



Joint Board of Directors' Meeting
VIRTUAL
Wednesday, January 27, 2026
MINUTES

The meeting convened at 6:34 p.m. Ms. Baum called the meeting to order.

I. Roll Call/Attendance

Board Members Present:

Mr. Corey Thurman	Central York School District
Mr. Scott Wingard	Dallastown Area School District
Mr. Terry Emig, Treasurer	Dover Area School District
Ms. Tiffany Manning	Northeastern School District
Ms. Karen Baum	Spring Grove Area School District
Ms. Teri Mickle	West Shore School District
Mr. Daniel Rice	West York Area School District
Mr. Steve Whitely	York Suburban School District

Board Members Not Present:

Mr. Bryan Fink	Eastern York School District
Mr. Troy Engle	Red Lion Area School District

Dr. Mancuso, Ms. Ackerman, and Mr. Geller were also present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Ms. Baum

Minutes from the January 14, 2026 virtual meeting were presented for approval.

The motion was approved 8 Yes – 0 No.

III. DISCUSSION ITEM

- A. PSDLAF bank account opened and monies from the M&T Bank capital reserve account of approximately \$37k has been transferred into PSDLAF Max account earning over 3.5%.
- B. 2026-2027 YAA proposed budget with 2 options were discussed. Mr. Geller explained the 2 options and a 1-year budget forecast for both options. Q&A followed.
- C. Ms. Ackerman has a meeting scheduled this week with a student information system company called Alma. She thinks this may be the one to select.
- D. The 2026-27 draft calendar presented and to be approved at the February meeting.
- E. Mr. Wingard requested that Ms. Ackerman put together a draft contract agreement for board review at the next meeting. The terms of the agreement are for member school districts to commit to 3-year membership terms. A maximum membership per seat increase is to be included.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approval of Treasurer's Reports:
 1. December 2025

There was a motion by Mr. Thurman and a second by Mr. Rice to approve the treasurer report. The motion was approved 8 Yes – 0 No.

B. Approval of Bills:

1. December 2025

There was a motion by Mr. Rice and a second by Mr. Thurman to approve the monthly bills. The motion was approved 8 Yes – 0 No.

C. Approval of the list of winter graduates.

There was a motion by Mr. Emig and a second by Mr. Thurman to approve the list of winter 2026 YAA graduates. The motion was approved 8 Yes – 0 No.

D. Approval of a new student information system (SIS).

There was a motion by Mr. Rice and a second by Mr. Whitely to approve the purchase a new student information system (SIS) not to exceed \$6k for implementation for the 2026-27 school year. The motion was approved 7 Yes – 0 No. Mr. Thurman had left the meeting.

E. Approval of the 2026-2027 budget.

After deliberation, option #2 is the budget selected to bring to a vote. This budget version includes a +4% staff raise, a +\$200 per seat membership fee, a use of \$15k committed funds for replacement student Chromebooks, and a use of unassigned fund balance of \$36,596.

There was a motion by Mr. Wingard and a second by Mr. Rice to approve the 2026-2027 budget. The motion was approved 7 Yes – 0 No. Mr. Thurman had left the meeting.

V. DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES' REPORT

Ms. Ackerman said there will be upcoming staff training (i.e., Stop the Bleed). Tavon Parker will be coming back soon to share "Change the Narrative" with students. Every week more students are tested for admission into YAA's program.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Ms. Ackerman

Winter graduation went very well.

Will continue to pursue the School District of the City of York to join YAA.

VII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Baum thanked Ms. Ackerman and her staff on winter graduation preparations. The next meeting is February 24, 2026 in person beginning at 6:30 p.m.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT OF RECORD'S REPORT

Dr. Mancuso welcomed Mr. Whitely to the board.

He updated the board on the ongoing discussions related to the feasibility study for the York Learning Center through the LIU.

IX. ADJOURN

There was a motion by Mr. Rice and a second by Mr. Emig to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. The motion was approved 7 Yes – 0 No.