

SOLANCO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of School Directors

August 3, 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, August 3, 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. Robinson, Mr. Kauffman, Mrs. Ausel, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Graybeal, Mrs. Mohler, Mr. Kreider, and Mr. Musser. Mr. Roten was 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

Presentations

Solanco 2026-27: Preview – Dr. Bliss

Invitation to Speak – No one spoke.

Review August 17, 2026 General Business Meeting Agenda

Business/Financial Reports/Motions

General Fund Report (Activity, Detailed Activity, Investments, Check Runs) – A motion was made by Mr. Graybeal, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the General Fund Report. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the report can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

Capital Project Fund Report (Activity, Investments) - A motion was made by Mr. Kauffman, seconded by Mrs. Mohler, 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 0803.

Cafeteria Report - A motion was made by Mr. Wimer, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to table the June 2026 cafeteria report until the August 17, 2026, board meeting. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Sunday Building Use Requests – A motion was made by Mr. Wimer, seconded by Mr. Robinson, to approve the following Sunday building use requests. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of each request can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

- Elementary Wrestling Tournament – Solanco High School, January 10, 2027

- Mule Scuffle – Solanco High School – December 6, 2026
- Elite Performance Challenge - Solanco High School on May 21-22-23, 2027
- Solanco Youth Baseball - Solanco High School on Saturdays and Sundays in January and February 2027

Policy 113.3 - Screening and Evaluations for Students with Disabilities - A motion was made by Mr. Kreider, seconded by Mrs. Mohler, to approve the First Reading of Policy 113.3. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the policy can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

Policy 113.4 - Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information - A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mrs. Ausel to approve the First Reading of Policy 113.4. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the policy can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

Policy 236.1 - Threat Assessment - A motion was made by Mr. Graybeal, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the First Reading of Policy 236.1. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the policy can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

Policy 250 - Student Recruitment - A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the First Reading of Policy 250. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the policy can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

Policy 252 - Dating Violence - A motion was made by Mr. Kauffman, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to approve the First Reading of Policy 252. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the policy can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

Policy 543 - Paid Holidays - A motion was made by Mr. Graybeal, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the First Reading of Policy 543. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the policy can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

TeenHope MOU - A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mrs. Ausel, to approve the TeenHope MOU for the 26-27 school year. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the MOU can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

HS Environmental Sensors Quote/Tabulation - A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the quote for environmental sensors at the high school. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the quote can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

National FFA Convention Trip Request - A motion was made by Mr. Graybeal, seconded by Mr. Kreider, to approve the request for students to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana on October 5-9, 2026. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Change Order Summary – A motion was made by Mr. Wimer, seconded by Mrs. Mohler, to approve the highlighted change orders for the restroom renovation at Solanco High School. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of each change order can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

Student Accident Insurance Quote - A motion was made by Mrs. Mohler, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the premium quotation with United States Fire Insurance Company. All voted yes and the motion carried. A copy of the quote and premium history can be found in Supplement Book 0803.

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

Resignations

Laura Treese, Food Service, Swift Middle School
With District Since: September 4, 2025
Reason: Retirement
Effective: June 10, 2026

Karleigh Henderson, Food Service, High School
With District Since: October 15, 2025
Reason: Personal
Effective: June 10, 2026

Kim Main, Food Service, Swift Middle/Clermont Elementary Schools
With District Since: September 26, 2024
Reason: Personal
Effective: June 10, 2026

Stephanie Stoltzfus, Elementary School Counselor, Providence Elementary
With District Since: March 22, 2023
Reason: Accepted position in another school district
Effective: August 19, 2026

Vicky Barker, Special Ed. Classroom Aide, Swift Middle School
With District Since: September 17, 2025
Reason: Accepted position elsewhere
Last Day of Employment: June 9, 2026

Kristen Mertle, Food Service, Providence Elementary School
With District Since: February 9, 2022
Reason: Personal
Last Day of Employment: June 9, 2026

Annie Bachman, Title I Aide, Quarryville Elementary School
With District Since: November 10, 2025
Reason: Personal
Last Day of Employment: June 9, 2026

