

CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Davidsville, Pennsylvania

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

OCTOBER 12, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

1. Guests and Sunshine Act Public Comment Period (Each participant's statement shall be limited to three (3) minutes; public comment session shall be limited to not more than thirty (30) minutes.)
2. Reports
3. Student Education
 - A. Informational Item – Discipline Reports (attached)
4. School Activities
 - A. Field Trip/Competition Requests
 1. Permission for Angela Callihan to accompany Life Skills students (9) to Camp Hamilton for a Halloween Party on Thursday, October 29, 2026 at a cost of \$450/travel (budgeted).
 2. Permission for Jennifer Custer/Lee Salem to accompany the Speech Team (20) to Cambria Heights High School for a Demo Meet on Wednesday, October 28, 2026 at a cost of \$670: \$350/travel; \$320/substitutes (budgeted).
 3. Permission for Ashley Kopp to accompany Life Skills students (13) on the following budgeted community-based instruction experiences:

Career Rehab. Building Services/Tour Facility	10/23/2026	\$200/travel
Giant Eagle/Shopping	10/26/2026	No Cost
Market Basket/Shopping	11/16/2026	No Cost
Go Moore Store/Job Skills	11/23/2026	No Cost
Giant Eagle/Shopping	12/14/2026	No Cost
 4. Permission for Mari Grace Lingenfelter to accompany choir members (5) to Rockwood Area High School for District 6 Chorus Auditions on Sunday, October 18, 2026 at a cost of \$60/registration (budgeted).
 5. Permission for Mari Grace Lingenfelter to accompany music students (24) to participate in Junior/Senior High County Chorus at North Star High School on November 23-24, 2026 (Monday-Tuesday) at a cost of \$1,250: \$480/registration; \$450/travel; \$320/substitutes (budgeted).
 6. Permission for Jakeb Rising and Junior/Senior High Scholastic Quiz Team members (20) to participate in the Virtual 30-20-10 Challenge via the Long Island Quiz Bowl Alliance on Monday, November 16, 2026 at a cost of \$220: \$120/registration; \$100/meals (budgeted).
 7. Permission for Jakeb Rising to accompany students (14) to UPJ to participate in the MathCounts Chapter Competition on Saturday, February 20, 2027 at a cost of \$454: \$294/registration; \$160/meals (budgeted).

8. Permission for Jakeb Rising to accompany physics students (8) to Penn State Beaver to participate in the High School Science Conference on Friday, May 7, 2027 at a cost of \$160/substitute (budgeted).
9. Permission for Bethany Spengler to accompany the Art Club (15) to St. Francis Sharing and Caring to volunteer and paint windows on Thursday, October 29, 2026 at no cost to the district.
- B. Request permission for Erik McClemens (Grade 12, home-schooled student) to participate in the Varsity Basketball, Baseball, and Track/Field programs during the 2026-2027 school year in accordance with Board Policy.
- C. Informational Items
 1. Synopsis for this year's High School Musical, "Sister Act" (attached)
 2. Elementary Newsletter, Secondary Newsletter & Contownian (attached)
5. Human Development
 - A. Conference Requests
 1. Permission for Renee Dryer/Alyshia Mock to attend the Text Dependent Analysis Learning Series at I.U. 8/Duncansville on October 7, October 19, and November 9, 2026 at a cost of \$1,523: \$300/registration; \$203/travel; \$60/meals; \$960/substitutes (budgeted).
 2. Permission for Kara Duplin/Kellie Hankinson/Erin Stroz to attend the Counselor Network at I. U. 8/Altoona on Friday, October 30, 2026 at a cost of \$70/travel (budgeted).
 3. Permission for Kellie Hankinson to attend the Somerset County Student Assistance Program Networking Day at The Event Center/Somerset on Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at cost of \$25/registration (budgeted).
 - B. Request approval of a change in Salary Schedule Placement in accordance with Article VIII, Section 6, of the Professional Agreement: Diane Feathers – Master's + 30.
 - C. Recommend approval of the request from Employee No. 900623 to take a sabbatical leave beginning September 21, 2026 and continuing through the remainder of the 2026-2027 school year in accordance with Policy No. 438.
 - D. Request approval of the following individuals as Before and After School Tutors at the hourly rate as outlined in Article VIII, Section 7, of the Professional Agreement: Lorrie Callihan, Rebecca Conn, Meribeth DeBarto, Emily Del Signore, Renee Dryer, Kimberly Garman, Heather Ladika, Becky Lough, Christine Magistro, Kelly McCall, Eva McDannell, Janelle Mowery, Lori Reese, Jakeb Rising, Michele Roman, Amy Stone, Elyse Uhlig, and Tammy Williams. (District Funds)
 - E. Request approval of additional Substitute Teachers submitted by Ignite Education Solutions for the 2026-2027 school year: Hunter Bailey (Emergency); Robert Troy Burkey (Math 7-12); Amelia Calpin (Grades PK-4); Derek Coker (Grades PK-4); Benjamin Cotchen (Social Studies 7-12); Brianna Fox (Emergency); Michael Gordon (Emergency); Cheryl Hohman (Social Studies 7-12/Business-Computer-Info Tech PK-12); Tarah Mauzy (Emergency); Madalynn Reed (Supplemental Health Assistant); Sierra Reitz (Emergency); Zoey Shultz (Grades PK-4/Special Ed.); Jenny Wallace (Emergency).
 - F. Request approval to add Michelle Blough and Cheryl Howell to the Substitute Cafeteria List, pending receipt of documentation.

