

Hanover Public School District  
School Board Meeting  
Administration Building - 403 Moul Avenue, Hanover, PA

February 23, 2026  
6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Meeting Held on February 24, 2026 Due to Weather

A. Opening Business

- Call to Order - 6:00 PM
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
  - Board Members Present: Mr. Frederick, Mrs. Gulden, Mr. Huston, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Keeney, Mrs. Shea, Mrs. Walter
  - Board Members Absent: Mr. Lippy and Mrs. Smith
  - Also Present: Dr. Scola, Dr. Seiple, David Fry, Tim Kress, Troy Wentz, Dr. Hilyard, Heather Wagaman, Liz Padgett, Mark Hershner, Matthew Martino, Jody Kessinger, Kathy Forbes, Lisa Jackson, Dr. Abels, Fifteen Middle School students and parents from cast of Disney's Dare to Dream along with Duane Bull, Director.

B. Recognition of Visitors: None

C. Public Comments: None

D. Committee Reports

York County School of Technology – Keeney, Representative; Gulden, Alternate - Paper ballot voting for land acquisition on Queen Street by adult education program.

Recreation – Smith, Representative; Frederick, Alternative

Meet & Discuss Professional, Classified & Administrative – Frederick, Chair; Gulden, Huston

Lincoln Benefit Insurance Trust – Wentz, Representative - Executive Study Group Meeting was held and mid year review has HPSD 6.7% below actuarial prediction of costs for the current year. Indicated that health care costs lag inflation so increase in costs are currently industry wide.

Legislative Liaison with Pennsylvania School Board Association – Shea, Representative - PSBA survey to Board Members was emailed this week.

Policy Committee – Shea, Chair; Gulden, Smith, Rice - Tonight's agenda has policies.

Educational Programs Committee – Gulden, Chair; Huston, Rice, Walter - Professional development day was discussed which included Math, Mental Health and Curriculum Review. Winter Curriculum newsletter, which is sent out three times a year, has been sent out which is highlighting AI initiatives. March 11 is Kindergarten registration and parents can call the Elementaries to set up an appointment time. Next

meeting is April 20.

Building & Grounds Committee – Gulden, Chair; Smith, Lippy, Walter ([enclosure](#)) - Tour of Clearview was held and impressed with District facilities. High School science wing update, LED gym lighting, reports on the bad weather and the buildings along with gym floor painting was discussed. March 5 will be the next meeting.

Parents' Advisory Committee – Keeney; Frederick, Alternate - After two snow events cancelling meetings, the next meeting will be held in March.

Lincoln Intermediate Unit – Shea, Representative - Coordinator of homelessness presented that homelessness has increased over the past three years and the transportation of students to school is challenging. LIU Board approved an Act 93 Agreement for a five year contract with administration, which represents fifty-five of 900 employees.

Student Board Members – Keatyn Bull and Payton Sherman - Dr. Scola read a report from the student representatives. Winter pep rally was held for winter sports and three teachers received pies in the face as National Honor Society raised funds for the upcoming Mini Thon. Powder Puff volleyball was held. Mini Thon kick off assembly was held with Four Diamond Children stories being told. The Mini Thon is this week and a donor drive was held to reach a goal of \$50,000 for childhood cancer. 170 students from the High School and thirty students from the Middle School will participate starting Friday.

- E. Approval of minutes from Past Meetings - The Board is requested to approve the minutes for February 9, 2026 ([enclosure](#)).

BOARD ACTION: Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve, Second by Mrs. Gulden. Approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- F. Dr. John Scola

- Middle School Musical - Thank you to Mr. Bull and assistant Erica McKee. Appreciate your time to be here this evening. Each student introduced themselves to the Board and indicated the grade they are currently in. Dr. Hilyard was introduced and thanked the Board for allowing the cast to perform. Mr. Bull was introduced and thanked the very talented group of students. Appreciative that theatre is exposed because it is a magical realm that brings together students and provides opportunities for them. It is a pleasure to work with the students for the past twenty two years. This show is relatively new in the past year and a half. Support through dreams and struggles through life. Brings 100 years of Disney music. Three selections were performed. Dig a Little Deeper, Nonsense Medley of songs from Disney over the years and A Wish For You. Thank you to the talented group of students and to the parents for the practice schedules. Great to support the Arts.

