FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
September 22, 2021

I. The September 22, 2021 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 Mrs. Boyle at 6:58 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Moment of Contemplation

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.

Policy No. 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings is posted on the bulletin board in the Board Room.

*Suspend the provision of Policy No. 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings pertaining to public participant(s) statements which will be limited to three minutes at this meeting.

IV. Roll Call: Present: Susan Boyle, Barry Himes, Joshua Hyland, Mark Lux, James McKendree, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson, and Patricia Wilson. Absent: None.

Others in attendance were Jeffrey Boyer, David Gates, Administrators; Attorney Carl Beard, Jr. Solicitor; Jill Vuckovich, FAEA; Jeff Novotny, Rick Stancombe, Parents; Kathy Weeks, Grandparent; Robert Weeks, Alumni; Susan Sheesley, PSEA-R; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.

V. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

Jill Vuckovich, FAEA, spoke about contract negotiations.

The following addressed the Board regarding masks:

-- Jeff Novotny, Parent
-- Rick Stancombe, Parent
-- Kathy Weeks, Grandparent
-- Robert Weeks, Alumni

VI.	Committees Agenda
	An Executive Session was held on September 15, 2021 before the Board Workshop Meeting at 7:16 p.m. for legal matters. The Executive Session ended at 8:02 p.m.
1.	Board
	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lux, to approve the BD-06-09/21 through BD-09-09/21.
BD-06-09/21	Approve the September 22, 2021 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-07-09/21 through ST-11-09/21).
BD-07-09/21	Approve the Minutes of the August 25, 2021 Board Meeting, as presented.
BG-03-09/21	Approve the "Bishop McCort Catholic High School," Responsible Officers Tom Smith/Ralph DeMarco, to use the Football Field/Football Stadium for Varsity and Junior High football practices, September 1, 2021 through October 8, 2021, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received certificate of liability insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)
BG-04-09/21	Approve the request of the "Ferndale Borough Recreation," Responsible Officer Owen Hofecker III, to use the Senior High Gymnasium/ Elementary Gymnasium for elementary basketball for girls and boys in grades K-6, September 9, 2021 through May 31, 2022, (days and hours will vary) for practices, drills and skills; providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)
E-09-09/21	Renew a Cooperative Agreement between Mount Aloysius College and Ferndale Area School District for participation in the College In High School Program for the 2021-2022 school year.
E-10-09/21	Renew a Cooperative Agreement between Penn Highlands Community College and Ferndale Area School District for participation in the College In High School Program for the 2021-2022 school year.

E-11-09/21

Approve Dual Enrollment classes to be offered in the 2021-2022 school year:

Mount Aloysius:

-- Calculus (Marsha Baumbaugh)
Math 112, College Algebra (3 credits)
-- Advanced Chemistry (Erin Siverd)
CH 101, Chemistry I (4 credits)
-- Anatomy & Physiology (Christopher Gallaher)
BIOL 201, Anatomy & Physiology (4 credits)

Penn Highlands Community College:

-- Advanced Algebra/Trigonometry (Marsha Baumbaugh)
MAT 131, Intermediate Algebra (3 credits)
-- Psychology (Daniel Endler)
PSY 100, General Psychology (3 credits)
-- Advanced Chemistry (Erin Siverd)
CHM 120, General Chemistry I (4 credits)
-- French II or III (Melissa Henderson)
FRE 01, French I (3 credits)
-- US Government (Ronald Jones)
GOV 100, Intro to American National Government (3 credits)
-- Calculus (Marsha Baumbaugh)
MAT 170, Pre Calculus (3 credits)
-- Microcomputer Applications (Kayla Hemminger)
CIT 100, Microcomputer Apps (3 credits)
-- Sociology (Daniel Endler)
SOC 100, Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)

Saint Francis University:

-- Anatomy & Physiology (Christopher Gallaher)
BIOL 105 B, Human Biology (3 credits)
-- Human Chemistry I (Erin Siverd)
CHEM 113 + Lab, Human Chemistry I (4 credits)
-- Calculus (Marsha Baumbaugh)
MATH 112, Calculus (3 credits)
-- Statistics (Marsha Baumbaugh)
STAT 101, Statistics (3 credits)

F-05-09/21	Approve the August Treasurer's Report, as presented.
F-06-09/21	Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.
IF-05-09/21	Received a letter from the PDE advising the status of Ferndale Area School District's compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). On June 24, 2021, PDE was notified by the Federal Office of Special Education Programs that Pennsylvania has received the determination of "meets requirements" for federal fiscal year 2019. Pennsylvania also received the "meets requirements" determination for fourteen of the fifteen years that the OSEP has been issuing its determinations. Determinations are based on the LEA's performance for FFY 2019. Based on this review, the PDE has determined that Ferndale Area School District "meets requirements" of Part B of the IDEA.
ST-11-09/21	Approve 30 students (Juniors/Seniors) attend the Cambria County College Fair at the Pasquerilla Center on September 21, 2021. Cost: Transportation: $110.00. (District)
BD-08-09/21	Approve, as read, the Second Reading of the following policies and adopt said policies: -- Revised Policy No. 146.1 Trauma-Informed Approach -- Revised Policy No. 218.1 Weapons -- Revised 218.2 Terroristic Threats -- Policy No. 236.1 Threat Assessment -- Revised Policy No. 247 Hazing -- Revised Policy No. 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying -- Revised Policy No. 328 Compensation Plans/Salary Schedules -- Revised Policy No. 338.1 Compensated Professional Leaves -- Revised Policy No. 605 Tax Levy -- Revised Policy No. 609 Investment of District Funds -- Policy No. 610 Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation -- Revised Policy No. 611 Purchases Budgeted -- Policy No. 620 Fund Balance -- Revised Policy No. 626 Federal Fiscal Compliance
BD-09-09/21	Approve the Revised Policy No. 008 Organization Chart Attachment. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Hyland, Lux, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

