FLEETWOOD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2023 - Tuesday, 7:00 PM

The monthly meeting of the Fleetwood Area Board of School Directors was called to order by President Mr. Manmiller at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were:

Board Members: Matthew Davenport, Robert K. Gore, Kevin L. Manmiller, Michael D. Noll, Gary A. Reinert, Victoria B. Solberg, Jason E. Valick

Absent: Lisa J. Bogacki, James M. Younker

Administrators: Jennifer R. Bergstresser, Gwynn E. Bollinger, Kate L. Costenbader, Thomas DeAngelo, Stephen A. Herman, Brian J. Hostettler, Michael P. Kelly, Greg M. Miller, Jennifer Neiman, Christopher S. Redding

Absent: Matthew Q. Diehl, Jeffrey W. Doelp, Kevin M. Handerhan, Michelle D. Jackson, Natalie E. Lytle, Casey M. Moser, Heidi A. Orth, Nathan Shefter, Kerry R. Strickler

Solicitor: James Mancuso, Esq. Secretary: Michael D. Noll Recording Secretary: Michael P. Kelly

Presentation: None

Visitor Recognition: None

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Noll, to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2023 meeting. — Minutes Approved

Question, Voice Vote-Unanimous, Motion Carried
Absent: Bogacki, Younker

A motion was made by Mr. Davenport, seconded by Mr. Reinert, to approve the treasurer's report. — Treasurer's Report

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Solberg, seconded by Mr. Valick, to pay the bills for the month. — Bills Approved

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Noll, to approve curriculum for the following high school courses:

- Journalism
- Storytelling in Film

— Instructional Program Curriculum High School Journalism and Storytelling in Film

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Solberg, seconded by Mr. Reinert, to approve the following personnel actions: Personnel

Assignments

Support Staff

- Alyssia Davis, Middle School Part-time Food Service Worker, effective 8/16/2023 at an hourly rate of $13.17
- Jason Burkey, Willow Creek Elementary Custodian, effective 9/20/2023 at an hourly rate of $15.45
- Matthew Oswald, Middle School Custodian, effective 9/20/2023 at an hourly rate of $15.45, pending completion of paperwork
- Latessa Roman Rojas, Willow Creek Elementary Paraprofessional, effective 09/08/2023 at an hourly rate of $13.17, pending completion of paperwork
- Rachael Eadline, Willow Creek Elementary Paraprofessional, effective 09/08/2023 at an hourly rate of $14.12
- Bonnie Kraft, High School Part-time Food Service Worker, effective 9/11/2023 at an hourly rate of $13.17
- Ronnie Espinal, Districtwide IT Technician, effective 9/20/2023 at an hourly rate of $17.98, pending completion of paperwork

Co-curricular

- Thomas Toucher, High School JV Girls' Soccer Co-Coach, effective 9/20/2023 at an annual rate of $1,658.00
- Brittany Shick, Middle School Assistant Girls' Soccer Coach, effective 9/20/2023 at an annual rate of $1,534.00
- Jose Nevarez, High School Assistant Track Coach, effective 9/20/2023 at an annual rate of $2,673.00, pending completion of paperwork
- Rebecca Peters, Middle School Reading Olympics Co-Advisor, effective 8/31/2023 at an annual rate of $517.73
- Carin Mileshosky, Middle School Reading Olympics Co-Advisor, effective 8/31/2023 at an annual rate of $517.73
- Candice Khan, High School Class of 2027 Co-Advisor, effective 09/08/2023 at an annual rate of $397.30
- Marissa Diodata, High School Class of 2027 Co-Advisor, effective 09/08/2023 at an annual rate of $397.30

Transfers

- Logan Henry, Districtwide Summer IT Worker to Districtwide Substitute IT Technician, effective 8/31/2023
- Jennifer Bergstresser, Middle School Dean of Students to Middle School Assistant Principal, effective 10/06/2023 at an annual rate of $93,000

Retirement

- Lori Garman, Willow Creek Elementary Paraprofessional, effective 10/06/2023

Resignations

- Jennifer Dunn, Middle School Paraprofessional, effective 8/11/2023
- Alexander Markley, Districtwide IT Technician, effective 8/30/2023
- Rebecca Heiser, High School Class of 2026 Co-Advisor, effective 8/21/2023
- Joseph Powell, Middle School Boys' Basketball Coach, effective 8/03/2023
- Megan Keenan, Middle School Annual Daily Substitute Teacher, effective 9/29/2023
- Tina Hermany, Willow Creek Elementary Paraprofessional, effective 9/19/2023
- Jeanette Mengel, Willow Creek Elementary Food Service Worker, effective 8/25/2023

Leave Requests

- Kristin Rinehart, Willow Creek Elementary Teacher, FMLA qualifying leave beginning 12/08/2023 through 3/04/2023
- Shane Rooney, High School Custodian, unpaid leave beginning 9/01/2023 return pending physician's release

