

SOLANCO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of School Directors May 18, 2026 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 7:00 pm on Monday, May 18, 2026, as advertised.

Mr. Brian Musser, 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. Kauffman, Mrs. Ausel, Mr. Roten, Mr. Wimer, Mrs. Mohler, Mr. Kreider, and Mr. Musser. Mr. Robinson and Mr. Graybeal were absent.

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

Mr. Musser 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

Guests/Presentations

Solanco School District 2026 retirees were recognized.

Solanco Education Foundation recognized support staff award recipients.

Invitation to Speak – No one spoke.

Approval of Board Minutes - A motion was made Mr. Kreider, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to approve the April 20, 2026 and May 4, 2026 Board Minutes. All voted yes and the motion carried. Copies of the minutes can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Business/Finance/Motions

General Fund Report (Activity, Detailed Activity, Investments, Check Runs) – A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the General Fund Report. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the report can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Capital Project Fund Report (Activity, Investments) - A motion was made by Mrs. Mohler, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the Capital Project Fund Report. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the report can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Cafeteria Report - A motion was made by Mrs. Ausel, seconded by Mr. Roten, to approve the April 2026 cafeteria report. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the report can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Candidates for Graduation - A motion was made by Mrs. Ausel, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the list of 265 candidates for graduation. All voted yes and the motion carried. The list of candidates can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Policies for Annual Review - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the annual review of the following policies. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of each policy can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Policy 103 - Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment – School and Classroom Practices

Policy 247 - Hazing

Policy 249 - Bullying and Cyber Bullying

Policy 815 - Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources

LGH IEP Services Agreement - A motion was made by Mrs. Mohler, seconded by Mr. Kauffman to approve the LGH IEP services agreement for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Solanco-Towers Bi-Lingual Speech Therapist Agreement -A motion was made by Mr. Kauffman, seconded by Mrs. Mohler, to approve the bi-lingual speech therapist agreement for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Spanish/English School Psychologist Agreement - A motion was made by Mr. Kreider, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to approve the independent contractor agreement for Spanish/English school psychologist services for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

River Rock Academy Slots Agreement - A motion was made by Mr. Kauffman, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to approve the agreement for two secondary slots plus elementary services for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

River Rock Academy AEDY Agreement - A motion was made by Mr. Kreider, seconded by Mr. Roten, to approve the AEDY agreement for services for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Sunbelt SLP Agreement - A motion was made by Mrs. Ausel, seconded by Mr. Roten, to approve the Sunbelt SLP Agreement for services for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Dental Services - A motion was made by Mr. Kreider, seconded by Mr. Roten, to approve the dental service agreement for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the service agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Apple Store for Education Institution iPad Quote - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the Apple Store quote for iPads, iPad case with integrated smart connector keyboards, and 4-year AppleCare plan. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the quote can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Franciscan University High School Advantage Program Dual Enrollment Agreement - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to approve the dual enrollment agreement with Franciscan University High School Advantage Program. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Roads to Freedom Center for Independent Living Agreement - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the one-year agreement for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Independent Contractor Agreement between Solanco School District and Margaret Swanson - A motion was made by Mr. Kauffman, seconded by Mr. Roten, to approve the agreement to provide medical review of IEP required for ACCESS program for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

New Story Schools Educational Services Agreement - A motion was made by Mrs. Ausel, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the educational services agreement for the 26/27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the agreement can be found in Supplement Book 0518.

Personnel - A motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to approve the personnel report. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Resignations

Connor Lewis, Custodian, Providence Elementary School
 With District Since: November 19, 2024
 Reason: Accepted position elsewhere
 Last Day of Employment: May 15, 2026

Jenna Mabry, Custodian, Smith Middle School
 With District Since: April 7, 2025
 Reason: Personal
 Last Day of Employment: May 8, 2026

Allison Templeton, 1st Grade Teacher, Clermont Elementary School
 With District Since: August 16, 2019
 Reason: Accepted position elsewhere
 Last Day of Employment: June 10, 2026

Employment

Amber Dewees, LTS, School Counselor, Bart-Colerain Elementary
 LTS for Kelsey Koch on maternity leave
 Salary: \$73,000, Step 1, Master’s Degree, 26-27 SY Salary Schedule
 Effective: August 17, 2026

