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FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Room
Board Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2016

I.	The March 16, 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 7:04 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, Joshua Hyland, Wayne Meekins, Richard Pavic, and Stephen Thompson. Absent: Melissa Garman, Jason Moschgat, and Patricia Wilson.
	Student Board Representatives Grace Bailey and Devin Way were excused from tonight's meeting.
	Others in attendance were John Kowal, William Brotz, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Susan Layton, Stephanie Mino, Judith Virgin, FAEA; Stephen Clawson, Athletic Director; Leah Cenko, Darius Daily, Gavin Daily, Muhammed Quraishy, Alex Reese, Jason Sabo, Students; Al Cooper, Resident; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.
IV.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association
IBD-28-03/16	A Spring Welcome was held at the Junior-Senior High School Cafeteria on March 16, 2016 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to meet and welcome new administrators to the District.
IBD-29-03/16	Individual Board Pictures will be taken for the yearbook at 5:30 p.m. on April 20, 2016 before the Board Meeting.
V.	Committees Agenda
1.	Board
BD-44-03/16	Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve the March 16, 2016 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-45-03/16 through W-21-03/16).
BD-45-03/16	Approve the Minutes of the February 17, 2016 Board Meeting, as presented.

BG-15-03/16 Approve a letter of agreement for the Brat Pack child care facility to use Ferndale Area Junior-Senior High School as an emergency evacuation site. (Contact person Lisa Glenn)

E-15-03/16 Approve the representatives to the Comprehensive Professional Advisory Planning Committee to participate in district-level comprehensive planning as we work on goals, strategies, and activities to lead the district through the years 2017-2020.

Parent Representatives:

Sandi Chobany	Sarah Riffle
Lori Himes	

Local Business Representative:

Rick Pavic	Patricia Wilson

Community Representatives:

Debi Balog	Brenda Rhodes

Teacher Representatives:

Nola Barton	Crystal Burkhart
Stephanie Mino	Stephen Clawson
Kimberly Oakley	Janice Koontz
	Jessica Szymusiak

Administrative Representatives:

William Brotz	Molly O'Neil
Rachelle Hrabosky	Travis Robison
Carole Kakabar	

Educational Specialists:

Lori Beck	Judith Virgin
Laryssa Bremer	Eileen Zankey
Loraine Dodson	

IE-45-03/16 Due to inclement weather, school was cancelled on February 16, 2016. The snow make-up day will be Thursday, March 24, 2016. A two-hour early dismissal is scheduled for March 24, 2016. Easter holiday will begin Friday, March 25, 2016 through Monday, March 28, 2016. Classes will resume Tuesday, March 29, 2016.

F-23-03/16 Approve the February Treasurer's Report, as presented.

F-24-03/16 Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.

IF-19-03/16	Receipts and disbursements.
P-51-03/16	Approve Mallory Meekins, Susan Stager, and Terry Kauffman to the substitute support staff list.
ST-65-03/16	Approve the Forensics Team (one student) participation in Regional Competition at St. Francis University on February 29, 2016. Cost: Transportation: $260.00. Substitute for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $420.00. (District)
ST-66-03/16	Approve the Forensics Team (one student) participation in Regional Competition Finals at St. Francis University on March 2, 2016. Cost: Transportation: $260.00. Substitute for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $420.00. (District)
W-27-03/16	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, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: Meekins (P-51-03/26 only - due to daughter). Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.
BD-46-03/16	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve, as read, the Second Reading of Policy No. 100 Comprehensive Planning, and adopt said policies. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
	Tabled the following policies: -- 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
IBD-30-03/14	Distribution of the 2016 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Board Ballot for the election of Board of Directors.

2. Student Activities

IST-05-03/16 Winter Sports Recap and Spring Sports Preview - Stephen Clawson, Athletic Director.

ST-67-03/16 Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to post and/or advertise the following winter sport coach positions for the 2016-2017 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, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.

ST-68-03/16 Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve the following Volunteer Coaches for the 2015-2016 Spring Sports Season:

-- Shawn Furfari as a Volunteer Junior High Baseball Coach;

-- Gary Pudliner as a Volunteer Varsity Baseball Coach.

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve ST-69-03/16 through ST-87-03/16

ST-69-03/16 Approve the K4 students field trip to the Jaffa Shrine Circus in Altoona on April 15, 2016. Cost: $345.00. (Elementary Field Trip Account). School Nurse: $80.00. (District)

ST-70-03/16 Approve the Kindergarten students field trip to the Johnstown Children's Museum and Richland Lanes on May 12, 2016. Cost: $490.00. (Elementary Field Trip Account). School Nurse: $80.00. (District)

