FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
October 17, 2018

I. The October 17, 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 Mrs. Chobany at 6:06 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 posted on the bulletin board in the Board Room.

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

Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, William Brotz, David Gates, Rachelle Hrabosky, Molly O'Neil, Travis Robison; Administrators; Lori Beck, Laura Bell, Renee Dryer, Maeve Koshute, Ronald Lasko, Kathleen McCreery, Laura Miller, Stephanie Mino, Susan Pudliner, Jenna Ricci, Amy Schmidt, Michelle Sendek, Kimberly Shrift, Judith Virgin, Jill Vuckovich, FAEA; Susan Sheesley, PSEA-Retired; Joyce Leberknight, Resident; Jessica Bennett, Parent; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.

Student Board Representatives

Gabrielle Dodson, Senior (Absent)
We welcome Sara Norman as our Junior Student Board Representative. (Absent)

V. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

Jill Vuckovich, FAEA, stated FAEA was thankful that the Board Labor Committee met with the FAEA for a liaison meeting.

VI.	Committees Agenda
1.	Board
BD-08-10/18	Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve the October 17, 2018 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-09-10/18 through W-02-10/18).
BD-09-10/18	Approve the Minutes of the September 19, 2018 Board Meeting, as presented.
IBD-13-10/18	The Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Board of Directors has approved the election of IU8 Board Members through the method of mail ballot.
BG-09-10/18	Approve the following bus drivers for Mlaker Transportation, Inc. for the 2018-2019 school year: -- John Goss, Jr. -- Terry Kuhn -- Mary Ann Savering
IC-01-10/18	Submitted a grant application to PDE Division of Food and Nutrition, 2018 Food Service Equipment Grant, totaling $13,211.24 for a gas convection oven at Ferndale Area Junior-Senior High School.
IE-16-10/18	Parent/Teacher Conferences were held on Monday, October 8, 2018, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Elementary School and the Junior-Senior High School.
IE-17-10/18	Ferndale Area Elementary School was awarded a Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Career Readiness Mini-Grant in the amount of $1,397, for Paws in Jobland and Virtual Job Shadowing for grades K-6.
IE-18-10/18	The federal STEM grant consortium consisting of Greater Johnstown School District, Ferndale Area School District and Connellsville School District were informed that our application was not selected for funding for the 2018 Education-Innovation-Research Award. Only 1 application from Pennsylvania was selected for funding.
F-06-10/18	Approve the September Treasurer's Report, as presented.
F-07-10/18	Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.

IF-06-10/18	Received notification from the Department of Education that the 2019-2020 Act 1 base index for allowable property tax increases is 2.3%. The adjusted index for Ferndale Area School District is 3.6%. Ferndale Area School District current tax millage is 84.0 which allows a maximum tax increase of 3.02 mills for 2019-2020 to comply with the requirements of Act 1 of 2006.
IF-07-10/18	Receipts and disbursements.
ST-38-10/18	Approve the Advanced Chemistry Class and Interested Students (30-35 students) attendance at Mount Aloysius College Health Quest on October 24, 2018. Cost: Transportation: $235.00. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $315.00. (District)
ST-39-10/18	Approve the Guidance Department (4 students) participation in the Clara Barton Forum in Johnstown on November 7, 2018. Cost: Registration: $100.00. (District)
ST-40-10/18	Approve the English 12 Class (54 students) field trip to the US Holocaust Memorial in Washington DC on November 13, 2018. (Transportation paid by the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies) Substitutes for five: $400.00. (District)
ST-41-10/18	Approve the Grade 10 students and undecided students (65 students) field trip to Penn Highlands Community College on November 16, 2018. Cost: Transportation: $210.00. Substitute for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $370.00. (District)
	Approve the following conferences/workshops:
W-02-10/18	Lori McGough, Food Service Director; *Orientation to School Food Service Workshop* in Harrisburg on October 9, 10, 2018. Cost: Lodging: $177.60. Meals: $80.00. Travel: $183.53. Total Cost: $441.13. (Cafeteria)
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.

BD-10-10/18 Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Dr. McKendree, to approve, as read, the Second Reading of the following policies and adopt said policies:

-- Revised Policy No. 210.1 Possession/ Administration of Asthma Inhalers/Epinephrine Auto-Injectors
-- Revised Policy No. 808 Food Services
-- Revised Policy No. 815 Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources.

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

IBD-14-10/18 PASA-PSBA School Leadership Conference on October 17 - 19, 2018 will not be attended by a Ferndale Area School District School Board Representative.

