

# JAMESTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BOARD MINUTES – Board Meeting March 12, 2026

The Jamestown Area School Board met on February 12, 2026, at 6:30 PM with President Ben McElhaney presiding.

Members Present: Becky Bercis, Bob Hutchinson, Kelli Mayer, Ben McElhaney, Adam Miller, Cole Ternent (by phone), Patrick Thomas, Nathan Whitehouse, David Volosin

Others Present: Kevin Boariu, Substitute Superintendent; Gary Kinnear, Director of Special Education; Brian Keyser, High School Principal; Kristin Hope, Elementary Principal; Cheri Gregg, Business Manager; Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary

### **MINUTES**

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the minutes of the meeting held February 12, 2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **New Business**

### **BOARD**

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the following board policies:

POLICY 102 – Academic Standards  
POLICY 105 – Curriculum  
POLICY 122 – Extracurricular Activities  
POLICY 123 – Interscholastic Athletics  
POLICY 209.2 – Diabetes Management  
POLICY 234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students  
POLICY 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance  
POLICY 626.1 – Travel Reimbursement – Federal Programs  
POLICY 827 – Conflict of Interest  
POLICY 918 – Title I Parent and Family Engagement

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to acknowledge the review of POLICY 917 – Parent/Family Engagement. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve Shawna Yesko and her family to attend the Title I PDE State Parent Conference at Seven Springs Resort in Champion, PA on July 6-8, 2026, in the amount of \$1,293.00.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve a change of location and time for the October 8, 2026, school board meeting. The new location and time will be the Mercer County Career Center at 7:00 pm. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the following conference/workshop:

Sarah Peters, Enhance Therapy Effectiveness for APD, Auditory Memory, ADHD, and Language Processing Virtual Conference, April 1, 2026  
Total Cost: \$295.00

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve a supplemental agreement for Jill Taylor, Federal Programs liaison. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the nomination of Kelli Mayer to the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV Board of Directors. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve an In Lieu of Expulsion Agreement for a district student dated 02/26/2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the proposed Mercer County Career Center budget for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV General Operating Budget for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve the following volunteers:

Heather Balas                      Megan Baldesberger                      Jarrod Britton  
Brad Solderich                      Ashley McClure (pending receipt of clearances and TB test)

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **ACADEMIC**

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the following Thiel College student teacher for Spring 2026:

Brooke McKinney with Ashley Lentz

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve 10 hours of mentoring/observation for Thiel College student, Launa Bish, at Jamestown Elementary School beginning March 17, 2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **PERSONNEL**

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve 1.5 days of unpaid leave for Latisha Baca. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve Ryleigh Good and Lillian Schneider as game workers for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to retroactively approve an intermittent FMLA for Rhonda Williams from December 12, 2025, through March 12, 2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve Justin Pipp as head baseball coach and Kurt Groover as the assistant baseball coach. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve Cole Potase as a substitute paraprofessional for the 2025-2026 school year pending receipt of all clearances. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **FINANCE**

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the financial statements for February 2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve payment of bills for February and March 2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the purchase of 30 student iPads and cases, and 55 student Chromebooks and cases, in the estimated amount of \$39,130.50. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the purchase of 11 teacher laptops in the estimated amount of \$12,507.68. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. McElhaney to adjourn the meeting at 7:18pm. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

An Executive Session for Personnel and Legal was held from 7:20 to 8:40 pm



Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary