

## Board Work Session

Tuesday, October 6, 2026 6:30 PM

Elementary School Library, 62 School Drive, Ridgway, PA 15853

### 1. AGENDA

1.A. Call to Order

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Meditation

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

### 3. INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD FROM FACULTY AND STAFF

### 4. EXECUTIVE SESSION (as needed)

### 5. BOARD BUSINESS

5.A. Old Business -

5.B. New Business

1. Board Resignation - Megen Handley

**Suggested Motion:** I move that the Ridgway Area School Board recognize Megen Handley for 6 years of dedicated service as a board member and accept her resignation from the board, effective September 9, 2026, with regret.

2. Board Nomination(s)

**Suggested Motion:** I move that the Ridgway Area School Board nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the vacant board seat.

3. Board Appointment

**Suggested Motion:** I move that the Ridgway Area School Board elect \_\_\_\_\_ as the newly appointed board member, effective immediately.

4. Set date for Solar Presentation to build public rapport.

### 6. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - Paul McCurdy

6.A. Buildings & Ground Items

### 7. FINANCE - Matt Frank

7.A. Finance Items

1. Grant - Elk County Commissioners - \$31,500  
Opioid Settlement Funds - To be used to bring MADD Mind Mental Fitness Program to Ridgway Area Middle School over two years.

2. YMCA Daycare - Classroom rental from January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027 at \$650 per Month.

3. Advanced Computer Systems - Technology  
Support Agreement for 2026/2027 \$87,787

8. **POLICY - Sandra Lawrie**

8.A. Policy Items

1. September Policy Review for approval
- 102 - Academic Standards
- 105 - Curriculum
- 204.1 - Virtual Attendance & Wellness Checks
- 249 - Bullying/Cyberbullying
- 317 - Conduct/Disciplinary Procedures
- 317.1 - Educator Misconduct
- 320 - Freedom of Speech in Non-school Setting
- 325 - Dress & Grooming & Decorum
- 417 - Conduct/Disciplinary - Retire (see 317)
- 420 - Freedom of Speech - Retire (see 320)
- 425 - Dress & Decorum - Retire (see 325)
- 517 - Conduct/Disciplinary - Retire (see 317)
- 525 - Dress & Decorum - Retire (see 525)
- 904 - Public Attendance at School
- 920 - Social Media (PSBA 816)

2. Administrative Regulations
- 249 - AR - Informational Only
- 325 - AR - Informational Only

9. **PERSONNEL - Dr. Coffman**

9.A. Personnel Items

1. Conferences & Field Trips

2. Terminations

Joe Elias - Director of Buildings & Grounds  
effective \_\_\_\_\_

Brenda Werneth - Paraprofessional effective  
September 22, 2026.

3. Resignations

Misty Washburn - Paraprofessional effective  
October 2, 2026, with regret.

4. New Hires

Kaitlynn Shipe - Administrative Assistant for  
Purchasing/Transportation at a salary of \$29,000  
prorated for the 2026/2027 School Year, effective  
October 14, 2026 pending completion of all  
required hiring paperwork. **Education** - BS  
Marketing, **Experience** - Sales, Marketing  
Associate, Bank Teller

Bruce Gess - 7.5 Hour Paraprofessional at an  
hourly rate of \$14.05/hour, effective October 14,  
2026, pending completion of all required hiring  
paperwork. **Education** - HS Diploma, **Experience**  
- Fixture Tech, Customer Service.

Selina Brazell - 8 Hour Custodian at an hourly

rate of \$15.25/hour, effective October 14, 2026, pending completion of all required hiring paperwork. **Education** - HS Diploma, **Experience** - House Keeping, Cleaning.

5. Agreements

American Red Cross - Licensed Training Provider Agreement - No Charge

10. **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES - Natalie Aiello**

10.A. Extracurricular Activities Items

1. New Hires

Athletic Director -

Bocce Coach - Madelyn Newcome \$2,247

JV Girls Basketball Coach -

2. Fall District Playoffs

The following teams have qualified for District Playoff with a .500 or better record:

Football

Boys' Soccer

Volleyball

Any additional fall sports that qualify with a .500 or better record will be given permission to advance to district playoffs per District policy.

11. **ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD**

12. **MEETING DATES**

12.A. 5:45 PM, Tuesday, October 13, 2026 - New Hire Meet & Greet, Elementary Cafeteria; 6:30PM, Regular Board Meeting, Elementary Library

Work Session - 6:30 PM, Tuesday, November 3, 2026, Elementary Library

Board Meeting - 6:30 PM, Tuesday, November 10, 2026, Elementary Library

13. **ADJORN**

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION (as needed)**