ST-71-03/16	Approve the First Grade students field trip to the Mountain Playhouse and Sequanto Lutheran Conference Center and Camp on May 13, 2016. Cost: $720.15. (Elementary Field Trip Account). School Nurse: $80.00. (District)
ST-72-03/16	Approve the Second Grade students field trip to Disaster's Edge in St. Michael on May 16, 2016. Cost: $318.00. (Elementary Field Trip Account). School Nurse: $80.00. (District)
ST-73-03/16	Approve the Third Grade students field trip to the Somerset Historical Center on May 5, 2016. Cost: $663.00 (Elementary Field Trip Account). School Nurse: $80.00. (District)
ST-74-03/16	Approve the Fourth Grade students field trip to the Johnstown Flood Memorial in Sidman on May 18, 2016. Cost: $182.00. (Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: $80.00. (District)
ST-75-03/16	Approve the Fifth Grade students field trip to Penn Highlands (One Book) on May 11, 2016. Cost: $220.00. School Nurse: $80.00. (District)
ST-76-03/16	Approve the Fifth Grade students field trip to Fort Ligonier on May 4, 2016. Cost: $442.00 (Elementary Field Trip Account and Somerset Trust). Substitute: $80.00. (District)
ST-77-03/16	Approve the Sixth Grade students field trip to Heinz Field and Carnegie Science Center in Pittsburgh on May 19, 2016. Cost: $1,478.00. (Elementary Field Trip Account). Substitute: $80.00. School Nurse: $80.00. (District)
ST-78-03/16	Approve eight Technology Education students participation in the STEM Competition at Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center on March 17, 2016. Cost: Transportation: $95.27. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $175.27. (District)
ST-79-03/16	Approve four to eight Art students' participation in window painting at the Cambria County Library in Johnstown on April 21, 2016. Cost: Transportation: $95.27. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $175.27. (District)
ST-80-03/16	Approve the Art class field trip to Carnegie Museum of Art in Pittsburgh on May 9, 2016. Cost: Travel: $448.00. Shared travel cost with Spanish Club students and Family and Consumer Science students. (Scaife Family Foundation funding $250.00 for travel.) Substitute: $80.00. (District)

ST-81-03/16	Approve the Spanish Club field trip to Roberto Clemente Museum and Spanish and Peruvian Restaurant on May 9, 2016. Shared travel cost with Art students and Family and Consumer Science students. Substitute: $80.00. (District)
ST-82-03/16	Approve the Family and Consumer Science class field trip to the Pittsburgh Strip District on May 9, 2016. Shared travel cost with Art students and Spanish Club students. Substitute: $80.00. (District)
ST-83-03/16	Approve the Child Development class field trip to The Learning Lamp to study the developmental stages of 3, 4, 5, year olds on May 10, 2016. Travel: $95.27. Substitute: $80.00. Total Cost: $175.27. (District)
ST-84-03/16	Approve Grade 7, 8, 9 students, interested in the HealthCare field, attendance at the Healthcare Career Day at Mount Aloysius on May 11, 2016. Cost: Travel: $240.00. Substitutes for two: $160.00. (Paid by Mount Aloysius)
ST-85-03/16	Approve Junior and Senior students, interested in STEM careers, attendance at the STEM Professions Day at UPJ on April 13, 2016. Cost: Travel: $98.00. (District)
ST-86-03/16	Approve the Ferndale Area High School Marching Band participation in Disney Rehearsal at Richland High School on March 20, 2016. Cost: Travel: $95.27. (District)
ST-87-03/16	Approve the Ferndale Area High School Marching Band participation in Disney Rehearsal at Richland High School on April 3, 2016. Cost: Travel: $95.27. (District)
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.
ST-88-03/16	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve the formation of a Ferndale Area Junior-Senior High School Chapter of SADD (Student Against Destructive Decisions). Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.

3.	Buildings and Grounds
BG-16-03/16	Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve the following bus drivers for Mlaker Transportation, Inc. for the 2015-16 school year: Paul Glessner Ronald Pyle Gregory Horbal The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
4.	Cafeteria
	None.
5.	Education
E-16-03/16	Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve after-school tutoring for grade 7-12 students beginning March 15, 2016 through May 12, 2016 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays when school is in session a full day, at a maximum cost of $5,089.50. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.
IE-46-03/16	Highlights of the Joint Operating Committee - Sandra Chobany/Stephen Thompson.
IE-47-03/16	Highlights -- Elementary -- High School -- Director of Education - William Brotz
6.	Finance
F-25-03/16	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve the 2016-2017 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 General Fund Budget. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.

F-26-03/16 Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve an extension (to June 30, 2016) to the current line of credit, pending review by the District's solicitor, the 2015-2016 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note Loan for $1,500,000 (one million, five hundred thousand dollars) (maximum amount controlled by TRAN regulations) with First National Bank, 532 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901, at an interest rate of 1.96; and also approve the Business Manager to make request draws under the non-revolving line of credit. (See attached Resolution) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.

F-27-03/16 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to remove Matthew Thomas as signatory on all Ferndale Area High School checking accounts and add as signatory Travis Robison. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.

7. Personnel

P-52-03/16 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve Heather Bark as a long-term substitute Elementary Teacher (Grade 3), beginning approximately April 7, 2016 through the end of the 2015-2016 school year, at a rate of $100.00 per day worked. (Jessica Shaffer on leave.) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.

P-53-03/16 Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve entering into a co-operative agreement with Westmont Hilltop School District to share a full-time Social Worker, starting the 2016-2017 school year, (to replace contracted services with Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8). Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Hyland, Meekins, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Garman, Moschgat, and Wilson. The motion carried.

8. Workshops/Conferences

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve the following workshops/conferences:

W-27-03/16 Veronica Shorto, Grade 6 Teacher; *Effective Math Instruction* in State College on March 21, 2016 and May 9, 2016. Cost: Registration: $100.00. Travel: $97.20. Substitute for two days: $160.00. Total Cost: $357.20. (Title II)

W-28-03/16 Rachel Livesey, English Teacher; *AP Summer Institute 2016* in McDonald, June 27 - 30, 2016. Cost: Registration: $950.00. Lodging: $476.00. Meals: $100.00. Travel: $104.76. Total Cost: $1,630.76. (Title II)

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

The April Board Meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. All were in favor.