Mount Carmel Area School District
Agenda
June 18, 2026

Work session: 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

I. **Call to Order**: 7:00 p.m. Board Room

II. **Roll Call**:

III. **Announcements**:

IV. **Approval of Minutes**:
A motion is needed to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.
(Voice Vote)

V. **PTA Representative Report.**

VI. **Recognition of Guests desiring to speak to listed agenda items. - Please state name and address.**

VII. **Administrative Reports:**

A. Superintendent

B. Principal's Reports:
   1. Senior High School
   2. Junior High School
   3. Elementary

C. Special Education

D. Maintenance Report

E. Athletic Director's Report

VIII. **Athletic Items:**

A. A motion is needed to approve Athletic Items 1. through 8. as listed:
(Roll Call Vote)

1. Accept the resignation of Brian Christiana as Head Junior High Football coach as per the letter presented.

2. Approve the use of facilities by MCA Sharks Summer Swim as per the Facility Access Request presented.

3. Approve the use of facilities by Kulpmont Football/Baseball Association as per the Facility Access Request presented.

4. Approve the use of facilities by MCA Football 7-on-7 as per the Facility Access Request presented.

5. Approve to hire Azure Waldick as Head Girls' Soccer coach at a salary of $3,200.00.

6. Approve to hire Erin Bossler as Assistant Girls' Soccer coach at a salary of $1,900.00.

7. Approve to hire Kriza Rusnak as a Volunteer Tumbling coach for the 2026-2027 school year, pending file completion.

8. Approve the cost of equipment items for the fall sports season as presented at a cost not to exceed $7,470.00.

IX. Financial Items:

A. A motion is needed to approve Financial Items 1. through 4. ***(Roll Call Vote)***

1. Treasurer Report
2. Cafeteria Report
3. Athletic Fund Report
4. Payment of Bills

X. Committee Reports:

A. Mount Carmel Area Education Foundation

XI. New Business – Action Items:

A. A motion is needed to approve New Business Items 1. through 36. as listed: ***(Roll Call Vote)***

1. Approve to elect Edward Zack as School Board Treasurer for the 2026-2027 fiscal year with a performance bond of $100,000.00**.**

2. Approve Attorney Robert M. Varano as School Board Solicitor at a retainer of $9,000.00 and $75.00 per hour for additional services as needed, for the term of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

3. Approve UNB Bank as depository for the school district.

4. Approve the authorization of facsimile signatures of the board officers, high school principal, and superintendent of schools for school related affairs for the 2026-2027 school year.

5. Approve and adopt the 2026-2027 final fiscal year budget for the Mount Carmel Area School District in the amount of $28,309,137.47.

6. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of the resolution providing for the levy and assessment of a school tax for the general purposes on real property in the Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 fiscal year at a rate of 62.59 mills on a dollar for Northumberland County, and 41.32 mills on a dollar for Columbia County.

7. Approve the 2026 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution in the amount of $2,277.00 for a reduction of $142.52 in real estate taxes for approved homestead properties. (There are no approved Farmstead properties).

8. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of the resolution levying and assessing a per capita tax for general school purposes of five dollars on each resident or inhabitant over the age of eighteen years of age within the Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

9. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of the resolution levying and assessing a per capita tax of five dollars under the provisions of Act 511 for general school purposes on each resident or inhabitant over the age of eighteen years of age within the boundaries of the Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

10. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of the resolution levying and assessing an occupation tax of ten dollars under the provisions of Act 511 for general school purposes on any person engaged in any occupation, trade, or profession within the boundaries of the Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

11. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of the resolution for a tax under the provisions of Act 511 for general school purposes at the rate of one-half of one percent of salaries, wages, commissions, and other compensation and net profits earned by residents of the Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

12. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of the resolution providing for the levy and assessment of a school tax for general purposes under the "Local Tax Enabling Act" upon the privilege of leasing unimproved lands or portions thereof within the Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

13. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of the resolution levying and assessing an occupation tax under the provisions of Act 511 for general school purposes on all residents of the Mount Carmel Area School District who are eighteen years of age or older at a rate of 180% for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

14. Approve the re-enacting and continuation of a resolution providing for the levy and assessment of a school tax for general purposes under the "Local Tax Enabling Act" upon the transfer of an interest in real property to the extent that transfers are subject to the tax imposed by the Commonwealth of PA on said real estate transfers within the geographical limits of the Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

15. Approve the resolution providing for the levy and assessment of a school tax on real property in the Mount Carmel Area School District for the fiscal year 2026-2027 for the general purpose and to pay authority rental and debt service.