- G. Request appointment of Noah J. Getson as Assistant Buildings & Grounds Supervisor/Field Specialist retroactive to October 5, 2026, at a rate of \$19.30 per hour for the 2026-2027 school year, with fringe benefits to be as outlined in the Buildings and Grounds Employees' Handbook and include four (4) vacation days and two (2) emergency days (prorated) for the 2026-2027 school year, and pending receipt of clearances.
- H. Request approval to change the employment status of Lisa A. Schmerer from Substitute Custodian to Custodian beginning as soon as she is available, at a rate of \$12.21 per hour for the 2026-2027 school year, with fringe benefits to be as outlined in the Buildings and Grounds Employees' Handbook and include vacation days prorated according to her start date and based on a yearly total of five days and two (2) emergency days for the 2026-2027 school year.
- I. Request approval to change the employment status of Johna Pongrac-Baroni from Substitute to Kitchen Helper (High School) at a rate of \$11.29 per hour for four (4) hours per day, effective October 21, 2026, with fringe benefits to be as outlined in the Cafeteria Employees' Handbook and include one and one-half (1.5) emergency days (prorated) for the 2026-2027 school year.
- J. Request approval to change the employment status of Tanya Blank from Kitchen Helper (High School - 4 hours) to Cook (Elementary & High School) at a rate of \$12.21 per hour for six and one-half (6.5) hours per day, effective October 21, 2026, with fringe benefits to be as outlined in the Cafeteria Employees' Handbook.
- K. Request appointment of the following bona fide volunteer athletic/extracurricular personnel with compensation as listed for the 2026-2027 school year:

Catherine Grove	Elementary Instrumental Co-Director	\$541 (due to absence of Elementary Music Teacher)
Eric Konieczny	Elementary Vocal Director	\$773 (pending documentation)
John Plunkard	Assistant Rifle Team Coach	\$1,545 (pending documentation)

- L. Request approval to change the status of Jenna Weaver from a paid bona fide volunteer to an unpaid volunteer for Junior High Cheerleading during the 2026-2027 school year.
- M. Request approval of the following additional volunteers for the 2026-2027 school year:

Melanie Alwine	Elementary School
Kate Bridge	Elementary School
Laken Cook	Elementary School
Kayla Day	Elementary School
Angela Donnelly	Elementary School
Kayla Fisher	Elementary School
Kayla Heinrich	Elementary School
Courtney Hicks	Elementary School
Jeri Lynn Hunsberger	Elementary School
Susan Kuzmiak	Elementary School
Joshua McDannell	Elementary School/Elementary Wrestling
Thomas Mitchell	Musical/Golf
John Oleskey	Varsity Girls' Basketball
Ashley Pollino	Elementary School
Brittany Risch	Elementary School
Steven Risch	Varsity Boys' Basketball
Krista Shaffer	Elementary School
Heather Snell	Elementary School
Megan Stevanus	Elementary School

Jessalynn Thomas	Elementary School
Susan Towns	Elementary School
Michelle Wozniak	Elementary School
Faith Wyandt	Elementary School

6. Support Services

- A. Request approval of the Letter of Agreement with Goodwill Southern Alleghenies, Inc., to provide School to Work Transition services for students with disabilities for the period from September 1, 2026 to August 31, 2027, with costs to be as outlined in the agreement. (attached)
- B. Request authorization for the Superintendent to sign the Letter of Agreement with the Children's Aid Home to provide services to district students in placement during the 2026-2027 school year at a cost of \$55 per day for the Adolescent Partial Hospitalization Program. (same as last year)

7. District or Business Planning

8. Buildings & Grounds

A. Use of Facilities Requests

- 1. C. T. Soccer Boosters/Junior High Banquet
High School Cafeteria
Thursday, October 22, 2026 (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.)
Shannon Poole
- 2. Travel Basketball Team/Tryouts
High School Gym
Sunday, November 8, 2026 (12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
Paul Baer
- 3. Grade 5 Boys' Basketball
Elementary School Gym/Cafeteria
Wednesdays – Mid-November 2026 through February 2027 (5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)
Jeremy Ferguson
- 4. C. T. Soccer Boosters/MS Dance
High School Cafeteria
Wednesday, November 18, 2026 (4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)
Lori Shropshire

B. Request permission to advertise for sealed bids to sell the following items:

2008 Ford F-250 Truck
Western Pro F/O 900 Hitch Salter
Western 8-foot Plow

9. Budget & Finance

10. Other Items

11. Executive Session