marizan, Teacher, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on August 6, 2026. (APPROVED)
- 60. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Kayleen McHale, Long-term Substitute Teacher, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on August 6, 2026. (APPROVED)
- 61. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Melanee Benjamin, Paraprofessional, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on August 6, 2026. (APPROVED)
- 62. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Maureen Gregory, Paraprofessional, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on August 6, 2026. (APPROVED)
- 63. Recommend Board rescind the appointment of Brihanda Tejada Castellanos, Paraprofessional, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on August 6, 2026. (APPROVED)
- 64. Recommend Board rescind the resignation of Gianna Giranda, Part-time Secretary, approved at the Regular Monthly School Board Meeting held on August 6, 2026. (APPROVED)

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **50 - 64**

Motion: Yuhas, Jr.
Second: Bonomo
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X	X (#53)		
McBride	X			
O'Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X	X (#53)		
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Approve Items 65-84 With One Motion (APPROVED)

- 65. Recommend Board approve a leave for BOY002, HAEA, effective August 24, 2026, which will consist of the use of sick time. **(APPROVED)**
- 66. Recommend Board approve a leave for HEB003, ESPA, effective July 22, 2026, which will consist of the use of sick time. **(APPROVED)**
- 67. Recommend Board approve a leave for IAC001, ESPA, effective September 2, 2026, which will consist of the use of sick time. **(APPROVED)**
- 68. Recommend Board approve a leave for CAN011, HAEA, effective November 2, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act. **(APPROVED)**
- 69. Recommend Board approve an unpaid leave for TET006, ESPA, effective September 6, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 70. Recommend Board approve a leave for PAV005, HAEA, effective October 9, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act. **(APPROVED)**
- 71. Recommend Board approve a leave for STE030, HAEA, effective September 1, 2026, which will consist of the use of sick time. **(APPROVED)**
- 72. Recommend Board approve a leave for CUR002, HAEA, effective September 8, 2026, in accordance with the Family Medical Leave Act. **(APPROVED)**
- 73. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee MIN015 effective August 4, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 74. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee LAT009 effective August 12, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 75. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee FON002 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 76. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee JON017 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 77. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee LEE005 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 78. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee MAR100 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 79. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee SHI005 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

- 80. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee VIC005 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 81. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee WIL036 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 82. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee ZAM007 effective September 1, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 83. Recommend Board approve the resignation of employee AND010 effective September 11, 2026. **(APPROVED)**
- 84. Recommend Board approve the retirement of employee RIC007 effective August 19, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **65 - 84**

Motion: Bonomo
Second: Chapman
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Approve Items 85-92 With One Motion (APPROVED)

- 85. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of Long-term Substitute Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary and benefits as per HAEA Agreement: (Replacement and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
 - a. Aurora Felix Segura Early Intervention
 - b. Angela Roman Early Intervention
 - c. Christine Bafunno Elementary
 - d. Amanda Kalada Kania Elementary
 - e. Kimberly O’Donnell Elementary
 - f. Betty Zayas de Feliz Elementary
 - g. Dan Zeng Elementary
 - h. Erica L. Dougherty Music
- 86. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of Teacher for Hazleton Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary and benefits as per HAEA Agreement: (Replacement and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
 - a. Grace Cram Special Education
 - b. Patrick Rettger Music
- 87. Recommend Board appoint Sonal Garg to the position of Speech Therapist, Early Intervention, for Hazleton Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year. Salary and benefits as per HAEA Agreement. (Replacement and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
- 88. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of Attendance Officers. Salary and benefits as per HAEA Agreement: (New position and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
 - a. Frank Mussoline
 - b. Amanda Toro

- 89. Recommend Board appoint Jael Maue to the position of Mericle Field House & Maintenance Facility Associate. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract. (New position and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
- 90. Recommend Board appoint Brihanda Tejeda Castellanos to the position of Bilingual Community Liaison. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract. (Replacement and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
- 91. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of 6.5 hr. Paraprofessional. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract: (Replacement & budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
 - a. Cheyenne Tuggle
 - b. Gerany Rodriguez
 - c. Erica Campbell – Early Intervention
- 92. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of 6.5 hr. Bilingual Paraprofessional. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract: (Replacement & budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
 - a. Madeline Otanez
 - b. Indra Munoz De Los Santos

The following vote includes agenda item(s): **85 – 92**

Motion: Bonomo
Second: Yuhas, Jr.
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X	X (#89)		
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X	X (#89)		
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

Approve Items 93-96 With One Motion (APPROVED)

- 93. Recommend Board appoint Lynn Wilhelm to the position of Part-time Secretary, DEMS. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract. (Replacement & budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
- 94. Recommend Board appoint the following to the position of Part-time Office Assistant. Salary and benefits as per HAESPA contract: (Replacement & budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
 - a. Taitum Boston
 - b. Gina Friendly
- 95. Recommend Board appoint Gregory Passon to the position of Sports Facility Coordinator. Salary and benefits as per the Non-Classified Employees salary schedule. (New position and budgeted) **(APPROVED)**
- 96. Recommend Board approve the following tenure list: **(APPROVED)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
a. Kaylin Derhammer	Speech & Language Pathologist Pk-12	EI	July 27, 2026
b. Melissa Donadi	Elementary K-6	MMEMS	August 11, 2026

The following vote includes agenda item(s): 93 – 96

Motion: Yuhas, Jr.
Second: Bonomo
Vote: Voice

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X	X (#95)		
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X	X (#95)		
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM

- Ashley Bahrt – commented on agenda item #38.
- Betsy Durso– commented the Hazleton City Authority water rates.
- Rick Morelli – commented on the HAESPA Proposal and the Castle Auditorium Equipment.

Motion to Adjourn (APPROVED)

The following vote includes agenda item(s): Adjournment (6:20 PM)

Motion: McBride
Second: Shemansky
Vote: Roll

School Director	“Yes” Votes	“No” Votes	Abstain	Absent
Barletta	X			
Bonomo	X			
Chapman	X			
Childs	X			
McBride	X			
O’Donnell				X
Shemansky	X			
Yenkevich	X			
Yuhas, Jr.	X			

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