16. Approve the certified tuition rates, for use during the 2026-2027 school term, at Elementary $10,255.73 and High School $9,660.49.

17. Approve the agreement with Beacon Light for the 2026-2027 school year as presented.

18. Approve the agreement with New Story (Berwick) and Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year as presented. (There are currently 5 students attending).

19. Approve the district's insurance contract to Varano Insurance Agency in the amount of $215,087.00.

20. Approve the attached terms of engagement for the 2026-2027 school year with Saxton & Stump Lawyers and Consultants as presented.

21. Approve the 2026-2027 Pre-K Counts Partnership Agreement Guidelines between Mount Carmel Area School District and Shamokin Area School District as presented.

22. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between CSIU Northumberland Headstart Agency and Mount Carmel Area School District as presented.

23. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit, eToole Virtual Learning and Mount Carmel Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year as per the MOU presented.

24. Approve the $350.00 Recruitment Grant Award from Sigma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma as per the letter presented.

25. Approve to establish an annual scholarship in Honor of John Bossler, as per the letter presented.

26. Approve to establish the MCA Gardening Club as per the constitution Presented.

27. Approve the renewal of the agreement with Lisa Varano as educational consultant with Next Century, Inc, as presented.

28. Approve the 3 year agreement with Topp Business Solutions, for document management, as presented.

29. Approve the quote from Reidler Decal Corporation for vinyl wrap arounds for food stations in the cafeteria at a cost of $2,640.00, as presented.

30. Accept the bid from Singer Equipment Company for the purchase of a Walk-In Freezer/Cooler for the high school kitchen at a cost of $78,999.48, as Presented.

31. Approve the renewal agreement with Otis Elevator for the high school elevator at a cost of $2,202.72, as presented.

32. Approve the purchase of chairs from RMC Rentals at a cost of $1,950.00.

33. Approve to amend the current contract with Marvin E. Klinger, Inc. for pupil transportation services, at a cost of $897,005.46, as presented.

34. Approve the renewal quote from Vector Solutions for an online professional development training platform at a cost of $3,392.50, as presented.

35. Approve the subscription renewal from Navigate360 for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost of $4,971.92, as presented.

36. Approve the expulsion of student PA Secure ID# 3884469533 through December 3, 2026.

Personnel Items:

A. A motion is needed to approve Personnel Items 1. through 40. as listed:
(Roll Call Vote)

1. Accept the resignation of Shannon O'Donnell as a full time custodian effective immediately, as per the letter presented.

2. Accept the resignation of Christine Derk as part-time Elementary custodian effective immediately. She would like to remain on the substitute list.

3. Accept the resignation of Nicole Edmondson, Assistant Special Education Coordinator, effective June 12, 2026 as per the letter presented.

4. Accept the resignation of Brendan Lamey as a Secondary Biology teacher, effective August 1, 2026 as per the letter presented.

5. Accept the resignation of Vernon Horsfield as part-time van driver, effective May 27, 2026 as per the letter presented.

6. Accept the resignation of Beth Ann Burns as 7th & 8th grade class adviser as per the letter presented.

7. Approve Tracy Rhodes and Jen Wetzel as MCA Gardening Club Advisers with a stipend of $200.00 each.

8. Approve a salary reclassification change for Brooke Korkuch from Bachelor's at $46,958.00 to Master's at $47,659.00.

9. Approve Kayla Gedney as 2026 summer lunch program monitor, up to 3 hours per day, at $12.00 per hour from June 15, 2026 through July 23, 2026.

10. Approve Ana Ditchey as Elementary Data Specialist/MTSS Coordinator with a stipend of $1,000.00. This is included in the 2026-2027 General Fund Budget.

11. Approve Carleen Zlockie as the elementary school PBIS Advanced Tier II Coordinator/Coach with a $1,000.00 stipend for the 2026-2027 school year. This is included in the 2026-2027 General Fund Budget.

12. Approve the following: Erin Berger, Kaitlyn McGinley, Nicole Steinbauer, Katherine Francis, Thomas Dulsky, Jill Ecker, Kerri Molesevich, Brooke Heim and Lori Heath as members of the elementary school PBIS Advanced Tier II Team with a stipend of $600.00 per member for the 2026-2027 school year. This is included in the 2026-2027 General Fund Budget.

13. Approve the following: Bethann Burns, Amy Watkins, Nicole Steinbauer and Jill Ecker as members of the elementary school's 2026-2027 Families and Schools Together (FAST) Family Engagement team with a stipend each of $600.00 per FAST cycle. Stipends are grant funded through Title I Family Engagement grant funding.

