



Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees North Star School District Wednesday, October 7, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of North Star School District will be held Wednesday, October 7, 2026, beginning at 7:00 PM Central Elementary Cafeteria, 1215 Morris Ave, Boswell , PA 15531.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Robbie Bloom		
Mr. Angelo Codispoti		
Mrs. Caitlin Fleegle		
Mrs. Erin Maurer		
Mr. Michael Revak		
Mrs. Kathy Shaffer		
Mr. Lance Shawley		
Mrs. Cindy West		
Mr. Martin Blough (President)		

(Section 508 of the School Code as adopted on 6/12/79 will prevail concerning voting. Roll Call voting will proceed in the following manner: the maker of the motion, first; the person who made the second, second; and the remainder of the board members in alphabetical order, except for the president, who will vote last. Abstention reasons will be included in the official minute book.)

(Our adopted rules of Parliamentary Procedure, Robert's Rules, provide for a consent agenda listing several items for approval of the Board by a single motion. Most of the items listed under the consent agenda have gone through Board subcommittee review and recommendation. Documentation concerning these items has been provided to all Board members and the public in advance to assure an extensive and thorough review. Items may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any board member).

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Operational Reports Consent Agenda

OPERATIONAL REPORTS CONSENT AGENDA
Regular board meeting agenda October 7, 2026
Minutes from regular board meeting September 2, 2026
Treasurer's Report
General bills

Federal fund bills
Cafeteria bills

4. Public Comment Guidelines

Any topic

For residents of the District

Individual speakers are limited to 3 minutes.

The Board will take public comment, but will not respond.

The entire public comment period may not exceed 30 minutes.

Non-residents may speak only if there is time left within 30 minutes.

An additional 60 minutes may be allowed at the end of the meeting, or at a separate meeting.

A. Boswell Borough representative to speak regarding the elementary project.

5. PSBA Reports

- The Delegate Assembly is Saturday, **November 7, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.** at Cumberland Valley School District. Cindy is scheduled to attend.

6. Communications

7. Reports

A. Superintendent's Report- Mr. Thaddeus Kiesnowski

- ESCO
- Education Freedom Tax Credit

B. Business Manager's Report- Mrs. Kim Russian

C. Principal's Report- Mrs. Renee' Lepley, Elementary School; Mrs. Brande Conway, Jr. High School; Mr. Louis Lepley, Sr. High School

D. Solicitor's Report — Mr. Ronald Repak

E. Representative for SCTC- Mr. Lance Shawley

F. Teacher Representative Report- Mr. Dave Remaley or Mrs. Allyson Przybysz

8. Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda October 7 , 2026							
A. Staff Trips and Conferences:							
Name	Conference Title	Location	Date(s)	Cost Estimate	Funding Source		
Kelcy Pelesky	2026 Paving the Way to Educational Success	Lancaster, Pa	Oct 6-7,2026-reaffirm	\$640.09	GF		
Madison Kim	New Teacher Induction	IU8 Altoona	9/14/26-reaffirm	\$52.62	Act 48		
Julianna Hubbard	New Teacher Induction	IU8 Altoona	9/14/26-reaffirm	\$313.07	Act 48		

	Kiesnowski/ Admin — requesting 49 district teachers	Somerset Co. Muti District Professional Learning Day	Berlin SD	10/12/26	\$234.23	T2	
	Melissa Garman	A/CAPA- child accounting fall conference	Hershey	11/4-6/26	\$1,560.21	Curriculum Budget	
	Mikel Balsley	Gifted Network	IU8 Richland	11/18/26	\$264.15	Act 48	
	Steve Mrosko	Fall Art Network	Johnstown	10/22/2026	\$266.48	T2-25/26	
	Michelle Kaltenbaugh	Gifted Boot Camp	IU8 Duncansville, Pa	10/5/26- reaffirm	\$293.01	T2-25/26	
B. Student Trips							
	Teacher/ Requester	Student/Group	Destination/ Purpose	Date(s)	Cost Estimate	Funding Source	
	Diamond	Jr/Sr high Chorus	Somerset Jr/Sr HS	9/11/26- reaffirm	\$379.70	GF	
	Remaley, Pelesky	45 HS sutdents	Penn Highlands CC & UPJ	9/17/26- reaffirm	\$176.80	Guidance/post- secondary exposure	
	Remaley, Mrosko	40- HS English students	Univ of Pitt- Oakland	9/29/2026- reaffirm	\$660.46	English Dept.	
	Walker, Flynn, Shawley	Marching band	Slippery Rock University	10/3/26- reaffirm	\$713.42	EC	
	Bowers, Wilt	75 HS students	National Guard Armory, Friedens	10/14/26	\$237.20	GF	
	Crognale, Barron, Yoder, McDaniels	80 - 7th grade students	Flight 93 Memorial	10/23/26	\$884.03	Friends of Flight 93/ GF	

