

July Board Business Meeting
Thursday, July 23, 2026 7:00 PM Eastern

ESC Board Room
1560 Delmar Drive
Folcroft, PA 19032

Francesca Barley: Present
Cleo Bey Goodman: Present
Reyshon Fowler: Absent
John Lafferty: Absent
Michele McGowan: Present
Patrick McGowan: Present
Kinji Ridley: Present
Trina Singleton: Present
Rochelle Womack: Present
Present: 7, Absent: 2.

I. Opening Items

I.1. Call to Order - Francesca Barley, President

I.2. Salute to Flag

I.3. Roll Call - Mr. James Donovan, Board Secretary

I.4. Comments/Announcements by Francesca Barley, Board President

I.5. Student Representatives Report

I.6. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Jeffrey Ryan

II. Presentations & Recognitions

III. Agenda Approval

IV. Approvals

- Minutes Special Board Meeting June 18, 2026: p. 17
- Minutes Board Business Meeting June 25, 2026 p. 19

- General Fund \$ 1,111,702.02
- Cafeteria Fund \$ 694.72
- Total Gross Payroll \$ 4,998,127.58
- **Total \$ 6,110,524.32**

- Treasurers Report p. 42
- Bills or Payment p. 43

V. Old/Unfinished Business - p.

VI. New Business - p.

***All contracts are subject to review and approval of the solicitor**

VI.1. **Ratify** the resignation of School Board Director, Mr. John Lafferty, effective June 25, 2026.

VII. New Business - Education

VII.1. **Ratify** the 2026-2027 tuition contract between Southeast Delco School District and YALE Philadelphia School that commence on July 6, 2026, for a total of 210 days for the following students:

Student # 136002

Student # 434017

Supporting document attached

VII.2. **Ratify** the 2026-2027 tuition contract between Southeast Delco School District and YALE Cherry Hill School that commence on July 6, 2026 for a total of 210 days for student # 236005.

Supporting document attached

VII.3. **Ratify** tuition agreement for Extended School Year for the summer 2026 between Southeast Delco School District and Keystone Freedom Academy for the following students: Student # 329172

Student # 9516038

Supporting document attached

VII.4. **Ratify** Extended School Year Contract for the summer of 2026 between Southeast Delco School District Pennsylvania School for the Deaf for the following students:

Student # 9323002

Student # 327069

Student # 335082

Student # 235003

Supporting document attached

VII.5. **Ratify** Extended School Year contract for the summer of 2026 between Southeast Delco School District and Martin Luther School for the following student:

320127

Supporting document attached

VII.6. **Ratify** the contract for a Registered Behavioral Technician provided through BlazerWorks for Extended School Year for the following student:

#129125

Supporting document attached

VII.7. **Ratify** the purchase of novels supporting APHS CommonLit Curriculum through BulkBookstore at the cost of \$5,448.00 to be paid from the general fund.

Supporting document attached

VII.8. **Approve** the 2026-2027 tuition contract between Southeast Delco School District and Pennsylvania School for the Deaf that commence on August 31, 2026, and ends on June 16, 2027 for the following students:

Student # 335082 Student # 235003

Supporting document attached

VII.9. **Approve** the Intensive Support Supplemental Agreement for the 2026–2027 school year for CADES in Wallingford, PA for student:

#9325001.

Supporting document attached

VII.10. **Approve** the One-to-One Staffing Supplemental Agreement for the 2026–2027 school year to provide individualized staffing support for student at CADES in Wallingford, PA:

#9325001

Supporting document attached

VII.11. **Approve** the independent contract for Child Guidance Resource Center to provide 1 staff member 1 day a week to provide School Based Mental Health Services for the 2026-2027 school year.

Supporting document attached

VII.12. **Approve** the Confidential Settlement Agreement for student # 337001.

VII.13. **Approve** the date and location of the Academy Park High School 2027 graduation on June 10, 2027 at Neumann University.

