

SOLANCO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of School Directors

August 4, 2025 Board Minutes

The Board of School Directors of Solanco School District met in the boardroom of the Central Administration Office, located at 121 South Hess Street, Quarryville, PA 17566 at 7:30 pm on Monday, August 4, 2025, as advertised.

Mr. Craig Chubb, Board President, called the meeting to order and presided. The School Board Secretary, Sandy Smart, took Roll Call and the following Board members responded to roll call: Mr. Robinson, Mr. Kauffman, Mrs. Ausel, Mr. Roten, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Graybeal, Mr. Kreider, Mr. Musser, and Mr. Chubb.

The following administrators were present: Dr. Brian Bliss, Dr. Robert Dangler and Mrs. Sandra Tucker.

Mr. Chubb led the group in pledging allegiance to the flag. A moment of silence was observed.

Current Areas of District Focus

Study growth in the district and its impact on facilities

Maintain a strong financial base for the district

Continue to develop and maintain a strong K-12 academic program

Presentations – There were no presentations.

Invitation to Speak – No one spoke.

Review August 18, 2025 General Business Meeting Agenda

Business/Financial Reports/Motions

General Fund Reports (Summary, Detailed Activity, Investments, Check Runs) - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mrs. Ausel to approve the General Fund Reports. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the reports can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

Capital Project Fund Reports (Activity, Investments) - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the Capital Project Fund Reports. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the reports can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

Cafeteria Report - A motion was made by Mr. Kauffman, seconded by Mr. Graybeal, to approve the June 2025 Cafeteria Report. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the report can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

Central Penn College Affiliation Agreement - A motion was made by Mr. Musser, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the Central Penn College affiliation agreement. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

Western Governors University Placement Agreement - A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the 3-year Western Governors University Placement Agreement. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

Sunday Building Use Request - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mr. Musser, to approve the Sunday Building Use Request for the annual Solanco School District football training camp during the dates of August 10th through August 14th. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the request can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

Thrive to Five Program Rental Agreement - A motion was made by Mrs. Ausel, seconded by Mr. Graybeal, to approve the Thrive to Five rental agreement for the 25/26 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

2025-2026 Foreign Exchange Student Request - A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Roten, to approve the following Solanco High School Exchange Students for the 25-26 SY. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Andrea Bravo, Italy, residing with LeAnn Todd
Sofia Matteis, Italy, residing with Brad and Abby White
Ignacio Lopez, Spain, residing with Daniel and Jenna Coleman

Maintenance Van Quote Tabulation - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the maintenance van recommendation. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the quote can be found in Supplement Book 0804.

Personnel - A motion was made by Mr. Kreider, seconded by Mr. Roten, to approve the personnel report. Eight voted yes and the motion carried. Mr. Musser abstained from the vote.

Resignations

Bertrum Yancoskie, Custodian, Solanco High School
Reason: Personal
With District Since: October 14, 2024
Effective: June 19, 2025

Ashley Absher, Classroom Aide, Swift Middle School
Reason: Personal
With District Since: August 2017
Effective: June 26, 2025

Andrew Parisan, Classroom Aide, Solanco High School

Reason: Personal

With District Since: October 25, 2023

Effective: June 10, 2025

Sue Phipps, Business Office, Clerical Aide

Reason: Personal

With District Since: January 29, 2024

Last Day of Employment: July 14, 2025

Alicia Trongone, Classroom Aide, Quarryville Elementary

Reason: Personal

With District Since: May 5, 2025

Last Day of Employment: June 9, 2025

Autumn Coolidge, Food Service, High School (will remain on sub list)

Reason: Personal

With District Since: October 21, 2024

Effective: July 9, 2025

Chris Patterson, Assistant Principal, Smith Middle School

Reason: Personal

With District Since: December 19, 2022

Effective: June 30, 2025

Tessa Eichner, Special Ed. Classroom Aide, Quarryville Elementary

Reason: Personal

With District Since: April 13, 2023

Effective: July 24, 2025

Employment

Ashley Risk, Elementary Phys Ed Teacher, QE & Providence Schools

Replaces: Cassidy Harding

Salary: TPE, Bachelor's Degree, Step 1, \$62,235 on the 25-26 Solanco Salary Schedule

Effective: August 14, 2025

Christopher Blackmon, Grade 5 Teacher, Clermont Elementary School

Salary: TPE, Master's Degree, Step 1, \$70,694 on the 25-26 Solanco Salary Schedule

Effective: August 14, 2025

James Barker, Part-Time Custodian, Quarryville Elementary School

Replaces: Trey Beveridge Position (Trey now full time)

Salary: \$14.50 per hour; up to 29 hours per week

Effective: July 9, 2025

Ethan Kauffman, PE Teacher, Smith Middle School

Replaces: Matthew Jansen's position

Salary: TPE, Bachelor's Degree, Step 1, \$62,235 on the 25-26 Solanco Salary Schedule

Effective: August 14, 2025

Ashley Turner, Custodian, Smith Middle School

Replaces: Contracted employee from "City Wide"

Hourly Rate: \$14.50 per hour; 40 hours per week

Effective: July 28, 2025

Jennifer Milligan, Ext. Day Kindergarten Aide, Clermont Elementary

Reason: Accepted position elsewhere

With District Since: August 28, 2023

Effective: July 21, 2025

Change of Assignment

Connor Lewis, Custodian, Providence Elementary School

From student employee to adult employee

Trey Beveridge, Custodian, Solanco High School

From part-time custodian to full-time custodian

Shannon Lewis, Former Title 1 Classroom Aide

New Position: Building Secretary, Smith Middle School

Replaces: Kimberly Williams

Rate: \$17.25 per hour; 40 hours per week

Effective: July 16, 2025

Matthew Jansen, Formerly Smith Middle School Boys PE Teacher

New Position: Dean of Students

Replaces: Chris Patterson

Effective: July 3, 2025

Kayla Minchoff, Former Cafeteria Monitor

New Position: Cafeteria Monitor and Special Ed. Classroom Aide

Effective: August 25, 2025

Request for Sabbatical Leave

Erin Biles, High School Teacher, is requesting sabbatical leave for education purposes for the 2nd semester of the 2025-2026 SY.

Extracurriculars and Athletics

Alexa Musser, Softball Manager, Student, Solanco High School

Salary: \$15.00 per hour; up to 8 hours per week

Effective: March to May 2025

Juliana Tice, Junior High Field Hockey Assistant Coach

Stipend: 46 Points

Effective: 25/26 Season

Cassidy Harding, Resignation, JV Volleyball Coach

Reason: Personal

Effective: July 11, 2025

Building Committee

Policy/Legislation

Dates to Remember

August 11, 2025 - Board Professional Development, 6:00 PM

August 14, 2025 - New Teacher In-Service Day

August 15, 2025 - New Teacher In-Service Day

August 18, 2025 - New Teacher In-Service Day

August 18, 2025 - Building and Grounds Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

August 18, 2025 - Dessert Social, 7:00 p.m., Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ Quarryville Elementary School

August 19, 2025 - Opening Day In-Service for All Staff

August 20-21, 2025 - In-Service

August 25, 2025 - First Day of School

August 29 and September 1, 2025 - Schools Closed - Labor Day Holiday

Executive Session (Personnel) – At 7:57 pm, a motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. All voted yes and the motion carried. At 8:35 pm, a motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Roten to come out of Executive Session. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Adjournment – At 8:35 pm, with no further business, Mr. Kreider made a motion, seconded by Mr. Roten, to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra D. Smart
Board Secretary