14. Approve Lori Heath as the elementary school's 2026-2027 school year Families and Schools Together (FAST) Family Engagement Team Coordinator with a stipend of $1,000.00. This stipend is grant funded through Title I Family Engagement funding.

15. Approve to hire Veronica Lentini as members of the elementary school's 2026-2027 Families and Schools Together (FAST) Family Engagement team with a stipend of $600.00. This stipend is grant funded through Title I Family Engagement Funding.

16. Approve to hire Karen Rockwell as members of the elementary school's 2026-2027 Families and Schools Together (FAST) Family Engagement team with a stipend of $600.00. This stipend is grant funded through Title I Family Engagement Funding.

17. Approve Lindsey Beaver and Abbi Swartz as ESY substitute teachers at a rate of $30 per hour for a total of 6 weeks. This will be retroactive to June 16, 2026.

18. Approve Christine Hood as an aide for the 2026 ESY program at her current hourly rate, not to exceed 8 hours per week, for a total of 6 weeks. This will be retroactive to June 16, 2026.

19. Approve to hire Marissa Matukaitis as a part-time aide, at a salary of $12.00 per hour, not to exceed 30 hours per week, without benefits, with a six month probationary period.

20. Approve to hire Charity Vellner as a part-time aide, at a salary of $12.00 per hour, not to exceed 30 hours per week, without benefits, with a six month probationary period.

21. Approve Ashley Yocum as a 180 day substitute teacher in the elementary building for the 2026-2027 school year, at $125.00 per day, without benefits.

22. Approve Kaitlyn Sandri as a 180 day substitute teacher in the elementary building for the 2026-2027 school year, at $125.00 per day, without benefits.

23. Approve Karen Zimmerman as a 180 day substitute teacher for the 2026-2027 school year, at $125.00 per day, without benefits.

24. Approve _____ as Special Education Assistant Coordinator at a salary of _____ with benefits. This position is part of the Act 93 agreement and is open due to resignation.

25. Approve to hire _____ as a Secondary Biology teacher at a salary of $_____, with benefits as per the teacher's contract with a start date of August 27, 2026. This position is open due to a resignation.

26. Approve Elijah Seidel as a 180 day substitute teacher in the junior-senior high building for the 2026-2027 school year, at $125.00 per day, without benefits.

27. Approve tenure for the following staff: Harlee Mowery, Cassondra Vellner, Chris Stellar, and Colleen Seid.

28. Approve Bernard Stellar, Christopher Stellar and Nicole Rosko to teach summer band lessons at $14.00 per hour at a maximum of 5 hours per week for 8 weeks.

29. Approve Bernard Stellar to teach band lessons during the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of $14.00 per hour for a maximum of 5 hours per week.

30. Approve Michele Stellar to work during the summer not to exceed 60 hours at her current hourly rate, effective July 1, 2026.

31. Approve Erica Nestico and Christina Venna-Waugh to complete guidance counselor duties for not more than 70 hours each at their per diem rate for the summer of 2026.

32. Approve Carole Lubeskie to complete home/school liaison work for not more than 50 hours at her per diem rate for the summer of 2026.

33. Approve the revised Professional Employee Contract, adding the Elementary Assistant Supervisor Position, as presented.

34. Approve salary increases for all members of the Act 93 Agreement and the Professional Employees Compensation Plan, effective July 1, 2026, as per the terms of the agreements. This increase was included in the 2026-2027 General Fund Budget.

35. Approve a salary increase for Business Manager, Corrina Lesko, effective July 1, 2026, as per the terms of her contract. This increase was included in the 2026-2027 General Fund Budget.

36. Approve Jace Stever and Ashityk Orengo as part-time student workers at a rate of $12.00 per hour.

37. Approve Thomas Moser, Michael Elgin, Kayla Gedney, and Rachelle Kronenwetter, as summer maintenance workers at a rate of $12.00 per hour for a maximum of 20 hours per week.

38. Approve Luke Haladay, Matt Petroski, Mary Ann Horsfield, and Jarrett Shultz as summer maintenance workers at their current hourly rate, for a maximum of 20 hours per week.

39. Approve a salary reclassification change for Jordan Marlow from Bachelor's at $48,257.00 to Master's at $49,318.00.

40. A motion is needed to accept the applications and add to the substitute list pending file completion:

Mary Gushen- Substitute Teacher

XIII. Public Comments and Questions:

XIV. Adjournment.

XV. Future Meetings:
Regular Meeting – July 16, 2026

XVI. Board Handouts:
A. Minutes of the May 14, 2026 Regular Board Meeting