Warren Walter, Substitute Aide

With District Since: November 13, 2014

Reason: Retirement

Effective: July 21, 2026

Samantha Kauffman, Special Ed. Classroom Aide, Solanco High School

With District Since: March 16, 2026

Reason: Personal

Effective: July 23, 2026

Employment

Bailee Wagner, Purchasing Coordinator

Replaces: Portions of Bryce Schmidt's responsibilities

Hourly Rate: \$19.00 per hour; 40 hours per week

Effective: July 13, 2026

Kelly Genn, Attendance Secretary, Providence Elementary School

Replaces: New Position

Hourly Rate: \$15.00 per hour; up to 29 hours per week

Effective: August 2026

Jadyn Richardson, Grade 4 Teacher, Providence Elementary School

Replaces: Amy Markley

Salary: Step 1, Bachelor's Degree, \$64,000 on the 26/27 Solanco Salary Schedule

Effective: August 17, 2026

Alivia Lichtner, LTS, Grade 2, Bart-Colerain and Clermont Elementary Schools

Replaces: Taylor Holder and Taylor Ortlip while on maternity leave

Salary: Bachelor's Degree, Step 1 on the 26-27 Solanco Salary Schedule

Effective: August 17, 2026

Yan Mejias, Student Custodian, Providence Elementary School

Replaces: Connor Lewis

Hourly Rate: \$15.25 per hour; up to 29 hours per week

Effective: July 16, 2026

Dylan Vernon, Custodian, Solanco High School

Replaces: Brandon Vinson's position (Brandon moved to Lead Custodian)

Hourly Rate: \$15.50 per hour; 40 hours per week

Effective: July 20, 2026

Gerard Burns, Food Service, Providence Elementary School

Replaces: TBD

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

Effective: August 20, 2026

Jacqueline Parise, Elementary School Counselor, Providence Elementary School

Replaces: Stephanie Stolfus

Annual Salary: \$73,557, Master's Degree, Step 2 on the 26/27 Solanco Salary Schedule

Effective: August 17, 2026

Savannah Landis, TPE, .5 Kindergarten Teacher, Bart-Colerain Elementary School

Replaces: New Position

Annual Salary: \$64,000, Bachelor's Degree, Step 1 on the 26/27 Solanco Salary Schedule, Pro-Rated

Effective: August 17, 2026

Breanna Ey, Special Ed. Aide, Quarryville Elementary School

Replaces: Jewell Stoltzfus

Hourly Rate: \$14.60 per hour; up to 29 hours per week

Effective: August 20, 2026

Mindy Jones, LTS Kindergarten Teacher, Quarryville Elementary

Replaces: Nicole Petersheim while on maternity leave

Salary: \$64,000 Bachelor's Degree, Step 1 on the 26/27 Solanco Salary Schedule

Effective: August 17, 2026

Change of Assignment

Piper Haupt, From Business Office to Transportation Assistant

Hourly Rate: \$19.00 per hour; 40 hours per week

Replaces: Open/Previously held by Stacy Lewis

Effective: July 1, 2026

Kelly Hirt, From Ext. Day Kindergarten Aide to Title I Aide, Clermont Elementary School

Effective: 26/27 School Year

Brandon Vinson, From Custodian to Lead Custodian

Replaces: Vickie Long

New Hourly Rate: \$17.50 per hour

Effective: July 13, 2026

Extracurriculars and Athletics

Resignation - Tim Lewis, Parking Lot Attendant

Employment - Alain Herr, Jr. High Volleyball Coach

Replaces: Anya Fisher

Stipend: 61 points (61 x \$54.77 = \$3,340.97)

Effective: July 1, 2026

2026-2027 Salary Book

Assistant Superintendent Reappointment - A motion was made by Mrs. Mohler, seconded by Mr. Wimer, to reappoint Dr. Robert Dangler as Assistant Superintendent for a 5-year term, effective July 1, 2027. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Superintendent Reappointment - A motion was made by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Kauffman, to reappoint Dr. Brian Bliss as Superintendent for a 4-year term, effective July 1, 2027. All voted yes and the motion carried.

Building Committee

Policy/Legislation

Dates to Remember

August 10, 2026 - Board Professional Development, 6:00 PM

August 17, 2026 - New Teacher In-Service Day; Dessert Social, 6:30 p.m.,

Agenda Meeting 7:00 p.m. @ Quarryville Elementary School

August 18, 2026 - New Teacher In-Service Day

August 19, 2026 - New Teacher In-Service Day

August 20-21, 2026 - In-Service

August 24, 2026 - In-Service

August 25, 2026 - First Day of School

September 4, 2026 - Schools Closed - Labor Day Holiday

September 7, 2026 - Schools Closed - Labor Day Holiday

September 14, 2026 - Agenda Meeting, 7:00 PM

September 21, 2026 - General Business Meeting, 7:00 PM

Executive Session (If necessary, purpose will be announced) – Not necessary.

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

Adjournment – At 8:08 pm, with no further business, Mr. Robinson 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