



**North Schuylkill School District
Board of School Director
Public Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, May 13, 2026
Immediately following Committee Meetings
North Schuylkill Jr./Sr. High School
Ashland, PA**

**Mr. Roy Green
Board President**

**Dr. Robert Ackell
Superintendent**

1. Opening

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Roll Call
- 1.3 Invitation to Public to Speak on Agenda Items

2. Recognition of Guests

Junior/Senior High Student Council President Updates – Peter Schachte
Introduction of Student Council Officers for 2026-2027 school year

Recognition of Retirees for Years of Service to the District:

Nancy Nestor	Elementary Teacher	23 years
Michelle Hull	Elementary Guidance Counselor	20 years
Larae Kroh	Full-Time Paraprofessional	28 years
Karen Wasilus	Full-Time Secretary	8 years

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion is requested to approve the minutes of the meetings referenced below:

- 3.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.3 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.4 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.5 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.6 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.7 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.8 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.9 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – April 15, 2026
- 3.10 Minutes of the Finance & Physical Facilities Combined Committee Meeting – April 22, 2026

4. Finance Committee Report (Mary Anne Woodward – Chairperson, Raymond Reichwein, Mike Kiehl)

4.1 A motion is requested to approve the financial reports and check registers as listed and included in Board packets.

4.1.1 Financial Summary – Budget Comparison – April 2026

4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – April 2026

4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – April 2026

4.1.4 Athletic Fund Summary – April 2026

4.1.5 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – April 2026

4.1.6 Expenditures – Check Register – 4/8/2026 through 5/5/2026

4.2 A motion is requested to approve the sale of the following property that has been placed in the “repository for unsold properties” and an offer received:

45-05-0037.000 – 0 West Mahanoy Street, Girardville Borough

Bidder: Borough of Girardville

Bid Amount: \$1.00

4.3 A motion is requested to approve the sale of the following property that has been placed in the “repository for unsold properties” and an offer received:

45-05-0036.000 – 343 West Mahanoy Street, Girardville Borough

Bidder: Borough of Girardville

Bid Amount: \$1.00

4.4 A motion is requested to not object to the “Private Tax Sale” of the following property that has an offer received:

38-03-0205.000 – 11 Centre Street, Ashland Borough

Bidder: Sandra Leal Padau & Francisco Rivera-Santiago

Bid Amount: \$3,000.00

4.5 A motion is requested to not object to the “Private Tax Sale” of the following property that has an offer received:

38-03-0138.000 – 733 Centre Street, Ashland Borough

Bidder: Jonas & Heyden III, LLC

Bid Amount: \$8,000.00

4.6 A motion is requested to not object to the “Private Tax Sale” of the following property that has an offer received:

45-06-0025.000 – 242 North Second Street, Girardville Borough

Bidder: Eugenio Castillo Placencia

Bid Amount: \$2,000.00

- 4.7 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

45-06-0023.000 – 246 North Second Street, Girardville Borough
Bidder: Sixto Castillo Placencia
Bid Amount: \$1,500.00

- 4.8 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

45-07-0039.000 – 201 East B Street, Girardville Borough
Bidder: Sixto Castillo Placencia
Bid Amount: \$1,000.00

- 4.9 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

45-06-0064.000 – 200 Second Street, Girardville Borough
Bidder: Eugenio Castillo Placencia
Bid Amount: \$3,000.00

- 4.10 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

38-06-0208.000 – 1231 Spruce Street, Ashland Borough
Bidder: Sixto Castillo Placencia
Bid Amount: \$2,000.00

- 4.11 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

38-02-0260.000 – 1239 Centre Street, Ashland Borough
Bidder: Jonas & Heyden III, LLC
Bid Amount: \$2,000.00

- 4.12 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

38-02-0062.000 – 1018 Race Street, Ashland Borough
Bidder: Sandra Leal Padua & Francisco Rivera-Santiago
Bid Amount: \$2,000.00

