FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Room
Board Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2016

I. The February 17, 2016 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 6:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

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.

III. Roll Call: Present: Susan Boyle, Sandra Chobany, Melissa Garman, Joshua Hyland, Wayne Meekins, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson, and Patricia Wilson. Absent: None.

Student Board Representatives: Present: Grace Bailey. Absent: Devin Way.

Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, John Kowal; Molly O'Neil, William Brotz, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Susan Layton, Stephanie Mino, Judith Virgin, FAEA; Brad Boring, Joshua Dick, Alex Geiser, Anthony Rhoads, Blake Sarver, Students; Albert Cooper, Resident; Travis Robinson, Junior-Senior High School Principal; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.

IV. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

IBD-25A-02/16 Judith Virgin, FAEA, Taxpayer, addressed the Board regarding the resignation of an Administrator.

The Board went into an Executive Session at 6:04 p.m. for personnel. The Executive Session ended at 7:08 p.m.

V. Committees Agenda

1. Personnel

P-47-02/16 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve the resignation of Matthew Thomas, Junior-Senior High School Principal, letter dated January 27, 2016. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-48-02/16	Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to employ Travis Robison as the Junior-Senior High School Principal, at an annual salary of $82,250 (prorated), with full benefits, beginning approximately April 18, 2016. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
P-49-02/16	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to employ Karl Hofmann as a Business, Computer and Information Technology Teacher, at an annual salary of $31,500 (prorated), with full benefits, beginning February 18, 2016. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
	The Board took a short recess at 7:12 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:16 p.m.
2.	Board
BD-40-02/16	Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve the February 17, 2016 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-41-02/16 through W-21-02/16).
BD-41-02/16	Approve the Minutes of the January 20, 2016 Board Meeting, as presented.
BG-14-02/16	Approve the request of the Winner's Circle Basketball Academy (Responsible Officer Ryan Durham) to use the Senior High Gymnasium for youth basketball practice on weekends (February 20, 2016 through May 15, 2016) 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.)
F-19-02/16	Approve the January Treasurer's Report, as presented.
F-20-02/16	Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.
F-21-02/16	Approve 2015-2016 grant agreement with Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 for IDEA-B Section 611 CDFA #84.027 and IDEA-B 619 CDFA #84.173.

IF-17-02/16	The Community Foundation for the Alleghenies FASD Endowment Fund donor statement balance for the second quarter (October 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015) is $2,016.65.
IF-18-02/16	Receipts and disbursements.
P-50-02/16	Approve Gary Hale to the substitute teachers list.
IP-06-02/16	Andrew Kilpatrick was appointed as a substitute Elementary AmeriCorps worker. (Vacated by Naomi Whinnie, AmeriCorps.)
W-21-02/16	Lauren Bell, Science Teacher; Laryssa Bremer, Loraine Dodson; Guidance Counselors; Kimberly Reighard, Health & Physical Education Teacher; *SAP Thematic Workshop* at St. Vincent College on February 9, 2016. Cost: Registration for each: $35.00. Shared Travel: $64.80. Substitute for two: $160.00. $364.80. (District) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
IBD-26-02/16	Review proposed policies - Carole Kakabar -- Policy No. 100 Comprehensive Planning -- Policy No. 127 Assessment System -- Policy No. 214 Class Rank -- Policy No. 214 Class Rank Attachment -- Policy No. 215 Promotion and Retention -- Policy No. 217 Graduation
BD-42-02/16	Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve, as read, the First Reading of the following policies: -- Policy No. 100 Comprehensive Planning -- Policy No. 127 Assessment System -- Policy No. 214 Class Rank -- Policy No. 214 Class Rank Attachment -- Policy No. 215 Promotion and Retention -- Policy No. 217 Graduation The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

BD-43-02/16	Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve, as read, the Second Reading of the following policies, and adopt said policies: -- Policy No. 004 Membership -- Policy No. 011 Principles for Governance and Leadership The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
IBD-27-02/16	Public School Employees' Retirement System Board Vacancy - Carole Kakabar.
3.	Buildings and Grounds None.
4.	Cafeteria None.
5.	Education
IE-40-02/16	Act 1 of 2016 - Carole Kakabar.
IE-41-02/16	Recent disciplinary actions/analysis at the Jr-Sr High School - Molly O'Neil, Carole Kakabar.
IE-42-02/16	Highlights of the Joint Operating Committee - Sandra Chobany/Stephen Thompson.
IE-43-02/16	Highlights -- Elementary - Rachelle Hrabosky -- High School - Molly O'Neil -- Director of Education - William Brotz
IE-44-02/16	Student Board Representatives Report.