- G. Dr. Susan Seiple

- Math Professional Development - Dr. Paul Riccomini from Penn State University was at the District for Math Coaching as part of the professional development. Professional development was held on February 17 and was beneficial and well received.
- Curriculum Updates - Elementary Wonders K-2 and then Grades 3-4 the following year. Curriculum updates in Health and Phys Ed and Art.

H. Personnel

- 1) Resignation - The Board is requested to approve the following resignation:

Classified Employee:

Jacob Edwards, Teaching Assistant at Hanover Street Elementary, effective February 27, 2026.

BOARD ACTION: Mrs. Keeney made a motion to approve, Second by Mrs. Rice. Approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- 2) Employment - The Board is requested to approve the following employment:

Classified Employee:

Stacee Coffin, Teaching Assistant at Hanover Street Elementary, from Learning Support, part-time, 5.75 hours per day, to Autistic Support/Learning Support, full-time, 7 hours per day, effective February 23, 2026. Rate of compensation will remain the same.

Substitute Employees:

Jessica Reed, Substitute School Nurse, district-wide, effective pending successful completion of all required employment paperwork, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. Rate of compensation will be in accordance with the current Substitute Rate Schedule. ([enclosure](#))

Dr. Tom Krout, Substitute Principal, district-wide, effective for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. Rate of compensation will be in accordance with the current Substitute Rate Schedule.

Coaches:

Coaches for the 2025-2026 spring season and rates of compensation as listed. ([enclosure 1](#)) ([enclosure 2](#))

Gameworker:

Dr. Tom Krout, Gameworker for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. Rate of compensation will be as listed on the SA-107a Athletic/Event for Payment Form.

BOARD ACTION: Mrs. Gulden made a motion to approve, Second by Mrs. Shea. Approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- 3) Bus/Van Drivers - The Board is requested to approve the following Bus Driver:

Lincoln:

Felix Castillo

BOARD ACTION: Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve, Second by Mrs. Gulden.  
Approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

I. Policy

1) The Board is requested tentative approval for the following Policies and Regulations:

- [204](#) Attendance
- [218.2](#) Weapons
- [219.1](#) Suspension and Expulsion
- [219.1-R1](#) Suspension and Expulsion- Due Process Procedures
- [219.1-R2](#) Notice of Out of School Suspension
- [219.1-R3](#) Notice of Informal Hearing
- [219.2](#) Discipline Hearing Waiver
- [219.2-R1](#) Acknowledgement and Waiver Letter
- [219.2-R2](#) Agreement, Waiver, and Stipulation
- [219.2-R3](#) Notice of Formal Expulsion Hearing
- [219.2-R4](#) Post-Hearing Decision
- [219.2-R5](#) Re-admission Letter
- [610](#) Purchases Subject to Bid
- [611](#) Purchases Budgeted
- [626](#) Attachment Procurement -Federal Programs
- [805-R2](#) Safe2Say Procedures

BOARD ACTION: Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve, Second by Mrs. Rice.  
Approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

J. Finance

1) Check Registers - The Board is requested to approve the following check registers from the General Fund including athletic, middle school, and high school activity accounts totaling \$695,643.87, Cafeteria totaling \$32,878.68, and Capital Reserve totaling \$16,232.37, for a grand total of \$744,754.92. ([General Fund](#)) ([Cafeteria](#)) ([Capital Reserve](#))

BOARD ACTION: Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve, Second by Mr. Huston.  
Approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

2) Transportation Approval - The Board is requested to approve Christina Adamson to transport a student for the 2025-2026 school year to and from Paradise School at approximate daily costs based upon the IRS standard mileage reimbursement rate, plus \$25.00 per day, for a total of \$36.46. ([enclosure](#))

BOARD ACTION: Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve, Second by Mrs. Gulden.  
Approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- 3) INFORMATIONAL ONLY - York County School of Technology Land Purchase from Adult Education Fund Balance of York County School of Technology - The land is located at 2201 South Queen Street and contains three parcels. Previously approved by the Joint Operating Committee and the Authority of York County School of Technology. To complete purchase of the land, need the entire York County School of Technology Joint Board from Member Districts to complete a mail in ballot on the purchase of the land as individual board member ballots.

K. Public Comment: None

L. Adjournment: Mr. Frederick adjourned the meeting at 6:24 PM.

Board Meetings - Monday, March 9, 2026 at 6:00 PM

*Troy S Wentz*