- 4.13 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

38-03-0361.000 – 721 – 723 Walnut Street, Ashland Borough
Bidder: Cecilia Miguel Moral-Guerrero
Bid Amount: \$4,500.00

- 4.14 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

45-08-0108.000 – 249 West Preston Avenue, Girardville Borough
 Bidder: Floriberto Perez Cerezo
 Bid Amount: \$3,000.00

- 4.15 A motion is requested to not object to the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

38-02-0039.000 – 1339 Arch Street, Ashland Borough
 Bidder: Sandra Leal Padua & Francisco Rivera-Santiago
 Bid Amount: \$2,000.00

- 4.16 A motion is requested to approve the School District's "Proposed Final Budget" for the 2026-2027 fiscal year in the amount of \$42,136,965 in accordance with School Board Policy.

- 4.17 A motion is requested to establish the current local taxes and to set up real estate tax rates in accordance with School Board Policy as follows in support of the budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

	<u>2025-2026</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
Real Estate – Schuylkill County	8.9664 mills	9.29 mills
Real Estate – Columbia County	54.1419 mills	56.11 mills
Occupational Assessment	\$218.50	\$218.50
Real Estate Transfer*	1.0%	1.0%
Earned Income Tax*	1.0%	1.0%
Local Services Tax	\$5.00	\$5.00
Per Capita 511 Tax	\$0.00	\$0.00
Per Capita 679 Tax	\$0.00	\$0.00

* 0.5% for school district; 0.5% for municipalities

- 4.18 A motion is requested to approve the following dates for Real Estate and Occupational Assessment Tax payments:

Discount Period – ends August 31, 2026

Regular (face amount) period – ends October 31, 2026

Tax installments no later than the following dates:

August 31, 2026
 September 30, 2026
 October 31, 2026

- 4.19 A motion is requested to award the bid for Metal Detection Systems to Communications Technologies, Inc., Chesterfield, Missouri, in the amount of \$105,856.70. Grant monies will cover all costs.
- 4.20 A motion is requested to approve a settlement agreement with Gillingham Charter School.
- 4.21 A motion is requested to approve the Consent for Compromise of Taxes on the following property:
231 North Railroad Avenue, Frackville
- 4.22 A motion is requested to authorize the Superintendent and Business Manager to purchase two vans through a COSTARS vendor.

5. Communications

6. Other Committee Reports

6.1 **Physical Facilities** (Mike Kiehl – Chairperson, Bryan Slotcavage, Mike Kehler)

6.1.1 A motion is requested to approve, as presented, the following Facility Use Applications, pending appropriate insurance and facility availability. All Facility Use Applications are contingent upon availability and cannot interfere with District activities or events. Fees will be applied where applicable.

6.1.1-1 NS Boys Basketball Boosters to use the JSBS Cafeteria for a Booster Meeting on May 3, 2026, from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

6.1.1-2 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSBS Cafeteria for a Booster Meeting on May 19, 2026, from 4:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

6.1.1-3 NS Boys Basketball Boosters to use the Cesari-Hope Gymnasium for a Boys Basketball Youth Camp on June 15, 16, 17 and 18, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

6.1.2 A motion is requested to approve the demolition and installation of a safety glass window in the Weight Room at the JSBS from S & S Project Solutions, Inc., Hamburg, PA, at a cost of \$6,250.00.

6.2 **Personnel** (Jennifer Kowalonek, Chairperson; Alex Trexler, Mary Anne Woodward)

6.2.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the following individuals as Extended School Year (ESY) Instructors from June 16, 2026, through July 23, 2026: at a rate of \$35/hour:

Erin Anderson	Madison Reeder
Devon Sinkovich	Matt Wislosky
Brett Budwash	Lindsey Petritsch

Sixth Grade	Sandy Selgrade	\$ 800.00
Specials – Co-Curricular	Rachael Pasco	\$ 850.00
Special Education	Abby Riegel	\$1,200.00
Title I	Danielle Adams	\$ 800.00

6.2.6 A motion is requested to approve the following individuals as Homebound Teachers for the 2026-2027 school year at the rate of \$40.00 per hour:

Karla Herring	Christine Greblich	Kelly Boyer
Patrick Cooney	Amy Maziekas	Leah Wallace
Rachael Damiter		

The following motion items are in accordance with the NSSD/NSESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures.

