



FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Board Room  
April 18, 2018

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6	I.	The April 18, 2018 Board Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board was held in the Board Room of the Ferndale Area School District, 100 Dartmouth Avenue, Johnstown. The Meeting was called to order by Mr. Meekins at 6:08 p.m.	6
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8	II.	Pledge of Allegiance	8
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10	III.	Moment of Contemplation	10
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12		Notice is given that the Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board to be conducted in this room will be tape recorded and entry constitutes consent to the taping of any individual who comments. Please turn off or silence all electronic devices and refrain from use during the meeting.	12
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15		Policy No. 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings is posted on the bulletin board in the Board Room.	15
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18	IV.	Roll Call: Present: Susan Boyle, Sandra Chobany, Joshua Hyland, Wayne Meekins, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson, and Patricia Wilson. Absent: Melissa Garman.	18
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22		Student Board Representatives: Absent: Matthew Clawson and Gabrielle Dodson.	22
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25		Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, William Brotz, David Gates, Molly O’Neil, Travis Robison, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Marsha Baumbaugh, Lori Beck, Lauren Bell, Lynn Bennett, Renee Dryer, Gwen Gaviola, Melissa Henderson, Janice Koontz, Maeve Koshute, Sonya Kowatch, Laura Miller, Kathleen McCreery, Stephanie Mino, Michael Molchan, Susan Pudliner, Jenna Ricci-Dykes, Amy Schmidt, Michelle Sendek, Kimberly Shrift, Christy Sweeney, Elyse Uhlig, Judith Virgin, Jill Vuckovich, FAEA; Colleen Blough, FASD; Madison Hanson, Brennan Mitchell, Tashaun Moore, Justin Pavic, Hayley Richards, Students; James McKendree, Resident; Susan Sheesley, PSEA-Retired; Troy Henderson, Other; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.	25
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38	V.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association	38
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40		Janice Koontz, FAEA, informed the Board of the FAEA Officers.	40
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42	IBD-34-04/18	FAEA/Board Negotiations meetings were held in the Administrative Office on April 10, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. and April 16, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.	42
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1	IBD-35-04/18	A presentation by Attorney Carl Beard of the Beard Legal Group was held	1
2		on April 18, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.	2
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6	BD-52-04/18	Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve the	6
7		April 18, 2018 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-49-04/18	7
8		through IST-14-04/18).	8
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10	BD-53-04/18	Approve the Minutes of the March 28, 2018 Board Meeting, as presented.	10
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12	BG-20-04/18	Approve the request of the Ferndale Area Football Boosters,	12
13		Responsible Officer Susan Pudliner, to use the Junior High Gymnasium,	13
14		Weight Room, locker rooms and restrooms for a Lift-a-thon fundraiser on	14
15		May 6, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., providing that no conflicts	15
16		occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of	16
17		facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)	17
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19	F-32-04/18	Approve the March Treasurer's Report, as presented.	19
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21	F-33-04/18	Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.	21
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23	F-34-04/18	Approve the Ferndale Area School District's Management Discussion and	23
24		Analysis Report for the fiscal year 2016-2017. (The MD&A is part of the	24
25		2016-2017 Independent Auditor Report. Complete 2016-2017 Single	25
26		Audit Review is available upon request.)	26
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28	IF-24-04/18	Received the 2016-2017 Independent Auditor Report, as well as the	28
29		Statement of Accounting Standards "SAS 114 - Communication with	29
30		Those Charged with Governance" from Kotzan CPA & Associates, P.C.,	30
31		Johnstown, PA which states "In our opinion, the financial statements	31
32		referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective	32
33		financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities,	33
34		each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the	34
35		Ferndale Area School District as of June 30, 2017, and the respective	35
36		changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for	36
37		the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally	37
38		accepted in the United States of America."	38
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40	IF-25-04/18	Receipts and disbursements.	40
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42	P-44-04/18	Approve the following to the substitute support staff list:	42
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44		Andrew Kilpatrick                      Johnstown	44
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1	IP-09-04/18	Judith Virgin will replace Janice Koontz as FAEA President, effective	1
2		April 21, 2018 until a new contract is reached.	2
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4	ST-84-04/18	Approve two students participation in the PMEA All State Festival and	4
5		Conference in Lancaster on April 18, 19, 20, 21, 2018. Cost: Registration	5
6		per student (includes busing, housing, meals): \$375.00. Director's	6
7		Registration: \$165.00. Director's Food: \$80.00. Director's Mileage:	7
8		\$150.00. Director's Lodging: \$580.00. Substitute for three days:	8
9		\$240.00. Total Cost: \$1,965.00. (District)	9
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11	ST-85-04/18	Approve ten students attendance at the SuperConference at Mount	11
12		Aloysius College on May 2, 2018. Cost: Registration: \$150.00 and	12
13		Transportation paid by Mlaker Transportation.	13
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15	ST-86-04/18	Approve 46 students (Grade 8) attendance at Career Exploration Day at	15
16		Mount Aloysius on May 9, 2018. Cost: Transportation: \$235.00.	16
17		Substitute: \$80.00. Total Cost: \$315.00. (District)	17
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19	IST-13-04/18	A \$200 donation was received from Penn Machine Company, Johnstown,	19
20		to be used for Junior-Senior High School Student Activities.	20
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22	IST-14-04/18	The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held	22
23		Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Ferndale Area Junior-Senior	23
24		High School Auditorium. An invitation to attend is extended to all Board	24
25		Members.	25
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27		Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins,	27
28		Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None.	28
29		Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.	29
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31	IBD-36-04/18	Review Revised Policy No. 915 Booster Organizations (Carole Kakabar)	31
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33	BD-54-04/18	Mr. Wilson, made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve, as read,	33
34		the First Reading of Revised Policy No. 915 Booster Organizations. The	34
35		motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.	35
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37	2.	Buildings and Grounds	37
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3	IE-46-04/18	Overview of Edlio Products for ADA Website Compliance - William Brotz.	3
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5	E-18A-04/18	Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to amend Motion E-18-04/18 and add one-year to the agreement with Edlio, California, for ADA Compliance Website setup, design, and launch, at a total startup cost of \$5,700, with an annual maintenance fee of \$4,200. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.	5
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11	E-18-04/18	Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve a one-year agreement with Edlio, California, for ADA Compliance Website setup, design, and launch, at a total startup cost of \$5,700, with an annual maintenance fee of \$4,200. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.	11
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18	IE-47-04/18	Highlights of the Joint Operating Committee - Stephen Thompson. (March 27, 2018 and April 11, 2018)	18
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21	IE-48-04/18	Highlights	21
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23		-- Junior-Senior High School, Travis Robison	23
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25	IE-49-04/18	Student Board Representatives Report.	25
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27	5.	Student Activities	27
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29	ST-87-04/18	Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve Amy Reynolds, Johnstown, as a Band Volunteer for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.	29
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33	ST-88-04/18	Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve one student participation in the Archery Club National Competition in Louisville, Kentucky on May 9, 12, 13, 14, 2018. Cost: \$1,250. (Fundraising) Substitute for one for three days: \$240.00. (District). Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.	33
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43	IF-26-04/18	2018-2019 Budget Update - David Gates/Carole Kakabar.	43
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7. Workshops/Conferences

