

Central Bucks School District
School Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 27, 2026 7:00 PM

Meeting Location: Educational Services Center
16 Welden Drive, Doylestown, PA 18901

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President and Presiding Officer
Heather Reynolds called the meeting to order at
7:03 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL:**

DAVID COMALLI:	Present
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Present
DANA FOLEY:	Present
SUSAN GIBSON:	Present
RICK HARING:	Present
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Present
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Present
KAREN SMITH:	Present
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Present

Also present:

Dr. Joanna Wexler, Superintendent
Dr. Charles Malone, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Helen Zaleski, Assistant Superintendent
Jason Jaffe, Director of Technology & Innovation
Wayne Gehris, Chief Financial Officer
Kevin Spencer, Director of Operations
Cathy Rossi, Interim Director of Human Resources
Michael Petitti, Director of Communications
Peter Amuso, Solicitor
Stephanie Radcliffe, Board Secretary

4. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Solicitor
Amuso announced that the Board met in Executive
Session on August 10, 2026 regarding litigation
matters and received information on a policy
issue. Mr. Amuso announced that the Board met in
conference for a Board Retreat on August 18, 2026
regarding internal Board protocols. Mr. Amuso
announced that the Board met in executive session
today, August 27, 2026 regarding litigation,
personnel, labor relation matters, and to receive
information on Board protocols.

5. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Superintendent Wexler shared some of the work that was completed over the summer break, reviewed professional learning opportunities, the extended school year program, and her own entry plan goals.

Dr. Wexler announced that three Community Forums will be held in October. These forums will offer opportunities for community members to share topics of interest and are planned to run from 6:00pm until 7:30pm on October 5th at Central Bucks High School West, October 12 at Holicong Middle School, and October 19 at Jamison Elementary School.

Dr. Wexler thanked various companies and individuals who donated gifts to schools in the amount of \$406,895.00 during the 2025-2026 school year.

Dr. Wexler spoke about the exciting commencement of grade realignment and full day kindergarten this year. Kindergarten and grades 6, 7, 9 and 10 start school on August 31st and CB will welcome all grades back on September 1st.

Dr. Wexler reminded the community about our property tax rebate program. 312 applications were processed during the last fiscal year, and we have received 81 applications already during this current fiscal year.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** Edward Mackouse, Buckingham, spoke about bullying, social media, cell phones, and video games and the harm that can be caused to teenagers.

7. **MEETING MINUTES: Approval of the Minutes of the June 25, 2026 School Board Meeting**

Action(s): Motion to approve the Minutes of the June 25, 2026 School Board Meeting. This motion, made by DANIEL KIMICATA and seconded by RICK HARING, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Absent
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 8, No: 0, Absent: 1

Note: Mrs. Gibson stepped out of the room at 7:22 p.m. and returned to her seat at 7:24 p.m.

8. **SCHOOL BOARD REPORTS**

To view the School Board Reports, please refer to Items 8A-8E on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.

8.A. Education Committee

8.B. Policy Committee

8.C. Finance & Operations Committee

8.D. Bucks County Intermediate Unit

8.E. Middle Bucks Institute of Technology

9. **FINANCE: Approval of All Finance Items**

To view the Finance Items, please refer to Items 9A-9L on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.

Action(s): Items 9A-9L were taken by one Motion.

Motion to approve all Finance Items. This motion, made by SUSAN GIBSON and seconded by KAREN SMITH, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

9.A. Treasurer's Report and Investment Portfolio for May 2026 and June 2026

9.B. Approval of Accounts Payable Check

Disbursements:

The Accounts Payable Check Registers provide a list of payment transactions for Fund 10 General Fund, Fund 30 Capital Fund, and Fund 50 Food Service Fund. Fund 10: \$14,058,573.12; Fund 30: \$11,721,424.02; Fund 50: \$193,546.57.

Grand total = \$25,973,543.71.

9.C. Approval of Gift Report for the 2025-2026

Fiscal Year: Each year the Central Bucks Community generously donates money, time, and talent to our schools. Central Bucks School District gratefully appreciates the support received from the community. The 2025-2026 Gifts to Schools total is \$406,895.00.

9.D. Approval of Staff Conferences in the amount of \$7,382.00.