6.2.7 A motion is requested to approve Jessica McMillin as a Full-Time Secretary (PIMS – Data Entry Secretary), pending a written satisfactory evaluation after a 90-day probationary period and pending a satisfactory performance evaluation on the PIMS System on October 1, 2026. Her start date will be June 1, 2026. Her rate will be \$17.25 per hour. Upon a satisfactory performance evaluation, her rate will increase \$1.82/hour effective October 1, 2026.

6.2.8 A motion is requested to approve salary adjustments for the following Full-time Custodians: Daniel O’Connell, Nicholas Ludwig, Tracey Zimmerman and Susan Yashin.

6.2.9 A motion is requested to approve the termination of Bryan Howley, Full-Time Custodian effective April 29, 2026.

6.2.10 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of the following individuals as Temporary Part-Time Summer Custodians for the Summer of 2026:

Eugene Zdiera
Anthony Tenaglia

The rate will be \$13.50/hour increasing to \$14.50/hour effective July 1, 2026.

6.2.11 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the following individuals as Extended School Year (ESY) Paraprofessionals at the rates listed from June 16, 2026, through July 23, 2026:

		<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>
Sharon White	-	\$14.80 per hour	\$16.25 per hour
Keri Barnes	-	\$19.69 per hour	\$21.14 per hour
Angel Himes	-	\$13.50 per hour	\$14.95 per hour
Katelynn Himes	-	\$13.50 per hour	\$14.95 per hour
Kathy Farrone	-	\$14.50 per hour	\$15.95 per hour
Donna Quinn	-	\$14.25 per hour	\$15.70 per hour
Michelle Wagner	-	\$15.80 per hour	\$17.25 per hour
Dawnielle Shirey	-	\$14.25 per hour	\$15.70 per hour

Jen Himes	-	\$19.30 per hour	\$20.75 per hour
Yasmin Vasconi	-	\$13.50 per hour	\$14.95 per hour
Monica Jones	-	\$13.50 per hour	\$14.95 per hour
Sittali Medina	-	\$13.50 per hour	\$14.95 per hour
Angela Hannon	-	\$15.30 per hour	\$16.75 per hour

Denise Brayford – Substitute

6.2.12 A motion is requested to approve the termination of Ashley Post, Part-Time Paraprofessional effective May 13, 2026.

6.2.13 Information Item

6.2.13 -1 A list of names of applicants for employment and a list of names of individuals who have submitted letters of interest but for whom no applications have been received to date.

6.3 **Curriculum and Instructional Programs** (Randy Lattis – Chairperson, Alex Trexler, Jennifer Kowalonek)

6.3.1 A motion is requested to approve the Schuylkill Education Leading to Employment and Career Training (SELECT) Initiative Local Education Agency Letter of Agreement with the Schuylkill IU 29.

6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve a three-year agreement (July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029) with Instructure, Inc. for transcript services (Parchment) at a cost of \$1,765.00, \$1,853.25 and \$1,945.91, respectively.

6.3.3 A motion is requested to approve the 2025-2026 Title I Revised Letter of Agreement between the North Schuylkill School District and the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit for North Schuylkill children attending non-public schools effective August 25, 2025, through May 29, 2026.

6.4 **Food Service, Safety, Transportation** (Mike Kehler – Chairperson, Mary Ann Woodward, Mike Kiehl)

6.4.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, adding the following individuals to the roster of School Bus Drivers/Van Drivers/Aides for the 2025-2026 school year:

Juile Ebert
Melissa Bernosky
Robin Hubler

6.4.2 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Lehigh Valley Zoo, Schnecksville, PA, from the NSE PTO for 1st Grade Students, teachers and chaperones on May 27, 2026.