Volunteers

Building

- Leann Allebach
- Courtney Bennicoff
- Corey Blassingame
- Dawn Cortes
- Andrew Dunkle
- Emily Heckman
- Christa Hoffman
- Katrina Moyer
- Jessica Ortiz-Eichert
- Kelsi Pinto
- Kristen Rothenberger
- Julia Sneeringer
- Holly Walter
- Cody Bennicoff
- Donnielle Berghold
- Sunny Buhay
- Kathy DiBenedetto
- Michael Granat
- Joseph Heckman
- Stacey Miller
- Charmaine Muth
- Jessica Phillippy
- Jeremy Powlus
- Becky Sievert
- Chad Walter

Athletics

- MS Cheerleading: Courtney Kleppinger and Audrey Murphy
- HS Field Hockey: Kelsey Hemmig
- HS Girls' Tennis: Julie Toucher

SMILES

- Glenn Knouse
- Tom Pracher
- Irene Moyer
- Rebecca Wright

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Noll, to approve the 2nd Reading of the following board policies:

- 008 - Organizational Chart
- 102 - Academic Standards
- 105 - Curriculum Development
- 105.2 - Exemption From Instruction (no changes)
- 127 - Assessments (no changes)
- 137 - Home Education Programs
- 137.1 - Participation by Home Education Students
- 137.2 - Participation in Cocurricular Activities and Academic Courses by Home Education Students (new policy)
- 137.3 - Participation in Career and Technical Education Programs by Home Education Students (new policy)
- 200 - Enrollment of Students
- 824 - Maintaining Professional Adult/Boundaries

Board Policies
2nd Reading
008, 102, 105,
105.2, 127, 137,
137.1, 137.2,
137.3, 200, 824

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Solberg, seconded by Mr. Davenport, to approve a contract with BGSI to upgrade the fire alarm system at Willow Creek Elementary at a cost not to exceed $37,943. (COSTARS project #040-012; to be paid through capital projects)

Business and Finance
BGSI WC Fire Alarm

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Noll, to approve an independent contract with Tina Cirafesi for Speech and Language Services for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of $75.00 per hour ($5.00 per hour increase from 2022-2023).

Business and Finance
Tina Cirafesi

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Davenport, seconded by Mrs. Solberg, to approve a contract with empowerEd School Solutions, LLC to provide professional development services on inclusive practices at a rate not to exceed $3,100. (to be paid through Title II funds)

Business and Finance
empowerED School Solutions, LLC

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Noll, seconded by Mr. Gore, to approve a contract with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services, Inc. to provide special education staffing services for the 2023-2024 school year. (increases of $1-$4 per hour per position)

Business and Finance
Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services, Inc.

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Davenport, seconded by Mrs. Solberg, to approve contracts with New Story, LLC to provide special education learning for four students for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate not to exceed $425 per student per day. (increase of $40 per day over prior year)

Business and Finance
New Story, LLC

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Noll, seconded by Mr. Gore, to approve an independent contractor agreement with Suzanne Miller to provide Wilson Reading tutoring services at a rate of $100 per hour.

Business and Finance
Wilson Reading Independent Contractor

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Davenport, seconded by Mrs. Solberg, to approve a proposal with Hummer Turfgrass Systems, Inc. to repair the Walnuttown Baseball Infield at a cost of $39,865. (Services provided through COSTARS #0403821.)

Business and Finance

Hummer Turfgrass Systems, Inc.

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Solberg, seconded by Mr. Davenport, to approve the bus drivers and routes for the 2023-2024 school year.

Miscellaneous Bus Drivers and Routes 2023-2024

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mr. Noll, to approve the appointment of Heidi Orth as the management representative on the Berks County School Districts Health Trust Board of Trustees for a two-year term from July 1, 2023-June 30, 2025.

Miscellaneous Berks County School Districts Health Trust Board of Trustees Heidi Orth

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Davenport, Gore, Manmiller, Noll, Reinert, Solberg, Valick
Absent: Bogacki, Younker
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Reinert, seconded by Mr. Valick, to approve the following request for use of facilities:

Use of School Facilities

• FYSC	WC Soccer Field	9/4-11/5	$ 100.00
• FAYFCA	HS Stadium	4 Dates	$ 780.00
• FCCO	HS Stadium	10/6	$ 340.00
• FABA	HS Baseball field	9/8-10/22	$ 100.00
• FAYFCA	Multiple Gyms	Sept- Nov	$ 1,028.00

Question, Voice Vote-Unanimous, Motion Carried
Absent: Bogacki, Younker

A motion was made by Mr. Gore, seconded by Mrs. Solberg, to adjourn the meeting.

Adjournment

Question, Voice Vote-Unanimous, Motion Carried
Absent: Bogacki, Younker

The regular monthly meeting of the Fleetwood Area Board of School Directors was adjourned by the president at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael D. Noll
School Board Secretary

Executive Session: Personnel and Legal