9.E. Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement:
Expert Witness

- 9.F. Approval of Kelly Services Pricing Effective August 2026
- 9.G. Approval of Letter of Engagement with Grand River Solutions for Title IX Services
- 9.H. Approval of Weglot subscription for Communications Department in the amount of \$10,500.00
- 9.I. Approval of a 3-Year Musical Instrument Repair & Maintenance Contract with Russo Music Center, Inc. in the Amount of \$40,000.00
- 9.J. Approval of Settlement: This \$25,000.00 Chavous Settlement and Release will be covered by the district's insurance company.
- 9.K. Acceptance of Inheritance from Parry Estate: Administration recommends accepting the bequest of Mr. George R. Parry, Central Bucks High School graduate and former Bucks County resident, in the amount of \$185,712.00. Central Bucks Administration will develop a committee to determine the appropriate use of the funds that will tie into Mr. Parry's interest in art and business activities.
- 9.L. Approval of Agreement for Private Investigator Services at a rate of \$70.00 per hour
10. **OTHER BOARD ACTION ITEMS: Approval of All Other Board Action Items**
 To view the Other Board Action Items, please refer to Items 10A and 10B on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.
Action(s): Items 11A-11C were taken by one Motion.
 Motion to approve All Other Board Action Items. This motion, made by DANIEL KIMICATA and seconded by RICK HARING, Carried.
Voting Detail:
 DAVID COMALLI: Yes
 KATRINA FILIATRAULT: Yes
 DANA FOLEY: Yes
 SUSAN GIBSON: Yes
 RICK HARING: Yes
 DANIEL KIMICATA: Yes
 AMANDA O'CONNOR: Yes
 HEATHER REYNOLDS: Yes
 KAREN SMITH: Yes
Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0
- 10.A. Approval of Resolution: Electronic signature for eGrants
- 10.B. Approval of 2026-2027 Roxy Therapy Dogs MOU
- 10.C. Approval for Superintendent to Award 2025-26 Merit Bonuses in Accordance with the Act 93 Agreement

11. OPERATIONS: Approval of Operations Items

To view the Operations Items, please refer to Items 11A-11C on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.

Action(s): Items 12A-12C were taken by one Motion.

Motion to approve All Operations Items. This motion, made by KAREN SMITH and seconded by DANIEL KIMICATA, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

- 11.A. Approval of Johnson Controls Inc. Building Automation System(BAS) Server and BAS Panel Upgrades for District Wide HVAC System Controls in the amount of \$243,795.00
- 11.B. Approval of 1-800-Water-Damage estimate of \$438,431.63 for cleaning and restoration work related to the fire damage at CB South
- 11.C. Approval of First Student Drivers

12. SPECIAL EDUCATION: Approval of All Special Education Items

Action(s): Items 12A-12K were taken by one Motion.

Motion to approve All Special Education Items. This motion, made by RICK HARING and seconded by SUSAN GIBSON, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

- 12.A. Approval of IEP Waiver Agreement 8.27.26 (1)
- 12.B. Approval of IEP Waiver Agreement 8.27.26 (2)

- 12.C. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(1)
- 12.D. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(2)
- 12.E. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(3)
- 12.F. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
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- 12.G. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(5)
- 12.H. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(6)
- 12.I. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(7)
- 12.J. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(8)
- 12.K. Approval of Settlement Agreement 8.27.26
(9)

13. STUDENT SERVICES: Approval of All Student Services Items

Action(s): Items 13A and 13B were taken by one Motion.

Motion to approve all student services items.
This motion, made by AMANDA O'CONNOR and seconded by KAREN SMITH, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

- 13.A. Approval of a Foreign Exchange Student for the 2026-2027 School Year at Central Bucks High School East
- 13.B. Approval of Two Physician Contracts for the 2026-2027 School Year:
Dr. Rosero and Dr. Schroeder
- 13.C. To view the physician contracts. Please refer to Item 13B on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.

14. EDUCATION: Approval of All Education Items

To view the Education Items, please refer to Items 14A-14F on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.

Action(s): Items 14A-14F were taken by one Motion.

Motion to Approve All Education Items. This motion, made by DANA FOLEY and seconded by AMANDA O'CONNOR, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

14.A. Academic Math 6 Course of Study Approval, Math Intervention 7 Course of Study Approval, Math Intervention 8 Course of Study Approval, AP Cybersecurity Course of Study Approval, Calculus 3 Course of Study Approval, Introduction to Python Course of Study Approval

14.B. Navigate Course of Study Approval

14.C. French 1A and French 1B Course of Study Approval, Spanish 1A and Spanish 1B Approval, Passports and Perspectives Course of Study Approval

14.D. Kindergarten Decodable Books Adoption and Read Naturally Intervention Adoption

14.E. STEM 6 Course of Study Approval, STEM 7 Course of Study Approval, STEM 8 Course of Study Approval, STEAM Robotics 1, STEAM Robotics 2, STEAM Design 1 Exploring, STEAM Design 1, STEAM Design 2, STEAM Design 3, STEAM Fabrication 1 Exploring, STEAM Fabrication 1, STEAM Fabrication 2, and STEAM Fabrication 3 Approvals

14.F. MTSS Management Programs Pilot

15. POLICY: Approval of All Policy Items

To view the policy Items, please refer to Items 15A and 15B on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.