ESY Staff

Teachers

Christina Cyle
 Taylor Hough
 Nicole Domaracki
 Bonnie Mathis
 Zoe Peeleman
 Tory Spenla
 Alicia Fleming - Sub
 Quay Hannah - Floater

Para-Educators

Amanda Murr
 Patty Simpson
 Linda Groff
 Nancy Baeza
 Nicole Custer
 Lea Cinsey
 Alexis Watkins
 Ashley Caldwell
 Erica Oatman
 Erika Barr
 Sam Kauffman
 Taren Hill
 Sierra Coulter
 Hannah Pedrick
 Hannah Walters
 Erin Coulter

Related Services

Nick Nobile (VB)
 Michaela Craner
 PT (IU13)
 OT

Athletics / Extra-Curricular

Claudia Underwood, Student Manager, Softball, High School
 Salary: \$15.00 per hour

Jonathan Wiley, Golf Coach
 Replacing: Greg Minnich
 Point Value: 71 points (\$54.77 each - \$3,888.67)

Trevor Marsh, Co JV (and Assistant) Boys Basketball Coach (sharing with T. Erb)
 Replaces: Skyler Godfrey
 Point Value: Half of 85 points
 Effective: 26-27 Season

Phillip Thomas, Elementary School Orchestra Advisor
 Replaces: Janet Braightmeyer (retired)
 Point Value: 16 points, not experience, prorated by days worked (\$445.15)
 Effective: January 19, 2026

Change of Assignment

Chelsea Sheets, Special Ed. Aide, Clermont Elementary School

From 15 hours per week to 29 hours per week

Effective: 26/27 School Year

Kathy Northern, Building Secretary, Providence Elementary School

New Position: High School Administrative Assistant, 40 hours per week, 10 months per year

Effective: August 2026

Melissa Biddle, High School Hall Monitor

New Position: High School Attendance Secretary, 40 hours per week, 10 months per year

Effective: August 2026

Updates - Lancaster-Lebanon IU13, LCA, CTC

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Extra-Curricular Committee

Curriculum Committee

Reports

Elementary Class Size Report

Monthly Enrollment Report

Total Student Placement Report

Enrollment Trends, Elem Chart, MS Chart, HS Chart

Cyber Charter Report

The following textbook was presented for review for use with the newly approved Anatomy & Physiology course at Solanco High School.

Course | AP and Electives eBook Library | APHE: eBook Library | McGraw Hill
Science—>Welsh, Hole's Essentials of Human Anatomy and Physiology, 3rd Edition
(Log in information - e-book)

Transportation Committee

Policy/Legislation

Dates to Remember

May 20, 2026 - Senior Awards, 7:00 PM

May 25, 2026 - School Closed, Memorial Day

May 28, 2026 - Smith MS Awards, 6:30 PM

May 31, 2026 - Baccalaureate, 7:00 PM

June 1, 2026 - Agenda Meeting, 7:00 PM
June 2, 2026 - Swift MS Awards, 6:30 PM
June 5, 2026 - Graduation, 7:00 PM
June 9, 2026 - Last Day of School - Early Dismissal (Secondary-11:30; Elementary-12:45)
June 11, 2026 - Administrative Retreat
June 15, 2026 - General Business Meeting, 7:00 PM
No Board Meetings Scheduled in July
August 3, 2026 - Agenda Meeting, 7:00 PM
August 10, 2026 - Board Professional Development, 6:00 PM
August 17, 2026 - New Teacher In-Service Day; Dessert Social 6:30 PM, Board Meeting,
7:00 PM @ Quarryville Elementary School

Excuse Absent Board Member – A motion was made by Mrs. Ausel, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to excuse Mr. Robinson and Mr. Graybeal. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Executive Session – An Executive Session was necessary for the superintendent’s contract. At 8:47 pm a motion was made by Mr. Kauffman, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to go into Executive Session to discuss the superintendent’s contract. All voted yes and the motion carried.

At 9:15 pm, a motion was made by Mr. Roten, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to come out of Executive Session. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Adjournment – At 9:16 pm, with no further business, Mr. Kauffman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra D. Smart
Board Secretary