

FOX CHAPEL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Agenda Study Session
November 3, 2025 – 7 p.m.
Fox Chapel Area High School LGI Room

Regular Business Meeting
November 10, 2025 – 7 p.m.
Kerr Elementary School Gym

This meeting may be recorded and/or broadcast.

Attached Pages

I. CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

III. GUESTS

IV. FOX LEADERSHIP COUNCIL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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VI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approve the minutes of the regular business meeting dated October 13, 2025, and the special meeting dated October 28, 2025.

- * Motion: Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the minutes of the regular business meeting dated October 13, 2025, and the special meeting dated October 28, 2025, are approved as written.

Roll Call Vote:

VIII. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – Public comment is limited to residents or taxpayers of this district. The first public comment period is for items that are scheduled for deliberation or official action on the agenda. To register to make a public comment, please contact the Board Secretary during business hours, but no later than 12 p.m., on the day of the meeting by email (boardsecretary@fcasd.edu), telephone (412-967-2413), or at the district office (611 Field Club Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238). Please provide your name, complete address, telephone number, the subject of the comment or topic to be addressed, and any group affiliation. During the meeting, the Board Secretary will call those community members scheduled to comment by telephone. Sign-in sheets will also be provided at each meeting for those attending who wish to offer public comment and did not register in advance.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Academic Committee Report (*Mrs. Cooper*)
- B. Governance Committee Report (*Mr. Frank*)
- C. Projects and Planning Committee Report (*Ms. Zych*)

Century Sports, Inc.
115 E McMurray Road
McMurray, PA 15317 \$4,558.74

MFAC, LLC
1600 Division Road
West Warwick, RI 02893 \$3,441.00

Natale Sporting Goods
112 Lincoln Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15209 \$8,627.20

* **Motion:** Moved by _____ and seconded by _____
that Finance items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 are approved.

Roll Call Vote:

C. Instruction (Mrs. Cooper)

1. Curtsworks LLC / Eric Curts – Professional Development

- Approve the professional development proposal as attached from Curtsworks LLC/Eric Curts for the Fox Chapel Area School District for professional development services during the 2025-2026 school year at a cost not to exceed \$19,500. **This is a new service.**

2. Allegheny Intermediate Unit – Memorandums of Understanding TransPerfect Remote Interpreting

a. TransPerfect AI Portal Translation

- Approve the memorandum of understanding regarding TransPerfect AI portal translation as attached between the Fox Chapel Area School District and the Allegheny Intermediate Unit to provide access to written translation through an AI portal to support non-English speaking parents and families effective on or around January 5, 2026, at a cost of \$500. **This is a renewal of services.**

b. Telephone Interpretation Services

- Approve the memorandum of understanding regarding telephone interpretation services as attached between the Fox Chapel Area School District and the Allegheny Intermediate Unit to provide telephone voice interpretation for non-English speaking parents and families effective February 10, 2026, through February 9, 2027, at a cost of \$120 plus additional costs for other services as needed. **This is a renewal of services.**

3. Westmoreland County Community College College in the High School Agreement

- Ratify the college in the high school agreement as attached between the Fox Chapel Area School District and Westmoreland County Community College for the period July 1, 2025, through July 1, 2028. **This is a new partnership.**

4. The Community College of Beaver County College in High School Program Agreement

- Ratify the college in high school program agreement as attached between the Fox Chapel Area School District and The Community College of Beaver County for the period July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. **This is a new partnership.**

5. Renaissance Learning, Inc. – FastBridge Subscription and Services (Pilot)

- Ratify accepting the quote as attached from Renaissance Learning, Inc., to pilot FastBridge subscription and services, an educational assessment platform that provides universal screening and progress monitoring for students in reading, math, and social-emotional behavior, effective September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026, at a cost of \$1,975, and authorize the administration to accept the quote. **This is a new service, and there is no obligation to continue at the end of the pilot term.**

6. January 2026 Graduates

- The following students are eligible for midyear graduation, subject to final approval by the high school lead principal:

Ruby Adams	David Avila	Nathan Bernesser
Mason Biernesser	Chanel Brun	Allie Coen-Reyer
Kelly Dayton	Katelyn Ecker	Dahlia Ford Sloppy
Keagan Graham	Elias Grim	William MacFarlane
William Marchese	Corey O'Toole	Danyal Raza
Ryan Roper	Daniel Sheets	Bryce Suranovich
Avonlea Teaderman	Vito Wielechowski	Harran Zureikat

- * **Motion:** Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that Instruction items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 are approved.