VII.14. **Approve** the expulsion of the following student:

<u>ID</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Reason</u>
327085	05/11/2026	APHS	Weapon

VII.15. **Approve** the contract with Holcomb Behavioral Health Systems to provide Student Assistance Program (SAP) services for the 2026-2027 school year at a yearly rate of \$95,337.25.

Supporting document attached

VII.16. Approve the acceptance of the 2026-2027 ACSI Plan for Academy Park High School.

Supporting document attached

VII.17. **Approve** the attendance of the following individuals at the Johns Hopkins Online APSI 2026 to be held from August 3rd to August 6th, 2026, at a cost not to exceed \$1175.00 per person, to be paid from the general fund:

Madeline Bair

Matthew Lee

Supporting document attached

VII.18. **Approve** the attendance of the following individuals at the PaPBS & MTSS Implementers' Forum to be held from November 4th to November 6th, 2026, in Harrisburg, Pa, at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00 per person, to be paid from the general fund:

Jessica Sacrenty

Michelle Smith

Jacob Kelk
Matthew Lee
Vincent Pharo
Supporting document attached

VII.19. **Approve** the one-year agreement from the DCIU to support the implementation and development of the 9th Grade Science course for Academy Park High School at a cost not to exceed \$15,350.00 to be paid from the general fund.*Supporting document attached*

VII.20. **Approve** the six-year agreement to purchase the American Politics and Government Today, AP Edition, W.W. Norton & Company, Inc. curriculum at a cost of \$3,450.00 to be paid from the general fund.
Supporting document attached

VII.21. **Approve** the six-year agreement to purchase Myers' Psychology for the AP Course, BFW Publishers curriculum at a cost of \$6,491.37 to be paid from the general fund.
Supporting document attached

VII.22. **Approve the out-of-state student field trip to The Power of YOUth: Imagination into Action READ Alliance Annual Youth Summit on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at Fordham University at Lincoln Center, 113 West 60th Street, New York, NY 10023.**
Supporting document attached

VIII. New Business - Finance

VIII.1. **Approve** the one-year contract for the 2026-2027 school year with Safe Corridors in the amount of \$587,510.00 to be paid from the general fund.
Supporting document attached

VIII.2. **Approve** the Resolution authorizing the filing of real estate assessment appeals under certain circumstances.

WHEREAS, the Consolidated County Assessment Law, specifically Title 53 Pa.C.S. § 8855 gives taxing districts the right to file appeals of real estate tax assessments; and
WHEREAS, this right to file appeals is subject to certain restrictions and limitations as enunciated by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court in its recent decision *Valley Forge Towers Apartments N, LP v. Upper Merion Area School District*, 163 A.3d 962 (2017); and
WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court has indicated that a taxing district's use of a monetary threshold to determine which appeals to pursue could be an acceptable method of exercising the statutory right to appeal; and
WHEREAS, Southeast Delco School District is committed to taking steps necessary to see that the real estate tax burden is uniformly distributed over all property types and without regard for the residency status of the property owner; and
WHEREAS, a reasonable cost-benefit analysis is important to ensure that any established monetary threshold used to determine which appeals to pursue should ensure that appraisers' and attorneys' fees incurred in pursuing the appeals would be recouped;
AND NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The district's Business Administrator shall be responsible for identifying properties for a reverse assessment appeal and consult with the district's solicitor on these matters. The district Business Administrator and solicitor may utilize caselaw and statutory changes to file and litigate a reverse assessment appeal and the value of the underlying property.

Section 2. To identify potential properties that may be subject to a reverse assessment appeal and to be uniform and consistent, the district Business Administrator will identify real estate, regardless of property type (residential, commercial, industrial etc.), that will result in a \$10,000 or more increase in tax revenue over three (3) years.

Section 3. The district Business Administrator may also hire, consult with or solicit review by an independent appraisal firm to identify properties within the district that are underassessed.

Section 4. This policy shall be effective immediately. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall review this policy every three (3) years and recommend necessary revisions to the Board.

