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PITTSFIELD SCHOOL BOARD HS OPTIONS STUDY COMMITTEE SMART (Sustainable Models for Academics, Resources and Taxpayers)

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2026, 5:00 P.M.

PMHS MEDIA CENTER

Members: Molly Goggin- School Board representative; Tim Robinson- School Board representative; Erik Anderson- Superintendent's designee; Jennifer Tyrell- School district employee; Ed Bell- School district employee; Beth Colon-Pagan- School district employee; Devin Funk- Pittsfield community member; Weston Martin- Pittsfield community member; Heather Elliott- Pittsfield community member

The HS Study Committee held its tenth meeting on 9/22/2026. The meeting was called to order at 5:03pm. Heather Elliott attended via phone. Ed Bell and Jen Tyrell arrived after other responsibilities.

The minutes from the September 8th meeting were reviewed and approved- 7-0; Molly-1st, Devin-2nd

The 7 consolidated themes of substantive influence pertaining to Pittsfield High School feasibility are:

Consolidation of discussion into themes:

- 1) Facilities- in house and taking into consideration of other district's facilities
 - 2) SPED- These costs must be considered transparently. Beth shared a chart (non-specific) showing costs associated with out of district students . What % of students presently in district may require expenditures considerably above the "base cost"?
 - 3) Transportation- Additional cost and impact
 - 4) Academic programming- Master schedule- AP; dual enrollment
 - 5) Career and Technical Center- access to CTE programs
 - 6) Extra and co-curricular activities
 - 7) Student Successes- Performance data; post-secondary going outcomes
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- 1) The Team discussed completion of the interest/capacity survey sent to district leadership of potential receiving districts. Beth will analyze totals/results and have for discussion at the next meeting.

- 2) Visiting potential schools was discussed. Visiting several is not feasible. Potentially visiting 1 or 2 schools (those with the highest consideration) before the final presentation merits consideration and potential planning.
- 3) Community survey was approved- 9-0; Tim-1st, Molly-2nd
- 4) Distribution of the survey was discussed- ALMA; town website; district website; Facebook- Positively Pittsfield; flyers at town businesses with QR code
- 5) The survey will close on October 15th, pending timely distribution/availability of survey to the public

Items for the next meeting:

- Discussion of results of survey to potential receiving district
- Discussion of initial feedback from Community survey
- Discussion of report structure and formatting
- Debrief 2022 Feasibility Study report

Jen made a motion to adjourn, Tim seconded it. All in favor 8-0 The meeting adjourned at 6:43PM.

Upcoming scheduled committee meetings:

October 6th from 5:00-6:30 (11th meeting)

October 20th from 5:00-6:30 (12th meeting)

Prepared by Erik Anderson
October 4th, 2026