Roll Call Vote:

D. Legislation / Policy (Mr. Frank)

1. Policies – Revised – Second Reading

- Approve the second reading and adoption of the following revised policies as attached:

No. 234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students
No. 247 – Hazing
No. 252 – Dating Violence
No. 317 – Conduct/Disciplinary Procedures
No. 317.1 – Educator Misconduct
No. 320 – Freedom of Speech by Employees (name change only)
No. 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance
No. 626.1 – Travel Reimbursement – Federal Programs
No. 914 – Relations with Intermediate Unit
No. 917 – Parental/Family Involvement

2. Policies – Revised – First Reading

- Approve the first reading of the following revised policies as attached:

No. 006 – Meetings
No. 102 – Academic Standards
No. 105 – Curriculum
No. 122 – Extracurricular Activities
No. 123 – Interscholastic Athletics
No. 918 – Title I Parent and Family Engagement

- * **Motion:** Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that Legislation / Policy items 1 and 2 are approved.

Roll Call Vote:

E. **Personnel** (*Ms. Zych*)

F. **Operations / Cooperative Services** (*Mr. Goode*)

No action is requested.

XI. **SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** – Public comment is limited to residents or taxpayers of this district. The second public comment period is for other matters of concern within the authority of the School Board. To register to make a public comment, please contact the Board Secretary during business hours, but no later than 12 p.m., on the day of the meeting by email (boardsecretary@fcasd.edu), telephone (412-967-2413), or at the district office (611 Field Club Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238). Please provide your name, complete address, telephone number, the subject of the comment or topic to be addressed, and any group affiliation. During the meeting, the Board Secretary will call those community members scheduled to comment by telephone. Sign-in sheets will also be provided at each meeting for those attending who wish to offer public comment and did not register in advance.

XII. **FOX CHAPEL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE**

XIII. **BOARD COMMENTS**

XIV. **ADJOURNMENT**

* **Motion:** Moved by _____ and seconded by _____,
that the meeting is adjourned. Time: _____.

Voice Vote:

NOTE: Attachments cited within the agenda are available for the public on the district website. Anyone without access to the district website who wishes to review the attachments may do so by contacting the Board Secretary during regular business hours.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Enrollment and Fire Drills

B. Information

•High School Marching Band Places First at Yough PIMBA Competition

The Fox Chapel Area High School Marching Band won first place in the Class AA division at the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Marching Band Association (PIMBA) competition held September 27, 2025, at Yough Senior High School. Additionally, the band also received awards for the highest music, general effect, and visual scores in its division. The theme of this year's show is "From the Ashes."

The band is under the student direction of drum majors senior **Sophia Nguansiri** and junior **Nadre Digbohau**, and band directors/teachers **Daryl Lesnik**, **Evan Hertrick**, **Joshua Branker**, and **Karli Umholtz**.

•Three FCAHS 2025 Grads Published

A recent Fox Chapel Area High School graduate won a writing award, and two other graduates had their writing published as part of the 2025 Ralph Munn Creative Writing Contest. 2025 graduate **Meera Reddy** won second place, and a \$100 prize, in the poetry category for her piece "Slam Dunk." Meera also had a prose piece, "I'm Not Good Enough.," qualify for publishing in the 2025 "Ralph Munn Creative Writing Anthology." Additionally, **Anna Delale-O'Connor** had a short prose piece, "Dinner for One," and **Devon McDonald** had a short prose piece, "Lying in a Puddle," published in the anthology as well. These pieces were all submitted when the graduates were seniors at Fox Chapel Area High School.

The contest, sponsored by the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, was open to all high school students in grades 9-12 across Allegheny County. The entries of the winners and others are published in an anthology which can be viewed at <https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/read/70791062/2025-ralph-munn-creative-writing-anthology>.

This year, 43 teens had their poetry and prose published in the anthology. The work of the winners and honorees will be displayed during the month of November at Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's main branch gallery. There will also be a gallery event in November to honor the students.

C. Fox Chapel Area School Board Upcoming Meetings

November 5, 2025

6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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November 10, 2025

7 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	Kerr Elementary	Gym
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November 11, 2025

6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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November 25, 2025

6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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December 2, 2025 (Tuesday)

7 p.m.	Reorganization Meeting & Combined Agenda Study Session and Regular Business Meeting	High School	LGI Room
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January 6, 2026

6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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January 13, 2026

6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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January 20, 2026

6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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February 3, 2026

6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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February 17, 2026

6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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February 24, 2026

6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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March 3, 2026

6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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March 10, 2026

6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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March 25, 2026

6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
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