

The Forbes Road School Board met in the Administrative session on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the high school library. Members of the board present were: Merrill Arnold, Kathy Baker, Brian Barton, Margaret Bolinger, Sean Fraker, Dulce Hall, Kirby Shoemaker and Don Small.

The following action was taken at the meeting:

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, the resignation of School Board Member Byron Helsel was accepted on a roll call vote with all members of the board voting yes.

On an Arnold/Baker motion, approval was given to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between Bedford/Fulton Head Start and Forbes Road School District as required by new federal programs consolidated application for Titles I, II and IV. Motion carried unanimously.

The Forbes Road School Board met in regular session on Monday, September 16, 2019 at 7:05 pm in the high school library. Members of the board present were: Kathy Baker, Brian Barton, Margaret Bolinger, Sean Fraker (arrived at 7:15 pm) Dulce Hall, and Don Small. Board members Merrill Arnold and Kirby Shoemaker were absent. Others present were: Cassie Broadwater, Magisterial District Judge, Devin Horne (arrived at 7:21 pm), Randy Gelvin, Kristie Hohman, and Superintendent Maria Scott-Bollman.

### **General Information**

On a Baker/Hall motion, the August 2019 Regular Meeting and August 2019 Special Meeting minutes were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Small motion, the August treasurer's report was approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, the September bills totaling \$305,354.76 were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Maria Scott-Bollman gave the Vo-Tech update reporting "We have Welding at Forbes Road!" She went on to share some concerns from the Vo-Tech Director about enrollment numbers going down in the county and possible ways to increase enrollment numbers beginning with conducting an interest survey.

Superintendent Maria Scott-Bollman gave the building and grounds update. She began by saying that fall preventative maintenance was underway as well as preparing for the upcoming open house. Speaking on behalf of Facilities Manager, Chris Seymore she thanked Fulton Electric for their part in getting the welding area ready for classes. In conclusion she made the board aware that bids for the wall project would be publicly opened on October 1, 2019 at 2:00 pm.

In the cafeteria update, Superintendent Maria Scott-Bollman told the board applications for free and reduced lunches would be going home with every student. Cindy McClain and Heidi O'Neal will be available at open house to assist anyone who may need help completing the free and reduced lunch paperwork.

During the elementary update, Superintendent Maria Scott-Bollman said the elementary was ready for open house. She went on to say that benchmark testing has started.

High School Principal Randy Gelvin reported the high school is off to a good start. Remarking there have been only a few minor discipline issues. He then stated that Reading Specialist Shannon Brown has started benchmark testing in the high school, which has been well received by students and staff.

Superintendent Scott-Bollman began the District update by briefing the board on highlights from the Superintendents meeting she recently attended at the Tuscarora Intermediate Unit 11. Included in the highlights from the meeting were Act 55, which will require board members to complete a mandatory three to five-hour training, and Act 7 stating students must be trained in CPR before graduating from high school. She then asked the board ideas on choosing a universal school logo and options for the best use of the remaining funds from the safety grant.

There were no public comments.

On a Fraker/Baker motion, Cassie Broadwater was elected to fill the vacant seat on the Forbes Road School Board created by the resignation of School Board Member Byron Helsel. Motion carried on a roll call vote with board members K. Baker, B. Barton, M. Bolinger, S. Fraker, D. Hall, and D. Small voting yes. Board members M. Arnold and K. Shoemaker were not present to vote.

Cassie Broadwater was sworn into office by Magisterial District Judge, Devin Horne.

On a Baker/Fraker motion, approval was given to accept a three-year contract for Superintendent Maria Scott-Bollman as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote with board members K. Baker, B. Barton, M. Bolinger, C. Broadwater, S. Fraker, D. Hall, and D. Small voting yes. Board members M. Arnold and K. Shoemaker were not present to vote.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, approval was given for a pay increase of \$9,000 for Facilities Manager Chris Seymore for additional duties of ongoing renovation management and waste management certification per original agreement with administration. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Hall motion, approval was given to accept the resignation of Justin Shotts from the position of head coach of the boys' jr high basketball team. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Baker motion, approval was given to accept the resignation of Brandy Kennedy from the cheerleading coach position effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, approval was given to add Caleb Vogel as a volunteer assistant soccer coach, pending necessary clearances. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, approval was given to add Mina Wilt as a volunteer assistant coach for varsity and junior varsity field hockey. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Fraker motion, approval was given to add Michael Heilman and Carol Taylor to the list of drivers for House Busing, pending necessary clearances. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Small motion, approval was given to add Sherri Buterbaugh, Kylynn Dixon and Max Shaffer as substitute teachers, pending necessary clearances. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Small/Bolinger motion, approval was given for Tia Knepper to be added as a substitute aide and Angela Johnson to be added as a substitute nurse/teacher. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Small motion, approval was given to correct Lisa Peck's hourly rate to year two classroom aide, retroactively. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Baker motion, approval was given to change Tina Wilkins's job title to alternative education aide which includes a \$2,000 pay increase. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Baker motion, approval was given to hold a 9<sup>th</sup>-grade exploratory welding class beginning the second marking period. Forbes Road School District will assume the cost of the welding instructor. Motion carried unanimously.

On Baker/Fraker motion, approval was given to purchase a power broom attachment for the skid loader at a cost of \$3,950. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to change the trash removal agreement was tabled.

On a Baker/Hall motion, approval was given to accept the Merakey Agreement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Fraker/Baker motion, approval was given to accept the list of High School field trips as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, approval was given for the newly appointed FFA Officers to travel to the Blair County Convention Center for the FFA Fall Leadership Conference. The date of the conference is October 1, 2019. The District will pay for the cost of transportation. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, approval was given to amend the 2019-2020 Forbes Road School District calendar to include adding an additional ACT 80 day to be held on November 27, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Fraker motion, approval was given for Don Small to use the old high school gym to hold jr high girls basketball travel team practice. The practices will be once a week, nights may vary. Motion carried with board members K. Baker, B. Barton, M. Bolinger, C. Broadwater, S. Fraker D. Hall voting yes. Board members M. Arnold and K. Shoemaker were not present to vote. Board member Don Small abstained from voting.

On a Baker/Hall motion, approval was given for the Drama Club to hold a "Dinner Theatre" fundraising event on November 14, 2019. This request includes the use of the cafeteria from 5:30-7:00 pm to host a spaghetti supper, followed by a one-act play entitled "The Seussification of Romeo and Juliet" in the auditorium following dinner. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Broadwater motion, approval was given for Jeremy Hollinshead to use the Gymnasium and Cafeteria to host the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Steven Szwydek Memorial 5K. Proceeds will benefit the Junior class trip to Arlington National Cemetery. The exact date of the event will be announced at a later time. The approximate date is April 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Hall motion, PSBA candidates were voted on as follows: Art Levinowitz as PSBA President, David Hein as Vice President, Julie Preston as Central At-Large, Kathy Swope as PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Small motion, approval was given to accept the Memorandum of Understanding with the PA state police for the 19-20 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On Bolinger/Small motion, approval was given for a high school student to receive homebound instruction as per the Doctors' request. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Fraker motion, approval was given to transfer Kristie Hohman's van contract to Hubert Hohman. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Fraker motion, approval was given for Universal Technical Institute to visit the school on October 11, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into executive session for personnel reasons from 8:47 pm – 9:15 pm. Board members present were: K. Baker, B. Barton, M. Bolinger, C. Broadwater, S. Fraker, D. Hall, and D. Small.

On a Baker/Hall motion, Board Vice President, Brian Barton adjourned the meeting at 9:25 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Barton  
Board Vice President

Tammy Fraker  
Board Secretary