

Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting, Porter Township School Corporation Board of School Trustees
February 12, 2026 | 5:30 pm CST

**The following is a partial transcript of the meeting. A recording of the actual meeting is available on the PTSC website Board of School Trustees page, <https://www.ptsc.k12.in.us/school-board/agenda-minutes/>
Approval of this transcript as official minutes will be at the next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees.*

Board Members Present: Dr. Natalie Wargo, Lilann Sgouros, and Jeannette Skibbie

Board Members Absent: Eric McGinty, Mary Harlow

Staff Members Present: Ben Parrish, Assistant Superintendent, Kathleen Smith, CFO, and Laura Grayam, Executive Assistant

Staff Members Absent: Dr. Stacey Schmidt, Superintendent and Jacqueline Pillar, Corporation Attorney

1. **CALL TO ORDER – Dr. Natalie Wargo, President | 5:30 pm CST**
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Welcome Visitors
2. **AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS – Mr. Ben Parrish, Assistant Superintendent | There were no agenda adjustments**
3. **CONSENT AGENDA – Mr. Parrish**
 - A. Personnel Report
 - B. Board Minutes
 1. 1.8.26 Regular Meeting
 2. 1.8.26 Board of Finance Meeting
 - C. Payroll & Claim Docket



Mr. Parrish recommended approval of the Consent Agenda, as presented in the board packet, consisting of board meeting minutes, payroll and claim dockets, and the following items listed on the personnel report:

Appointments

Classified

	Name	Position	Location	Effective Date
	Bono, Robert	CTE Bus Driver	BGHS	1/29/2026
	Hooper, Braxton	Custodian	BGE/MS	2/16/2026
	King, Madalyn	Special Ed Paraprofessional	PLE	2/6/2026
	Saia, Angelo	Long-Term Substitute, Elementary P.E.	PLE/BGE	Approx 03/2026-5/28/2026
<i>Extra-Curricular</i>	Aguayo, Brad	MS Wrestling Assistant Coach, Volunteer	BGMS	2025-2026 School Year
	Coulopoulos, Bevan	HS Football Assistant Coach, Volunteer	BGHS	2025-2026 School Year
	Meinert, Natalee	Softball Assistant Coach, Volunteer	BGHS	2025-2026 School Year
	Saco, Melissa	7th Grade Girls Basketball, Head Coach	BGMS	2025-2026 School Year
	Talbert, Jeremy	Wrestling Head Coach	BGMS	2025-2026 School Year
	Tauber, Anthony	6th Grade Girls Basketball, Head Coach	BGMS	2025-2026 School Year
	Warren, Nick	MS Wrestling Assistant Coach, Volunteer	BGMS	2025-2026 School Year
Leaves				
<i>Classified</i>	Buczek, Michele	Teacher's Aide	BGMS	.5, 1/9/2026
	Davis, Deb	Teacher's Aide	PLE	1/5-1/7/2026
	Harker, Denise	Teacher's Aide	BGHS	1/5, 1/8-1/9, 1/14/2026
	Schacki, Alexis	Teacher's Aide	PLE	1/16/2026
	Shimkus, Lesley	Nurse	PLE	1/21-1/23/2026

Resignations

<i>Certified</i>	Caratini, Emma	2nd Grade Teacher	PLE	5/29/2026
	Parks, Brad	Assistant Principal	PLE	2/11/2026
<i>Classified</i>	Crisp, Georgia	Special Ed Paraprofessional	PLE	2/11/2026

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented was made by Lilann Sgouros, seconded by Jeannette Skibbie. There was no discussion and the motion carried 3-0.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT – BUSINESS ITEMS ONLY | There were no public comments

5. BUSINESS

A. PLE Project Update – The Skillman Corporation

Mr. Chris Muvceski from the Skillman Corporation shared an update regarding the ongoing construction at Porter Lakes Elementary. The team is hitting milestones and the project is progressing as expected.

B. Financial Report – Mrs. Smith

1. Financial Report

2. Fund Report

3. Monthly Fund Transfer Reports

4. Investment Report

5. Policy Analytics Cashflow

C. Accept Transfer Students for 2nd Semester, 2025-2026 School Year – Mr. Parrish

Mr. Parrish recommended acceptance of 2 transfer students for the 2nd semester of the 25-26 school year, as detailed in the board packet. A motion to accept these transfer students was made by Jeannette Skibbie, seconded by Lilann Sgouros. There was no discussion and the motion carried 3-0.

D. Approve Fundraisers – Mr. Parrish

Mr. Parrish recommended approval of 2 fundraisers as presented in the board packet. A motion to approve fundraisers was made by Lilann Sgouros, seconded by Jeannette Skibbie. There was no discussion and the motion carried 3-0.

E. Approve Overnight Field Trips – Mr. Parrish

Mr. Parrish recommended approval of overnight field trips for the BGHS Dance Team and Natural Helpers. A motion to approve overnight field trips was made by Jeannette Skibbie, seconded by Lilann Sgouros. There was no discussion and the motion carried 3-0.

F. Contract Considerations – Mr. Parrish

Mr. Parrish recommended consideration of contracts, as presented in the board packet. A motion to approve contracts was made by Lilann Sgouros, seconded by Jeannette Skibbie. There was no discussion and the motion carried 3-0.

G. Approve 2026 Summer School – Mr. Parrish

Mr. Parrish recommended approval of the 2026 summer school plan, which currently offers I-Read remediation. A motion to approve 2026 summer school was made by Jeannette Skibbie, seconded by Lilann Sgouros. There was no discussion and the motion carried 3-0.

6. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Mr. Parrish

Mr. Parrish provided a brief update from the buildings:

BGHS: Congratulations to January Teacher of the Month, Mrs. Kennedy. Good luck to the Cheer & Dance teams at the upcoming PCC Spirit Competition. Choir and band both advanced to the ISSMA State competition, to be held later in February – good luck to our band and choir! Logan Garza, Sunny Fisher, and Max Pollnow advanced out of the IHSAA wrestling sectional – good luck to them.

BGE: Congratulations to our 4th/5th grade Science Bowl team and coach Mrs. Rippe for outstanding performances and proudly representing BGE!

7. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Jeannette Skibbie at 5:41 pm, seconded by Lilann Sgouros. There was no discussion and the motion carried 3-0.