2. Buildings and Grounds

IBG-05-10/18 An update on grants submitted for Safe Schools and Act 44 PCCD Part A meritorious grant and Part B competitive grant. (William Brotz/Travis Robison)

3. Cafeteria

IC-02-10/18 An update on the new Grab and Go Breakfast - grant funded new program for 2018-2019 school year. (Carole Kakabar)

4. Education

IE-19-10/18 Update on Social Worker Position - Carole Kakabar.

IE-20-10/18 Highlights for Elementary, Junior-Senior High School, and GJCTC JOC meeting are at your seats.

IE-21-10/18 Introduction of Student Board Representatives.

5. Finance

F-08-10/18 Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve a 2 year agreement with Atlantic Broadband to provide internet access to the District. (David Gates) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.

6. Workshops/Conferences

Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Dr. McKendree, to approve the following workshops/conferences:

W-03-10/18 Lynn Bennett, Christa Haire, Michelle Koposko, Janine McClelland, Kimberly Oakley, Susan Varga; *Non-Violent Crisis Refresher* on November 7, 2018 at IU8 Richland. Cost: Registration for each: $25.00. Shared Travel: $15.82. Substitute for three: $240.00. Total Cost: $405.82. (Title II)

W-04-10/18 Nicole Babik, Health & Physical Education Teacher; *The Pennsylvania State Associate for Health, Physical Education Recreation & Dance Convention* on November 8, 9, 2018 at Seven Springs. Cost: Registration: $150.00. Lodging: $193.00. Travel: $49.38. Substitute for two days: $160.00. Total Cost: $552.38. (Title II)

W-05-10/18 Michelle Sendek, *ESL Cohort Q* in Ebensburg:

-- *Instructional Materials II - Materials and Strategies for ELLS*
September 25, 2018; October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2018

-- *Assessment and Support for English Language Learners*
November 6, 13, 20, 27, 2018, December 4, 11, 18, 2018, January 2, 8, 2019

-- *Developing Cultural Awareness/Sensitivity*
January 15, 22, 29, 2019, March 12, 19, 26, 2019, April 2, 9, 16, 2019

-- *English Language Structure and The Common Core Standards*
April 23, 30, 2019, May 7, 2019

-- *Culminating ESL Experience*
May 14, 21, 29, 2019

Cost: Training: $2,160 paid by Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8/ESL Consortium. Mileage: $720.00. Substitute for 30 days: $2,400.00. Total Cost: $3,120.00. (Title II)

W-06-10/18 Erin Siverd, Chemistry Teacher; *Chemical Safety and Management Workshop* at Westmoreland IU7 on November 6, 2018. Cost: Travel: $40.00. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $120.00. (Title II)

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

The Board went into an Executive Session at 6:35 p.m. for personnel and Safe Schools. The Executive Session ended at 10:37 p.m.

7. Personnel

P-27-10/18 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the resignation of Terry Kauffman, High School Cleaner, effective October 5, 2018. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-28-10/18 Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve the retirement resignation of Susan Varga, Elementary Special Education Teacher, effective June 30, 2019. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-29-10/18 Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to amend the agenda and add a motion to approve Daniel R. Hutton as an independent contractor with Ferndale Area School District to provide instrumental lessons to K-12 students, beginning approximately November 5, 2018 when school is in session for the 2018-2019 school year, at a rate of $20.00 per hour worked from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., pending proof of liability insurance and acceptance of the agreement by Mr. Hutton. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-30-10/18 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve Daniel R. Hutton as an independent contractor with Ferndale Area School District to provide instrumental lessons to K-12 students, beginning approximately November 5, 2018 when school is in session for the 2018-2019 school year, at a rate of $20.00 per hour worked from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., pending proof of liability insurance and acceptance of the agreement by Mr. Hutton. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, McKendree, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.

IP-04-10/18 Employee #18197950 will be on a Family Medical Leave from September 25, 2018 through approximately November 6, 2018.

8. Student Activities

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Dr. McKendree, to approve ST-42-10/18, ST-43-10/18, and ST-44-10/18.

ST-42-10/18 Approve the resignation of Daniel Gehlmann, Assistant Varsity Football Coach, effective September 20, 2018.

ST-43-10/18 Approve the resignation of Benjamin Goggin, Head Junior High Football Coach, effective October 6, 2018.

ST-44-10/18 Approve the Marching Band field trip to Walt Disney World, Orlando, Florida, April 10 - 15, 2019. All expenses paid by fundraising, estimated cost $850.00 per student. Substitutes for four days: $360.00. (District)

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

The November Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m. All were in favor.