6.4.3 A motion is requested to approve the Schuylkill County Emergency Operations Basic Plan as presented to the Board.

6.5 **Extracurricular Programs** (Raymond Reichwein – Chairperson, Bryan Slotcavage, Randy Lattis)

6.5.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Hunter Kerstetter as a Volunteer Girls Soccer Coach for the 2026 Fall Season.

6.5.2 A motion is requested to approve the Support Resolution – House Bill 41 – Interscholastic Athletics establishing a mechanism for the PIAA to create separate playoffs for boundary schools and non-boundary schools in post-season games.

6.5.3 A motion is requested to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the North Schuylkill Education Association (NSEA) to modify the Appendix A Supplemental Positions on page 24 of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement and page 25 of the successor Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented to the Board.

6.5.4 A motion is requested to approve the following Supplemental Positions and salaries for the 2026-2027 school year:

Nathan Hampton	4H Club Advisor	\$ 750.00
Brandi Kline	7 th – 9 th Grade Fall Production Director	\$2,200.00
Michelle Schwartz	7 th – 9 th Grade Fall Production Director Assistant	\$ 350.00
Jason Kline	7 th – 9 th Grade Fall Production Tech Director	\$ 1000.00
Joseph Wyatt	Academic Team Advisor	\$2,450.00
Merri Lynn Craig	Act 48 Coordinator	\$ 500.00
Joe Tomtishen	AEVIDUM Club <small>(split)</small>	\$ 400.00
Jenna Dyszel	AEVIDUM Club <small>(split)</small>	\$ 400.00
Kerri Herring	Art Club Advisor	\$ 800.00
Jacob Shoener	Band – Concert Band	\$1,550.00
Jacob Shoener	Band – Jazz Band	\$ 750.00
Jacob Shoener	Band Director	\$3,500.00
Douglas Cole	Band Director Assistant	\$2,150.00
Michelle Schwartz	Band Director – Elementary	\$ 550.00
Nevaida Rau	Band Front Advisor	\$2,050.00
Michelle Schwartz	Choral Director – Elementary	\$3,000.00
Brandi Kline	Choral Director – JSHS	\$3,600.00
Michelle Schwartz	Choral Director – JSHS Assistant	\$1,100.00
Nick Brayford	Class Advisor, Freshmen	\$ 550.00
Amy Maziekas	Class Advisor, Freshmen	\$ 550.00
Joe Tomtishen	Class Advisor, Junior	\$ 900.00
Leah Wallace	Class Advisor, Junior	\$ 900.00
Amy Maziekas	Class Advisor, Senior	\$1,200.00