6.	Finance
F-22-02/16	Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve the tentatively adopted 2016-2017 Greater Johnstown Area Career and Technology Center/AVTS Joint Operating Committee General Fund Secondary Budget. General Fund Secondary Budget: $3,980,891.00 Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
7.	Student Activities
ST-57-02/16	Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve Daniel Gehlmann as a Volunteer Varsity Football Coach for the 2016-2017 season. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve ST-58-02/16 through ST-64-02/16.
ST-58-02/16	Approve the Fifth Grade students field trip to the Young Peoples Concert, performed by the Johnstown Symphony Orchestra, at the Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center on March 22, 2016. Cost: Transportation: $192.00. (Paid by District)
ST-59-02/16	Approve four Fifth Grade Chorus students participation in District 6 Elementary Song Fest at Berlin Brothersvalley High School on May 6, 2016. Cost: Registration for each: $20.00. Shared Travel: $55.00. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $215.00. (District)
ST-60-02/16	Approve four students and the Band Director attendance at PMEA Region Band Festival at Juniata Valley High School on March 10,11, 12, 2016. Cost: Registration per student: $65.00. Shared Travel: $100.00. Lodging for students: $200.00. Director's Food: $80.00. Director's Lodging: $150.00. Director's Travel: $60.00. Substitute for two days: $160.00. Total Cost: $1,010.00. (District)
ST-61-02/16	Approve Forensics Speech Team (7 students) attendance at the Greater Johnstown High School - District Competition on February 26, 2016. Cost: Transportation: $95.27. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $175.27. (District)

ST-62-02/16	Approve five to eight Technology students to attend the Pennsylvania Computer Fair on March 11, 2016 at Penn State Altoona. Cost: Transportation: $155.00. Substitutes for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $315.00. (District)
ST-63-02/16	Approve nine Archery students participation in the State National Archery in Schools Program at State College on March 11, 2016. Cost: Registration: $99.00. Travel: $450.00. Substitutes for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $709.00. (District)
ST-64-02/16	Approve French students field trip to Station Square, Gateway Clipper on May 18, 2016. No cost to District.
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
8.	Workshops/Conferences
	Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve the following workshops/conferences:
W-22-02/16	Lauren Bell, Science Teacher; Rachel Livesey, English Teacher; *Pennsylvania Educational Technology Exposition Conference* in Hershey on February 22, 23, 2015. Cost: Registration for each: $195.00. Shared Lodging: $230.88. Meals for each: $50.00. Travel: $194.00. Substitutes for two: $320.00. Total Cost: $1,234.88 (Title II)
W-23-02/16	Christian Giannone, School Psychologist; *Dealing With Difficult People* in Johnstown on March 15, 2016. Cost: Registration: $149.00. Meals: $15.00. Total Cost: $164.00. (District)
W-24-02/16	Stephen Clawson, Athletic Director; Judith Virgin, School Nurse; *BrainSteps Presentation and Concussion Training* at St. Francis College on March 15, 2016. Cost: Meals for each: $12.00. Shared Travel: $33.70. Substitutes for two: $120.00. Total Cost: $177.70. (District)
W-25-02/16	Jessica Maxwell, Coordinator of Special Education; Janine McClelland, Special Education Teacher; *Autism: Putting the Pieces Together* at Saint Francis College on April 1, 2016. Cost: Registration for each: $75.00. Meals for each: $10.00. Shared Travel: $40.00. Total Cost: $210.00. (ACCESS)

W-26-02/16 William Brotz, *Pennsylvania Association Federal Programs Coordinators Annual Conference* at Seven Springs on May 2, 3, 4, 2016. Cost: Registration: $360.00. Lodging: $717.00. Travel: $50.00. Total Cost: $1,127.00 (Title I)

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

The March Board Meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

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