Action(s): Items 15A and 15B were taken by one Motion.

Motion to approve All Policy Items. This motion, made by KAREN SMITH and seconded by SUSAN GIBSON, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes

AMANDA O'CONNOR: Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS: Yes
KAREN SMITH: Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

- 15.A. Approval to Move to Table for First Read
Policy 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying
15.B. Approval to Move to Table for First Read
Policy 810 Transportation

16. FIELD TRIPS: Approval of All Field Trip Items

To view the Field Trip Items, please refer to
Items 16A-16E on the August 27, 2026 board
agenda.

Action(s) Items 16A-16E were taken by one Motion.
Motion to approve All Field Trip Items. This
motion, made by RICK HARING and seconded by
DANIEL KIMICATA, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI: Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT: Yes
DANA FOLEY: Yes
SUSAN GIBSON: Yes
RICK HARING: Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA: Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR: Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS: Yes
KAREN SMITH: Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

- 16.A. Approval for CB South Marching Titans to
travel to Hadley, MA on September 25-26, 2026.
16.B. Approval for CB South English Department
to travel to Newark, NJ on October 16, 2026
16.C. Approval for CB South Music Ensembles to
travel to New York, NY on November 18, 2026
16.D. Approval for CB West Basketball to travel
to Charleston, SC on December 27-31, 2026
16.E. Approval for CB West Wrestling to travel
to Jensen Beach, FL on January 6-10, 2027

**17. HUMAN RESOURCES: Approval of All Human
Resources Items**

To view the Human Resources Items, please refer
to Items 17A-17G on the August 27, 2026 board
agenda.

Action(s): Items 17A-17G were taken by one
Motion.

Motion to approve All Human Resources Items. This
motion, made by KAREN SMITH and seconded by
KATRINA FILIATRAULT, Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI: Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT: Yes

DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Abstain
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

Mr. Haring's completed abstention form is attached to the official August 27, 2026 School Board Meeting minutes.

Superintendent Wexler welcomed new Special Education Supervisor Elizabeth Brill.

President Reynolds acknowledged the names of 24 employees who are retiring and thanked them for their years of service.

- 17.A. Approval of Appointments
- 17.B. Approval of Assignment Changes
- 17.C. Approval of Retirements, Resignations, and Terminations
- 17.D. Approval of Middle School and High School Athletic Points
- 17.E. Approval of ESY and Community School Staff
- 17.F. Approval of Leaves of Absence
- 17.G. Approval of Sabbaticals

18. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

To view the Reports and Information Items, please refer to Items 18A and 18B on the August 27, 2026 board agenda.

- 18.A. Leaves of Absence Report
- 18.B. Elementary and Secondary Tenure Reports

19. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A.) Tom Shead, Doylestown Township, spoke about school taxes.
- B.) Daniel Grabianowski, Plumstead Township, spoke about school taxes, a proposed Responsible Contractor Policy, and Class A apprenticeship programs.
- C.) Edward Mackouse, Buckingham Township, spoke about COVID drug manufacturers, oil, and President Trump.

- 20. **BOARD COMMENT:** All nine school board members thanked CB staff for the work, commitment, and dedication involved in bringing grade realignment to fruition for the 2026-2027 school year.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Action(s):

There being no further business before the Board,
Motion to adjourn at 8:09 p.m. This motion, made
by RICK HARING and seconded by KAREN SMITH,
Carried.

Voting Detail:

DAVID COMALLI:	Yes
KATRINA FILIATRAULT:	Yes
DANA FOLEY:	Yes
SUSAN GIBSON:	Yes
RICK HARING:	Yes
DANIEL KIMICATA:	Yes
AMANDA O'CONNOR:	Yes
HEATHER REYNOLDS:	Yes
KAREN SMITH:	Yes

Voting Summary: Yes: 9, No: 0

21.A. Next scheduled School Board Meeting:
September 24, 2026

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Radcliffe
School Board Secretary



CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DISTRICT

LEADING THE WAY

The Central Bucks Schools will provide all students with the academic and problem-solving skills essential for personal development, responsible citizenship, and life-long learning.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ABSTENTION FORM

This form is to be filed with the Board Secretary following any vote of "abstain" at any Central Bucks School District School Board meeting.

Board Meeting Date: 8/27/26

Agenda Item: 17 HUMAN RESOURCES

Reason for Abstention: EPA

Board Member Signature: _____

This form must be attached to the minutes of each meeting where an abstention vote is recorded.