Supporting document attached

VIII.3. **Approve** the agreement with Valbridge Property Advisors in the initial amount of \$6,250.00 to provide appraisal services for tax assessments to be paid for from the general fund.

Supporting document attached

VIII.4. Approve the Solicitor to initiate tax assessment appeals for fifteen (15) properties identified as under-assessed, and to take all necessary actions to effectively pursue these appeals.

Supporting document attached

IX. New Business - Human Resources

IX.1. **Ratify** the retirement of the following Classified employee:

Name:	Carol Stewart
Assignment:	Bus Aide
Location:	Bus Depot
Effective:	June 16, 2026
<i>Carol has served the district for 16 years.</i>	

IX.2. **Ratify** the resignation of the following Professional employees:

Name: Achankeng Fonge
Assignment: Math Teacher
Location: Academy Park High School
Effective: July 1, 2026

Name: Kimberly Willis
Assignment: Science Teacher
Location: Academy Park High School

Effective: July 6, 2026

IX.3. Ratify the resignation of the following Security employee:

Name: Xavier Blakely
Assignment: School Security Officer
Location: Academy Park High School
Effective: July 1, 2026

IX.4. Ratify the resignation of the following Classified employee:

Name: Taleem Bryant
Assignment: IT Tech Support
Location: Darby Township School
Effective: July 18, 2026

IX.5. Ratify the employment of the following Classified employees:

Name: Joel Ijeboi
Assignment: IT Tech Support
Location: Academy Park High School
Salary: \$23.61
Effective: June 29, 2026

Name: Izahe' East
Assignment: IT Tech Support
Location: Darby Township School
Salary: \$23.61
Effective: July 6, 2026

Name: Stephanie Feeser
Assignment: Facilities Secretary
Location: Educational Service Center
Salary: \$23.64
Effective: July 13, 2026

IX.6. Approve the resignation of the following Professional employee:

Name: Keyshaun Patterson
Assignment: Special Education Autistic Support Teacher
Location: Delcroft School
Effective: August 3, 2026
Name: Kristin Manigly
Assignment: Special Education Intensive Learning
Location: Sharon Hill School
Effective: September 1, 2026

IX.7. Approve the employment of the following Management employees:

Name: Tabyus Walker
Assignment: Assistant Principal
Location: Darby Township School
Salary: \$115,000.00

Name: Mary Shafer
Assignment: Dean of Students
Location: Darby Township School
Salary: \$82,500.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

IX.8. Approve the employment of the following Professional employees:

Name: Alison Andrawos
Assignment: English Language Development Teacher
Location: Academy Park High School
Salary: Bachelors +15 Step 16, \$87,591.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Amanda McCawley
Assignment: Special Education Learning Support Teacher
Location: Darby Township School
Salary: Masters Step 16, \$92,900.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Anne-Marie Ward
Assignment: School Social Worker
Location: Sharon Hill School
Salary: Masters +15 Step 12, \$85,513.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Christine Friel
Assignment: Special Education Learning Support Teacher
Location: Sharon Hill School
Salary: Masters +15 Step 15, \$93,946.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Dakota McCaughan
Assignment: Supplemental Teacher
Location: Harris School
Salary: Bachelors Step 1, \$56,924.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Emily Thiemann
Assignment: 3rd Grade Teacher
Location: Sharon Hill School
Salary: Masters Step 7, \$67,772.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Melissa Stubblefield
Assignment: Health & Physical Education Teacher
Location: Academy Park High School
Salary: Masters Step 16, \$92,900.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Rosa Meeder
Assignment: 6th Grade Math Teacher
Location: Delcroft School
Salary: Masters Step 3, \$66,001.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Tiana Mack
Assignment: 4th Grade Teacher
Location: Sharon Hill School
Salary: Masters Step 13, \$83,552.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Zachary Mathews
Assignment: Science Teacher
Location: Academy Park High School
Salary: Bachelors Step 1, \$56, 924.00
Effective: August 18, 2026

IX.9. Approve the employment of the following Classified employees:

Name: Amirah Maloney
Assignment: Health Room Aide
Location: Harris School
Salary: \$28.07
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Brennon Jones
Assignment: Personal Care Aide
Location: Darby Township School
Salary: \$21.37
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Brittany Chennault
Assignment: Special Education Aide
Location: Kindergarten Center
Salary: \$21.37
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: David Johnson
Assignment: Bus Driver
Location: Bus Depot
Salary: \$28.07
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Diana Skeba
Assignment: Special Education Aide
Location: Academy Park High School
Salary: \$21.37
Effective: August 18, 2026

Name: Marielena Rios
Assignment: Non-Instructional Aide
Location: Sharon Hill School
Salary: \$18.48
Effective: August 18, 2026

IX.10. Approve the Change of Assignment for the following Classified employee:

Name: Michelle Keys
Assignment: Food Service Pres/Cashier/Delcroft School
Location: Special Education Aide/Delcroft School
Salary: \$21.91
Effective: August 25, 2026

IX.11. Approve the Change of Assignment for the following Professional employees:

Name: Bernadette Cook
From: 5th Grade Teacher/Sharon Hill School
To: 4th Grade Teacher/Harris School
Salary: No Change
Effective: August 25, 2026

Name: Claudia Ciepiela
From: Kindergarten Teacher/Kindergarten Center
To: English Language Development Teacher/Sharon Hill School
Salary: No Change

Effective: August 25, 2026

Name: Lisa McDonough
From: 3rd Grade Teacher/Delcroft School
To: Teacher Coach/District Wide
Salary: No Change
Effective: August 25, 2026

Name: Michael Kunz
From: Business Long Term Substitute/ Academy Park High School
To: 8th Grade Math Teacher/Harris School
Salary: No Change
Effective: August 25, 2026

Name: Morgan Joner
From: Supplemental Teacher/Darby Township School
To: 1st Grade Teacher/ Darby Township School
Salary: No Change
Effective: August 25, 2026

IX.12. **Approve** the leave of absence for the following Professional employee:

Employee ID# 5804
Assignment: Special Education Teacher
Location: Harris School
Status: FMLA
Effective: August 25, 2026
Returning: November 23, 2026

IX.13. **Approve the following revised job descriptions:**

- Climate Coach
 - Data Systems/PIMS Specialist
 - Director of Special Education
 - 21st CLCC Grant and Special Projects Administrator
 - Director of Curriculum
 - Director of Pupil Services
- Supporting document attached*

IX.14. **Approve the Change of Assignment for the following Management employee:**

Name: Dr. Marchelle Foreman
From: Chief of Strategic Initiatives
To: Director of Pupil Services
Salary: No Change

Effective: July 23, 2026

X. New Business - Policy - No Items

XI. New Business - Property

XI.1. **Ratify** the contract with C.J. Maintenance Inc, for contracted summer custodial services district-wide in the amount of \$224,772.66, to be paid from general fund. Effective July 1, 2026, through August 18th, 2026.

Supporting document attached

XII. Public Comments - Agenda Items

Persons wishing to comment must:

- Live or work within the district.
- Complete and submit a tan comment card before the public comment portion of the meeting.
- Limit their comments to **three (3) minutes**.

XIII. County/Community Committees

XIII.1. DCCC - Mrs. Francesca Barley

XIII.2. DCIU - Mrs. Rochelle Womack

XIII.3. Legislative Council/PSBA - Mr. Patrick McGowan

XIV. Solicitor's Report - Mr. Sean Kilkenny, Esquire

XV. Administrative Team Update

XVI. Public Comments - Non Agenda Items

Persons wishing to comment must:

- Live or work within the district.
- Complete and submit a tan comment card before the public comment portion of the meeting.
- Limit their comments to **three (3) minutes**.

XVII. Upcoming Meetings

Committee of the Whole – Thursday, August 20, 2026 – 6:00 PM

School Board Business – Thursday, August 27, 2026– 7:00 PM

XVIII. Adjournment