FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
March 22, 2017

I.	The March 22, 2017 Board Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board was held in the Board Room of the Elementary School, 100 Dartmouth Avenue, Johnstown, Pennsylvania. The Meeting was called to order by Mr. Meekins at 6:07 p.m.
II.	Pledge of Allegiance
III.	Moment of Contemplation
	Notice was given that the Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board conducted in the Board 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, Wayne Meekins, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson, and Patricia Wilson. Absent: Joshua Hyland.
	Student Board Representatives: Matthew Clawson. Absent: Devin Way.
	Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, John Kowal, William Brotz, Rachelle Hrabosky, Molly O'Neil, Travis Robison, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Lauren Bell, Lynn Bennett, Janice Koontz, Stephanie Mino, Michael Molchan, Jenna Ricci-Dykes, Michelle Sendek, Judith Virgin, Jill Vuckovich, FAEA; Karl Hofmann, Teacher; David Gates, Business Manager; Lori McGough, Food Service Director; Brandon Anderson, Michael Ferut, Sean Norman, Brady Snyder, Students; Len Findley, Chris Norman, Aaron Synder, Melissa Synder, Parents; Holly Shurin, Visitor; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.
V.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association
IE-45-03/17	Education Spotlight - Three Junior-Senior High School BCIT Students placed at the 2017 Pennsylvania Computer Fair (Karl Hofmann, BCIT Teacher, Michael Ferut, Grade 11, Brandon Anderson, Grade 10, and Brady Synder, Grade 9.
IBD-24-03/17	A Finance Presentation was held on March 22, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room for Board Members and FAEA Negotiating Team Members.

VI.	Committees Agenda
1.	Board
BD-41-03/17	Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the March 22, 2017 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-42-03/17 through ST-60-03/17).
BD-42-03/17	Approve the Minutes of the February 15, 2017 Board Meeting and the Special Board Meeting of March 1, 2017, as presented.
BG-17-03/17	Approve the request of the Winner's Circle Basketball Academy, Responsible Officer Ryan Durham, to use the Ferndale Area Senior High Gymnasium for basketball tryouts and practices on Saturdays and Sundays (March 4, 2017 through May 21, 2017), from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)
BG-18-03/17	Approve the request of the "Ferndale Area Cheerleading Boosters," Responsible Officer Lanelle Moore, to use the Junior High Gymnasium for a Cheer Clinic on March 25, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)
BG-19-03/17	Approve the request of the "Ferndale Area Cheerleading Boosters," Responsible Officer Lanelle Moore, to use the Senior High Gymnasium, chairs and tables for a Junior High School Dance on March 31, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)
BG-20-03/17	Approve the request of the "Grades 4-8 Community Cheerleading Squad," Responsible Officer Brittany Hybki, to use the Junior High Gymnasium and cheer mats for cheerleading tryouts on April 5, 6, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and for competition cheerleading practices June 5, 2017 through August 14, 2017, when available, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)

BG-21-03/17 Approve the request of the Center for Community and Public Safety, Responsible Officer Todd Brothers, to use the Junior High Gymnasium and Cafeteria for a PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency Constable Training for Cambria County Constables, Friday, May 12, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday, May 13, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 14, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)

IE-46-03/17 School Calendar - snow make up days will be added to the end of the calendar. Current last day of school/graduation is Wednesday, May 31, 2017.

IE-47-03/17 The first day of school for students will be Wednesday, August 23, 2017.

IE-48-03/17 The following has been assigned as a student observer (UPJ) in the Ferndale Area Junior-Senior High School from February 13, 2017 through April 6, 2017.

Student Observer	Cooperating Teacher	Subject
Kristy Speranza	Janine McClelland	Special Education

F-24-03/17 Approve the February Treasurer's Report, as presented.

F-25-03/17 Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.

IF-21-03/17 Receipts and disbursements.

P-64-03/17 Approve Raymond Jacob, Kadeesha Johnson, Michael Kasuba, Nina Licastro, and Christine Strugala to the substitute teachers list.

P-65-03/17 Approve Monnica Patterson and Dorothy Truscott to the substitute support staff list.

P-66-03/17 Approve Kristy Dickert as a School Volunteer for the 2016-2017 school year.

