FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
October 9, 2019

I. The October 9, 2019 Board Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board was held in the Board Room of the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center, 445 Schoolhouse Road, Johnstown. The Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Chobany at 6:30 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. Please turn off or silence all electronic devices and refrain from use during the meeting.

Policy No. 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings is available from the Recording Secretary.

IV. Roll Call: Present: Susan Boyle, Sandra Chobany, Melissa Garman Joshua Hyland, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson, and Patricia Wilson. Absent: James McKendree.

Student Board Representatives: Present Sara Norman, Justin Pavic.

Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, David Gates, William Brotz, Molly O'Neil, Travis Robison, Administrators; Attorney Jennifer Dambeck, Solicitor; Laurel Bell, Michael Molchan, FAEA; Susan Sheesley, PSEA Retired; Owen Standley, Resident; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.

V. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

IBD-08-10/19 Owen Standley, Resident, addressed the Board regarding a Peace Advocacy Hub training.

VI. Committees Agenda

1. Board

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve BD-14-10/19 through BD-17-10/17

BD-14-10/19 Approve the October 9, 2019 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-15-10/19 through IST-04-10/19).

BD-15-10/19 Approve the Minutes of the September 18, 2019 Board Meeting, as presented.

IBD-09-10/19 The Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Board of Directors has approved the election of IU8 Board Members through the method of mail ballot.

IE-13-10/19 Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, October 14, 2019, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Elementary School and the Junior-Senior High School.

IE-14-10/19 The following has been assigned as a student observer (UPJ Education Division) at the Ferndale Area High School (50 field hours):

Student Observer	Supervisor	
Abrielle Furfari	Tonia Mitchell	Cheerleading

F-06-10/19 Approve the September Treasurer's Report, as presented.

F-07-10/19 Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.

IF-07-10/19 Receipts and disbursements.

IP-03-10/19 Employee #19203324 will be on a FML from approximately October 17, 2019 through approximately December 12, 2019.

IST-04-10/19 Received a thank you letter from PennState Health Children's Hospital thanking Ferndale Area Elementary School for raising $1,368 for fund life-saving research and world-class care for kids and families fighting childhood cancer.

BD-16-10/19 Approve, as read, the Second Reading of the following policies, and adopt said policies:

-- Revised Policy No. 201 Admission of Students
-- Revised Policy No. 204 Attendance
-- Revised Policy No. 208 Withdrawal from School
-- Revised Policy No. 209 Health Examinations/Screenings
-- Revised Policy No. 227 Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia
-- Revised Policy No. 808 Food Services

IBD-10-10/19 Review of the following policies. (Carole Kakabar)

-- Revised Policy No. 220 Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials
-- Revised Policy No. 229 Student Fundraising
-- Policy No. 625 District Credit Card
-- Policy No. 702.1 Crowdfunding
-- Revised Policy No. 913 NonSchool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

BD-17-10/19 Approve, as read, the First Reading of the following policies:

-- Revised Policy No. 220 Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials
-- Revised Policy No. 229 Student Fundraising
-- Policy No. 625 District Credit Card
-- Policy No. 702.1 Crowdfunding
-- Revised Policy No. 913 NonSchool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

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

2. Cafeteria

None.

3. Education

IE-15-10/19 Presentation on 2019 Student Achievement Grades 3-11 (Molly O'Neil)

IE-16-10/19 Elementary School and Junior-Senior Highlights are at your seats.

IE-17-10/19 Student Board Representatives Report.

IE-18-10/19 September 24, 2019 GJCTC JOC Highlights (Melissa Garman/Stephen Thompson)

4. Finance

None.

The Board went into an Executive Session at 7:58 p.m. for personnel. The Executive Session ended at 9:27 p.m.

5. Personnel

P-35A-10/19 Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to amend the agenda and add post and/or advertise for a Full-time Special Education Department Secretary. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-38-10/19 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to amend the agenda and add hiring Rodney Green for an operational review of the District at a cost not to exceed $10,000. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve P-35-10/19, P-36-10/19, P-37-10/19, P-39-10/19.

P-35-10/19 Approve the following extra pay for extra duty applicants prorated from November 12, 2019 through the end of the 2019-2020 school year:

-- Secondary Mathematics Department Chair - Crystal Burkhart
-- Secondary Learning Support English Mentor - Lesley Miller

P-36-10/19 Post and/or advertise the following:

-- Secondary Special Education Teacher
-- Long term Substitute Secondary Mathematics Teacher
-- Assistant Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach
-- Assistant Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach
-- Full-time Special Education Department Secretary

P-37-10/19 Approve the resignation of Molly O'Neil, Junior-Senior Assistant High School Principal, letter dated October 5, 2019.

P-39-10/19 Hire Rodney Green for an operational review of the District at a cost not to exceed $10,000.

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: Pavic - P-37-10/19 only. Abstained: None. Absent: McKendree. The motion carried.

6.	Buildings and Grounds
BG-10-10/19	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve the Business Manager to research and negotiate natural gas rates and lock-in pricing if appropriate. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: McKendree. The motion carried.
7.	Student Activities
	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve ST-31-10/19 through ST-33-10/19.
ST-31-10/19	Approve the Advanced Chemistry Class and Anatomy & Physiology Students (18-40 students) attendance at Mount Aloysius College Health Quest on October 24, 2019. Cost: Transportation: $240.00. Substitute for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $400.00. (District)
ST-32-10/19	Approve the Advanced Chemistry Class and Anatomy & Physiology Students (18 students) field trip to Soldiers and Sailor Memorial Hall in Pittsburgh on November 20, 2019. Cost: Transportation: $410.00. Substitute for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $670.00. (District)
ST-33-10/19	Approve the Advanced Chemistry Class and Anatomy & Physiology Students (18 students) participation in St. Francis University Science Day on November 26, 2019. Cost: Transportation: $260.00. Substitute for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $420.00. (District)
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: McKendree. The motion carried.
8.	Workshops/Conferences
	Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve the following workshops/conferences:
W-02-10/19	Karl Hofmann, BCIT Teacher; *International Training Tour* in Rome, Italy on November 7, 8, 2019. Expenses paid by EF Educational Tours
W-03-10/19	Nicole Babik, Health & Physical Education Teacher; *Pennsylvania State Association for Health, Physical Education Recreation & Dance State Conference* in Manheim on December 5, 6, 2019. Cost: Registration: $150.00. Lodging: $420.00. Travel: $196.36. Substitute: $160.00. Total Cost: $905.16. (Title II)

W-04-10/19

Lauren Bell, Erin Siverd, Science Teachers; *Pennsylvania Educational Technology Expo & Conference* in Pittsburgh on February 24, 25, 26, 2020. Cost: Registration for each: $257.00. Shared Lodging: $471.00. Meals for each: $75.00. Travel: $81.20. Substitutes for two for three days: $480.00. Total Cost: $1,696.20. (Title II)

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

The November Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 6, 2019.

A Finance Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 p.m. All were in favor.