Nick Brayford	Class Advisor, Senior	\$1,200.00
Nick Brayford	Class Advisor, Sophomore	\$ 750.00
Amy Maziekas	Class Advisor, Sophomore	\$ 750.00
Kali Anczarski	Diversity Club Advisor	\$ 900.00
Rachael Pasco	Elementary Art Club (Show)	\$ 300.00
Carrie Miller	Elementary Art Club (Show)	\$ 300.00
Sandy Selgrade	Envirothon – Elementary	\$1,650.00
Danielle Moyer	Envirothon – JSHS	\$1,650.00
VACANT	Envirothon Assistant – JSHS	\$ 800.00
Tammey Fey	Envirothon Assistant – Elementary	\$ 750.00
Melanie Fowler	FBLA	\$ 800.00
Justin Sharp	Fire/Rescue Club Advisor	\$1,050.00
Lindsey Petritsch	Friends Forever Advisor	\$ 750.00
Brett Budwash	Friends Forever Advisor	\$ 750.00
Kristen Weinreich	Friends Forever Advisor – Elementary	\$ 300.00
John Cuthie	Honor Society Advisor	\$1,900.00
Jamie Wagner	Honor Society – English	\$ 300.00
Lindsay Furman	Honor Society – Foreign Language	\$ 300.00
Leah Wallace	Honor Society – Math	\$ 300.00
Kelly Boyer	Honor Society – Science	\$ 300.00
Joseph Wyatt	Honor Society – Social Studies	\$ 300.00
Jennifer Rex	Math Counts Advisor	\$ 750.00
Joann Miller	News & Media Group Advisor ^(split)	\$ 800.00
Michelle Misiewicz	News & Media Group Advisor ^(split)	\$ 800.00
Melanie Fowler	Pep Club Advisor	\$ 800.00
Brandi Kline	Play Director	\$3,500.00
Sarah Barket	Play Director Assistant	\$1,700.00
Michelle Schwartz	Play Music Director	\$1,500.00
Jason Kline	Play Tech Director	\$1,850.00
Gene Lapointe	Robotics	\$1,550.00
Melanie Fowler	SADD/TAT Advisor	\$ 800.00
Brett Budwash	Safe Crisis Management Instructor	\$ 500.00
Megan Rollenhagen	Safe Crisis Management Instructor	\$ 500.00
Justin Sharp	Safe Crisis Management Instructor	\$ 500.00
Craig Demko	Safe Crisis Management Instructor	\$ 500.00
Shane McGrath	Safe Crisis Management Instructor	\$ 500.00
Melissa Lorady	Senior Project Advisor ^(split)	\$ 300.00
Joe Tomtishen	Senior Project Advisor ^(split)	\$ 300.00
Jen Rex	Ski Club Advisor	\$ 800.00
Michelle Misiewicz	Social Media Advisor	\$1,050.00
Danielle Moyer	Spanish Club Advisor	\$1,200.00
Gene Lapointe	Spelling Bee Coordinator	\$ 250.00
Nathan Hampton	STEM Advisor – Junior High	\$1,300.00
Joanne Miller	Student Council Advisor	\$ 800.00
Jamie Swartz	Tech Lead Teacher – Elementary	\$1,050.00
Michelle Misiewicz	Tech Lead Teacher – JSHS	\$1,050.00
Scott Frew	Weightlifting Advisor (1 st Half)	\$2,400.00
Pete Stanakis	Weightlifting Advisor (2 nd Half)	\$1,550.00
Joe Tomtishen	Weightlifting Advisor (Summer)	\$1,500.00
Leah Wallace	What's So Cool About Manufacturing	\$ 500.00
Michelle Misiewicz	What's So Cool About Manufacturing	\$ 500.00

Joanne Miller	Yearbook Advisor	\$1,500.00
Michelle Misiewicz	Yearbook Assistant Advisor	\$ 700.00
Kali Anczarski	Youth Summit Advisor	\$ 250.00
Joanne Miller	Youth Summit Advisor	\$ 250.00

6.6 **Policy/Legislative** (Alex Trexler – Chairperson, Randy Lattis, Jennifer Kowalonek)

6.6.1 A motion is requested to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Butler Township Police Department for policies and procedures, as presented to the Board.

6.6.2 The President, Mr. Green, shall call for the nomination and election for the Office of Treasurer.

6.6.3 Information Item –

The Board has reviewed the following policies:

800's – Operations

900's – Community

000's – Local Board Procedures

If any changes are made, the policies will go through the first and second reading process.

7. **Old Business** (Reserved for prior agenda items)

8. **New Business** (Reserved for items for placement on next meeting agenda)

8.1 A motion is requested to approve waiving the minimum bid of \$12,500 for Robert Gerhard for 5 Powder Mill Road, Girardville, pending Butler Township's approval letter.

9. **Other Reports**

9.1 Information Item

9.1.1 – Acknowledge the donation of Flag Bookmarks to the NSE Library courtesy of Attorney Brian Urban and the Schuylkill County Bar Association.

10. **Other Items for Consideration**

10.1 Invitation to Public to Speak

11. **Dates for Future Meetings**

Wednesday, June 17

Committee Meetings – 7:00 a.m.

Board of School Directors Regular Meeting – immediately following Committee Meetings

12. **Adjournment**