IBD-03-09/21	Voting of PSBA candidates for the Offices of President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees, School Board Secretaries Forum, Forum Steering Committee. (Barry Himes)
2.	Buildings and Grounds
IBG-02-09/21	Sewage Project - Special Education House (David Gates)
3.	Cafeteria
	None.
4.	Education
	Mr. Lux made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve E-12-09/21 and E-13-09/21.
E-12-09/21	Review and approve the Ferndale Area School District 2021-2024 Comprehensive Plan and submit to PDE: -- Induction Plan (Chapter 49) -- Professional Development Plan (Act 48) -- Gifted Education Plan Assurances (Chapter 16)
E-13-09/21	Approve the Revised 2021-2022 K4-12 School Calender. (William Brotz) -- October 1, 2021 (two hour early dismissal - Professional Development) -- May 26, 2022 (two hour early dismissal - Clerical) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Hyland, Lux, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
IE-10-09/21	Elementary and High School Highlights Report. (Rachelle Hrabosky, Travis Robison)
IE-11-09/21	The Senior Class of 2022 will be required to complete 20 hours of community service hours due to the previous waivers for service hours in the 2019-2020 school year and the 2020-2021 school year due to the ongoing Covid-19 Pandemic restrictions. Unless otherwise changed, the Class of 2023 will be required to submit 30 community service hours, and the Class of 2024 will be required to complete and submit 40 community service hours.

5. Finance

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Himes, to approve F-07-09/21 through F-11-09/21.

F-07-09/21 Remove Sharon Lovette as signatory from First Commonwealth Bank for Ferndale Area School District General Account, Activity Account and Athletic Account and add Jeffrey Boyer, Superintendent; David Gates, Business Manager; Travis Robison, Jr-Sr High School Principal; and Staci Buksa, High School Secretary.

F-08-09/21 Approve a Service Agreement with Chester County Intermediate Unit for ten hours of PIMS support services at a cost of $1,000. Additional needs or special projects - $100/hour.

F-09-09/21 Approve an Engagement Letter for Bond Counsel Services with Dinsmore & Shohl, Pittsburgh.

F-10-09/21 Approve the following Resolution:

Authorizing the incurring of nonelectoral debt by the issuance of a general obligation note in the principal amount of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars ($750,000); covenanting to pay, and pledging all available revenues for the payment of, the note; fixing the form, interest rate, maturity, redemption and other provisions for the payment thereof; accepting a proposal for the purchase of the note; authorizing a filing of required documents with the Department of Community and Economic Development; ratifying and directing certain actions of officers; and making certain other covenants and provisions in respect of the note.

F-11-09/21 Approve Jeffrey Boyer, Superintendent, and David Gates, Business Manager, to sign the loan documents with First National Bank of PA for a loan of $750,000 to finance the Junior-Senior High School Sewage Project.

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Hyland, Lux, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

6.	Personnel Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. McKendree, to approve P-13-09/21 through P-14-09/21.
P-13-09/21	Approve the following extra pay for extra duty applicants for the 2021-2022 school year: -- Detention Monitor-1 hour session - Arthur McClucas -- Detention Monitor-3 hour session - Gwen Gaviola
P-14-09/21	Post/advertise the following: -- Year-long Elementary Substitute Teacher -- Title I Aide -- Special Education Aide Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Hyland, Lux, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
7.	Student Activities None.
8.	Workshops/Conferences Dr. McKendree made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the following workshops/conferences:
W-01-09/21	Jeffrey Boyer, *Leadership Course: Crisis Leadership: Ensuring Continuity of Education in Turbulent Times Online Course* through Allegheny Intermediate Unit. Cost: $299.00. (District)
W-02-09/21	Travis Robison, *Pennsylvania Principals Conference Lead 21*, October 10-12, 2021. Cost: Registration: $300.00. Lodging: $299.70. Total Cost: $599.70. (District)
W-03-09/21	Jeffrey Boyer, Travis Robison, *Leadership & Innovation Network,* November 3, 2021, State College. Registration: $25.00 each. Lodging for one: $87.69. Total Cost: $137.69. (District) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Hyland, Lux, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

The October Board Workshop Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 20, 2021. The October Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 27, 2021.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. All were in favor.