ST-58-03/17 Approve three BCIT students attendance at the IU8 Computer Fair at Mount Aloysius on March 1, 2017. Cost: Registration: $75.00 each. Travel: $225.00. Substitutes for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $610.00. (District)

ST-59-03/17	Approve 20 Archery students participation in the 2017 PA NASP State Championships at Penn State University on March 10, 2017. Cost: Entry Fee: $220.00. Transportation: $480.00. Substitutes for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $860.00. (District)
ST-60-03/17	Approve the Interior Design Class participation in a walking tour of Ferndale Borough on March 17, 2017. (No cost to District.)
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.
IBD-25-03/17	Distribution of the 2017 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Board Ballot for the election of Board of Directors.
2.	Student Activities
ST-61-03/17	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to post and/or advertise the following winter sport coach positions for the 2017-2018 school year (posted annually on April 1);
	-- Head Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach -- Assistant Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach -- Head Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach -- Assistant Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach -- Head Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach -- Assistant Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach -- Head Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach -- Assistant Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach -- Head Varsity Cheerleader Advisor -- Head Junior High Cheerleader Advisor
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.
IST-04-03/17	Strengthening Family Program - Rachelle Hrabosky.
	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve ST-62-03/17, ST-63-03/17 and ST-64-03/17.
ST-62-03/17	Approve eight to ten Art students' participation in window painting at the Cambria County Library in Johnstown on April 20, 2017. Cost: Transportation: $97.18. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $177.18. (District)

ST-63-03/17	Approve five students attendance at the PMEA Region 3 Band Festival at Richland High School on March 22, 23, 24, 2017. Registration: $70.00 per student. Transportation: $200.00. Meals for Director: $80.00. Travel for Director: $50.00. Substitute for two days: $160.00. Total Cost: $840.00. (District)
ST-64-03/17	Approve Grade 8 students field trip to Mount Aloysius College for Career Exploration Day on May 10, 2017. Cost: Travel: $245.00. Substitutes for two: $160.00. (Paid by Mount Aloysius)
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.
IST-05-03/17	Discussion regarding replacement of Band uniforms - Carole Kakabar.
ST-65-03/17	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve the formation of a Ferndale Area Baseball/Softball Club for the purpose of fund-raising to purchasing t-shirts for the players to wear under their uniform jerseys, food and drink for away games, and any other items that the teams may need. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.
ST-66-03/17	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve Stephen Clawson, Johnstown, as Ferndale Area Baseball/Softball Club Advisor (no additional compensation). Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.
3.	Education
IE-49-03/17	Update on Teacher Contract Negotiations - Carole Kakabar.
IE-50-03/17	Highlights of the Joint Operating Committee - Melissa Garman/Stephen Thompson.
IE-51-03/17	Highlights -- Elementary - Rachelle Hrabosky -- High School - Travis Robison, Molly O'Neil -- Director of Education - William Brotz
IE-52-03/17	Student Board Representatives Report.

The Board took a short recess at 7:25 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

4. Buildings and Grounds

IBG-04-03/17 Opening discussions: School Safety 2017 - Carole Kakabar.

5. Cafeteria

IC-05-03/17 PDE Department of Health and Nutrition Triennial Audit of FASD Food Services Program (March 7, 2017) - Carole Kakabar, Lori McGough.

-- Discussion regarding snacks/parties components of the Wellness Policy and PDE requirements vs. school policy. (Carole Kakabar, Judith Virgin, Lori McGough)

6. Finance

None.

7. Personnel

IP-15-03/17 Nursing Services at FASD - Carole Kakabar, Judith Virgin.

P-67-03/17 Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moschgat, to approve an agreement with Conemaugh Valley School District to contract FASD School Psychologist Services from March 20, 2017 through the end of the school year (June 2, 2017). Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.

IP-16-03/17 Employee #16177213 will be on a leave of absence from March 3, 2017 through May 30, 2017.

P-68-03/17 Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve Michael Kasuba as a long-term substitute Mathematics Teacher, at a rate of $100.00 per day worked, from March 3, 2017 through May 30, 2017. (Employee #16177213 on leave of absence) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Hyland. The motion carried.

8. Workshops/Conferences

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

W-13-03/17 Gwen Gaviola, Spanish Teacher; *Making Best Use of Apps, Digital Devices and Other Cutting-Edge Technology Tools* in the World Language Classroom on March 20, 2017 in Pittsburgh. Cost: Registration: $245.00. Travel: $88.90. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $413.90. (Title II)

W-14-03/17 William Brotz; *PAFPC Annual Conference* on May 7, 8, 9, 10, 2017 at Seven Springs. Cost: Registration: $360.00. Lodging: $480.00. Travel: $50.00. Total Cost: $890.00. (Title II)

W-15-03/17 Molly O'Neil; *PA Positive Behavior Support Implementer's Forum* on May 16, 17, 2017 in Hershey. Cost: Registration: $75.00. Lodging: $169.00. Travel: $156.22. Total Cost: $400.22. (Title II)

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

The GJCTC Joint Board Appreciation Dinner is Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Please RSVP your attendance to Patti Craig by Monday, April 3, 2017.

The April Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m. All were in favor.