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve the following workshops/conferences:

W-10-04/18

Travis Robison, *Active Shooter Response Training* in Morrisdale on June 26, 27, 2018. Cost: Registration: \$595.00. Travel: \$241.82. Total Cost: \$836.82. (Title II).

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.

The Board went into an Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. for personnel and litigation. The Executive Session ended at 9:29 p.m.

8. Personnel

P-45-04/18

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to post all applicable extra-duty positions in May:

- Advisor - Junior Class
- Advisor - Senior Class (2)
- All School Play
- Assistant Band Director
- Audio/Video Director - Secondary
- Color Guard Advisor
- Percussion Instructor
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Language Arts - Elementary
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Language Arts - Secondary
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Math - Elementary
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Math - Secondary
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Science - Elementary
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Science- Secondary
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Social Studies - Elementary
- Curriculum Support Chairperson/Social Studies - Secondary
- Detention Monitor, 3 Hr Session (1)
- Detention Monitor, 1 Hr Session (1 and substitute)
- Detention Monitor, Saturday
- Forensics - Senior High
- K4 Orientation
- Kindergarten Orientation
- Math Counts Advisor
- Mentor (As Needed)
- National Honor Society Advisor

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- Reading Team Advisor - Elementary
- Reading Team Advisor - Junior High
- Reading Team Advisor - Senior High
- Stage, Lights & Sound Manager - Secondary
- Student Council Advisor
- Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) Advisor
- Yearbook Advisor - Secondary
- Yearbook Advisor - Secondary Assistant
- Yearbook Editor - Elementary

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(Subject to change based on negotiations.)

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.

P-46-04/18

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve the resignation of Mary Pfeil, Special Education Aide, effective April 9, 2018. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-47-04/18

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve Andrew Kilpatrick as a long-term substitute Special Education Aide, effective April 10, 2018 through May 31, 2018. (Vacated by the resignation of Mary Pfeil.) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.

P-48-04/18

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve James Ivory as a long-term substitute Chemistry Teacher, at a rate of \$100.00 per day worked, from approximately April 18, 2018 through approximately May 31, 2018. (Vacated by the resignation of Janice Koontz.) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.

P-49-04/18

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve an agreement with Conemaugh Valley School District to contract FASD School Psychologist Services from April 19, 2018 and conclude on or before the last scheduled professional staff day for Conemaugh Valley School District for the 2017-2018 school year, based on terms specified in the agreement. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.

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P-50-04/18

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve Ferndale Area School District participation in the 2018-2019 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Substitute Teacher Program at a cost of \$500. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.

BD-55-04/18

Mr. Pavic nominated Sandra Chobany as Board President, effective April 18, 2018 through December 5, 2018. (Vacated by the resignation of Wayne Meekins.)

BD-56-04/18

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to close nominations. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

BD-57-04/18

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to elect Sandra Chobany as Board President, effective April 18, 2018 through December 5, 2018. (Vacated by the resignation of Wayne Meekins.)

BD-58-04/18

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moschgat, to appoint James McKendree as School Board Director, Region 3, (Brownstown Borough, Lorain Borough, Middle Taylor Township), effective April 18, 2018 through December 2019. (Vacated by the resignation of Wayne Meekins.) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman. The motion carried.

VII.

Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. All were in favor.