

JAMESTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES – Board Meeting September 11, 2025

The Jamestown Area School Board met on July 10, 2025, at 6:00 PM with President Ben McElhaney presiding.

Members Present: Becky Bercis, Eric Dell, Bob Hutchinson, Ben McElhaney, Jered McElhaney, Adam Miller, Patrick Thomas, and David Volosin

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

MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the minutes of the meetings held August 14, 2025. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

New Business

BOARD

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson to approve the Jamestown Elementary PTO officers and proposed fundraisers for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the All-Sports Boosters officers and proposed fundraisers for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve Friends of Muskie Music Boosters officers and proposed fundraisers for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the 2025-2026 Title I School-Wide Plan. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Bercis – yes, Dell – yes, Hutchinson – yes, Mayer – yes, B. McElhaney – yes,
J. McElhaney – yes, Miller – yes, Thomas – yes, Volosin – yes

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve the Sponsor-To-Sponsor Agreement between Community Action Partnership of Mercer County and Jamestown Area School District for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve a conference request for Kate Evans-Haines to attend the PHEAA workshop at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV on September 12, 2025. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Jered McElhaney, to retroactively approve the revised Athletic Manual for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Volosin to approve Rhonda Williams to attend Gifted & Academic Games meetings at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV on September 8, 2025, October 10, 2025, December 12, 2025, and May 11, 2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the list of volunteers for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the list of field trips for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

ACADEMIC

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve 12 hours of mentoring/observation for a PennWest University Edinboro student, Marina Adelizzio, with Mary Uplinger at Jamestown High School. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve 5 elementary students to participate in the Mercer County Civics Summit on November 21, 2025, at Penn State Shenango from 7:30 – 12:00. Transportation will be covered by the district. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Jered McElhaney, to approve a letter of resignation from Sam Enterline dated June 14, 2025, from the position of softball head coach. Motion failed by a 6 – 3 roll call vote.

Bercis – no, Dell – no, Hutchinson – yes, Mayer – yes, B. McElhaney – no,
J. McElhaney – yes, Miller – no, Thomas – no, Volosin – no

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to retroactively approve hiring Heather Stanley in the maintenance department at a rate of \$17.05/hour beginning August 20, 2025. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve Olivia Mott as the Assistant Drama Advisor. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve the resignation of Jennifer Miller effective August 22, 2025. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve the advertising and hiring of a paraprofessional (replacing Jennifer Miller). Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Jered McElhaney, to approve Lucas Popielarcheck as the assistant varsity boys' basketball coach. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve Patrick Thomas as the Elementary Cross-Country Coach as an unpaid volunteer. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve Rowan Thomas as the Elementary Assistant Cross-Country Coach pending clearances. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

FINANCE

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Dell, to approve the financial statements for August 2025. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve payment of bills for August and September 2025. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the driver and equipment list for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mr. Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.



Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary