

Thursday, February 12, 2026

School Board Meeting Minutes

MEETING PLACE: 321 E. Third St., Bethlehem, PA 18015 @ 6:00 pm

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/2534557756>

The President called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

I. Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

II. Board Member Roll Call

Mario Acerra, President
 Paul Braden, VP
 John Filipos, Treasurer

Rebecca Hudock
 Tim Laubach
Karen Mustonen

Sergio Rivas
 Chuck Schubert
 Margaret Smith
 Loren Speziale Arrived 6:07pm

Administration:

Dr. Christina Lincoln, CEO
 Jennifer Levernier, Principal
 Cheryl Schurz, Director of Finance & Board Secretary
 Robert Young, Director of Development

III. Executive Session:

Motion: The Board of Directors moves to go into Executive Session at 6:05pm for Personnel, Legal, and Property discussion.

MM:Filipos

SM:Laubach Motion Carried:Yes-8,No-0,Abstention-0

IV. Open Session:

The Board of Directors returns to Open Session at 6:08pm.

Opening Remarks:

Mr. Acerra, Board President

President Acerra thanked the Board for serving and looks forward to Mrs. Levernier presentation of the school's "Climate Survey".

V. CEO Report

Dr. Christina Lincoln, CEO

Introduction to Rob Young: Director of Development

Dr. Lincoln thanked the Board and recognized February is School Board Appreciation Month. She thanked the Board for their time, talent, and treasure.

Dr. Lincoln recognized the achievement of Sophia Betancourt, Spanish Teacher, who will represent Spanish Honor Society Chapters in 10 different states.

Dr. Lincoln also recognized David Macbeth, Vocal Teacher, who brought the Yale Glee Club to Bethlehem.

Mrs. Levernier presented the "Climate Survey" Summary - see handout

VI. Public Comments: *(limited to 3 minutes per individual)* None

VII. Acceptance of Consent Agenda Items:

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Principal Reports

Operations Report

Motion: The Board of Directors accepts the Consent Agenda Items.

MM:Rivas SM:Filipos Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

VIII. Approval of December 11, 2025 Board Minutes:

Motion: The Board of Directors approves the December 11, 2025 Minutes.

MM:Braden SM:Filipos Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

IX. Personnel Report

Approval of February 2026 Personnel Report

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the CEO, the Board of Directors approves the February 2026 Personnel Report.

MMFilipos: SM:Rivas Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

X. Foundation Report

Foundation Report by Margaret Smith

Mr. Young is doing a great job. He is working on building an Alumni Network.

Gala tickets will be available soon for purchase. Early price is \$200/per person.

XI. Committee Reports

Finance Committee report by John Filipos

Acceptance of January 2026 Financial Reports

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Board of Directors accepts the January 2026 Financial Reports.

MM:Committee Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

Resource Development Committee Report by Tim Laubach

The Committee met and discussed increasing the student population.

Auditions will occur in March and April and during the summer.

Mr. Laubach discussed the launching of a new bill board marketing and branding campaign. There will be 70 different bill boards. Beginning Monday, February 16 and will run 4-5 weeks.

The In kind Gift is valued \$30K - \$50K.

Board Development Committee report by Margaret Smith

No report.

Curriculum Committee Report by Sergio Rivas

Approval of Gardening Club and Hispanic Student Union

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the CEO, and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the Gardening Club and Hispanic Student Union Club.

MM:Committee Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

Approval of 2026-2027 Charter Arts Course Catalog

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the CEO, and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the 2026-2027 Charter Arts Course Catalog.

MM:Committee Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

Approval of Overnight Trips

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the CEO, and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves Overnight Trips

ACAPA Education Law Symposium from 2/8-2/10/2026 (Dr. Lincoln)

PDE Annual Conference 2/25/26-2/27/26 Hershey, PA (Jessica Diane and Jennifer Hoffman)

WorldStrides 4/15/26-4/18/26 Nashville, TN (Matthew Wells and Students)

PMEA All State Conference 4/23/26-4/24/26, Pocono Manor, PA (Matthew Wells)

MM:Committee Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

XII. Old Business Policy 208 Student Withdraw, see Policy Motion

XIII. New Business

Approval of Contracts

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the CEO, the Board of Directors approves the following contracts:

- ISolved
- Service Electric Cable TV & Communications
- St. Luke’s (Yess! School Based Psychological Therapy)
- Valenz Care

MM:Smith SM:Filipos Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

Approval of Policies

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the CEO, the Board of Directors approves the following policies:

- Policy 121 Field Trip Policy
- Policy 208 Student Withdraw Policy
- Policy 218.1 Weapons Policy
- Policy 610 Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
- Policy 611 Purchases Budgeted
- Policy 626a Procurement Policy
- Policy 800 Record Retention and Disposition Schedule Policy
- Policy 804 School Day Policy
- Policy 921 Alumni Visitors

MM:Filipos

SM:Smith

Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

XIV. Public Comments: *(limited to 3 minutes per individual)* None

XV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:10pm.

MM:Schubert

SM:Speziale

Motion Carried:Yes-9,No-0,Abstention-0

Next Meeting: April 9, 2026, 6pm

**Statement of Financial Interest Form Due to Mrs. Schurz by 5/1/26.
See Board Drive, Attachment Folder**

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Schurz, Board Secretary