	Balsley plus one other teacher	NS Physics students	IFly, Ashburn, Va & Udvar-Hazy Center, Chantilly, Va	11/18/26	\$2,335.02	GF	
	Remaley , Keefer	Slippery Rock University	Pittsburgh, Pa	10/21/26	\$986.44	RTL 26-27	
Substitutes — Pending receipt of all the district's required documentation							
	Name						Area
	Tara Adams						IU8 Substitute Teacher Program/ School Nurse
	Sue Brick						IU8 Substitute Teacher Program
C. Van/ Bus Driver's — Pending receipt of all required documentation							
	Name			Vendor			
	Deborah Johnson			Griffith Transportation			
D. Home bound Instruction Request — none at this time							
	Student Grade Level			Duration			
E. Agency Agreements							
	Agency			Term			
	Silver Linings 26-27			To provide BHT-RBT Aide services to support special education staff, pupil services staff and general education teachers and administrators effective 9/7/2026.			

	Children's Aide Home of Somerset County	Children's Aide Home Partial Hospitalization Program Agreement 26-27	
	Lackawanna College	26-27 Dual enrollment agreement	
	Career Rehabilitation Building Services LLC (reaffirm)	26-27 Student Vocational & Transition Services Agreement	
F. Salary Adjustments			
	Name	Description	
	Megan Fulmer	\$300.00 for earning one block of 6 continuing education credits from Carlow University.	
G. Building Volunteers 26-27			
	Name	Building	
	Jessica Barnick	Elementary	
	Maggie Berkey	Elementary	
	Karen Ellison	Elementary	
	Tiara Frazier	Elementary	
	Cymba Fisher	Elementary	
	Krystal Inks	Elementary	
	Lauren Keyser	Elementary	
	Heather Lohr	Elementary	
	Erin Maurer	Elementary	
	Eden Miller	Elementary	

	Nicole Nasewicz	Elementary	
	Wesley Shaffer	Elementary	
	Angela Younkin	Elementary	

9. Extracurricular Committee- Mr. Mike Revak

A. Volunteer Approval

Volunteer Coaches/Advisors			
	Name	Sport	School Year
	Hunter Tremain	Wrestling	26-27

B. Ice Machine Approval

INFORMATION: The current ice machine is broken and beyond repair as the replacement parts are impossible to find.

10. Building and Grounds Committee- Mr. Lance Shawley

A. Construction Project Update

- Gym timeline
- Punch list items
- Discussion : elementary boilers
- Public Facilities Improvement Grant

B. Report from Building and Grounds Committee held 9/11/26

11. Cafeteria Committee- Mrs. Erin Maurer

12. Education and Policy- Mrs. Kathy Shaffer

A. First Reading of School Board Policies

School Board Policies		
	102	Academic Standards
	105	Curriculum
	204.1	Virtual Attendance and Wellness Checks (New Policy)
	209	Health Examinations/Screenings

	246	School Wellness Policy
	249	Bullying/Cyberbullying
	704	Maintenance Policy
	803	School Calendar
	805.2	School Security Personnel Policy
	822	Automated External Defibrillators

B. Discussion: SCTC Aspiring Educator program (historically listed or paired with Teacher Prep or Early Childhood) offers eligible high school seniors a co-op pathway

13. Transportation Committee - Angelo Codispoti

A. Passenger Van Bid Acceptance

See cost analysis in this evening's folder.

14. Negotiations Committee- Mrs. Cindy West

15. Budget and Finance Committee- Mr. Robbie Bloom

A. End of Year Bill Pay

16. Executive Session Items

the board convened into Executive session at ____ p.m.

the board re-convened into open session at ____ p.m.

17. Personnel/ Grievance Committee — Mrs. Caitlin Fleegle

A. Approval of Paid Coaches/ Advisors

Paid Coaches / Advisors				
	Name	Position / Sport / Activity	Salary	School Year
	Christy Pawlowski	Head Varsity/Forensics	\$3,465.00	26-27
	Madison Walker	Asst. Varsity / Forensics	\$2,300.00	26-27
	Glendon Griffith	Asst Jr. High Baseball	\$1,500.00	26-27
	Julianna Hubbard	HS Yearbook Business Advisor	\$1,000.00	26-27

	Chandler Keefer	Head Jr. High Boys Basketball	\$2,300.00	26-27
	Anestasio Musselman	Asst. Jr. High Boys Basketball	\$1,500.00	26-27

B. Retirement Acceptance

No.	Type	Employee Name	Position	Effective Date
1.	Retirement	Nancy Wojnarowski	Asst. Business Manager	6/30/2027

C. Approval of Staff Hire

No.	Name	Position	Building	Salary	Start Date
1.	Morgan Thompson	Paraprofessional	Elementary	\$13.00/hr Associates Degree	TBD

D. Paraprofessional Hours Increase

E. Lighting/ Sound Services

F. Temporary Employment Agreement

18. Adjournment