FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
February 19, 2014

I. The February 19, 2014 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 6:05 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, Melissa Garman, Dale Harrison, Wayne Meekins, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson. Absent: Sandra Chobany and Patricia Wilson.

Student Board Representatives: Taylor Harrison. Absent: Devon Valinsky.

Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, John Kowal; Brian McDermott, Robert Boyle, William Brotz, Administrators; Attorney David Novak, Solicitor; Susan Layton, Stephanie Mino, Teachers; Judith Virgin, School Nurse; Stephen Clawson, Athletic Director; Paul Byer, Ryan Durham, Coaches; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.

The Board and FAEA Negotiating Committees met from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Ferndale Area Elementary Library on February 19, 2014 before the February Board Meeting.

IE-34-02/14 Project 17/20 Spotlight - "A Look into the Future of Technology at Ferndale Area School District" - Michael Stohon, President, In-Shore Technologies. Intro by Carole Kakabar.

The Board took a short break at 7:13 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:20 p.m.

IV. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

V.	Committees Agenda
1.	Board
IBD-26-02/14	Next steps in Project 17/20 - Carole Kakabar. 1. Mindset 2. The Tipping Point 3. Developing an Effective Technology in Education Plan, Careers/Curriculum Plan, Customer Service Plan.
IBD-27-02/14	Contract Negotiation Update.
BD-42-02/14	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve the February 19, 2014 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-43-02/14 through ST-45-02/14).
BD-43-02/14	Approve the Minutes of the January 15, 2014 Board Meeting, as presented.
BG-14-02/14	Approve the request of the Ferndale Baseball Little League (Responsible Officer Anthony Cenko) to use the Junior High Gymnasium for baseball tryouts on Saturday, March 8, 2014 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m, providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)
BG-15-02/14	Approve the request of the Winner's Circle Basketball Academy (Responsible Officer Ryan Durham) to use the Senior High Gymnasium for AAU basketball practice on weekends (February 22, 2014 through June 2, 2014) from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m, providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)
BG-16-02/14	Approve the request of the Ferndale Area Band Boosters (Responsible Officer Mary Storer-Clawson) to use the Junior High Cafeteria/ Kitchen for a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on March 9, 2014 from 9:00 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.)
IE-36-02/14	The Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center's scheduled meeting of the Joint Operating Committee on January 26, 2014 was cancelled due to severe weather conditions.

F-20-02/14	Approve the January Treasurer's Report, as presented.
F-21-02/14	Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.
IF-18-02/14	Received letter from Susan McCrone, Pennsylvania Department of Education, stating FASD 2013-2014 Consolidated Federal Programs Application has been approved.
IF-19-02/14	Receipts and disbursements.
IF-20-02/14	Received a $25.00 donation to the Ferndale Area School District Endowment Fund from Randi Silverman in honor of Debbie Eisenhuth.
P-43-02/14	Approve Carole Conant, Joshua Johnson, Michael Barzeski, Suzanne Grove, and George Lucas to the substitute teachers' list.
ST-45-02/14	One student and the Music teacher attended a PMEA Regional Chorus Festival at Johnstown High School on February 12, 2014. Cost: Student Registration: $75.00. Band Director Meals: $80.00. Band Director Transportation: $72.00. Substitute for two days: $160.00. Total Cost: $387.00. (Paid by District) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Wilson. The motion carried.
BD-44-02/14	Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve, as read, the Second Reading of the following policies and adopt said policies: -- Revised Policy No. 235 Student Rights/Surveys -- Revised Policy No. 236 Student Assistance Program The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
IBD-28-02/14	Review Policy 220 Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials and Policy 913 Nonschool Organizations /Groups/ Individuals.

BD-45-02/14 Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve, as read, the First Reading of the following policies:

-- Revised Policy 220 Student Expression/Distribution And Posting of Materials

-- Revised Policy 913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

2. Buildings and Grounds

None.

3. Cafeteria

None.

4. Education

IE-36-02/14 An early look at Governor Corbett's budget proposal for Education 2014-2015 - Carole Kakabar/John Kowal.

IE-37-02/14 Highlights
-- Elementary - William Brotz
-- High School - Brian McDermott/Robert Boyle

IE-38-02/14 Student Board Representatives Report.

E-07-02/14 Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve Junior-Senior High School parent and student surveys regarding cell phone use at school. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

5. Finance

None.

6.	Student Activities
IST-07-02/14	Winter Sports Recap and Spring Sports Preview - Stephen Clawson, Athletic Director.
	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve the following coaches for the 2014-15 fall sports season:
ST-46-02/14	Charles Ryan as Head Varsity Football Coach, for a 16-week season, salary is pending outcome of coaching agreement;
ST-47-02/14	Donald Robertson as Assistant Varsity Football Coach, for a 16-week season, salary is pending outcome of coaching agreement;
ST-48-02/14	Matthew Claar as Assistant Varsity Football Coach, for a 16-week season, salary is pending outcome of coaching agreement;
ST-49-02/14	Michael Harrison as Head Junior High Football Coach, for a 16-week season, salary is pending outcome of coaching agreement;
ST-50-02/14	Arthur McClucas as Assistant Junior High Football Coach, for a 16-week season, salary is pending outcome of coaching agreement.
	Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Wilson. The motion carried.
ST-51-03/14	Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to post and/or advertise for Assistant Varsity Football Coaches (2). Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Wilson. The motion carried.
ST-52-02/14	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve Stephanie Edsall as a Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach for the 2013-2014 season. The motion passed unanimously by a roll vote.

Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve ST-53-02/14, ST-54-02/14, and ST-55-02/14.

ST-53-02/14 Approve one student and the Band Director attendance at Region Band Festival in State College on March 12-15, 2014. Cost: Student Registration: $75.00. Student Transportation: $20.00. Band Director Lodging: $230.00. Meals: $80.00. Band Director Transportation: $85.00. Substitute for two days: $160.00. Total Cost: $650.00. (Paid by District)

ST-54-02/14 Approve three/four Art students' participation in window painting at the Cambria County Library in Johnstown on April 10, 2014. Cost: Substitute: $80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-55-02/14 Approve the French students (Classes 1-4) field trip to Pittsburgh - Gateway Clipper on May 7, 2014. Cost: $70.00 per student. (The cost of the trip will be paid by each individual student, using fund raising monies and/or personal funds.)

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

7. Personnel

P-44-02/14 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve the retirement resignation of Sally Allison, Special Education Secretary, effective June 30, 2014. The motion passed unaniomously by a roll call vote.

P-45-02/14 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve Joshua Johnson as a long-term substitute Special Education/English Teacher, beginning approximately February 14, 2014 through the end of the 2013-2014 school year, at a rate of $100.00 per day worked. Mr. Johnson will transition with Mrs. Haire on February 12, 13, 2014 at a rate of $80.00 per day. (Christa Haire - leave of absence). Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Wilson. The motion carried.

P-46-02/14 Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Boyle, to approve a leave of absence for Nicole Babik, Health & Physical Education Teacher, from approximately March 28, 2014 through June 2, 2014. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-47-02/14 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to approve Whitney Warmus as a long-term substitute Health & Physical Education Teacher, beginning approximately March 28, 2014 through June 2, 2014, at a rate of $100.00 per day worked. Miss Warmas will transition with Mrs. Babik on March 27, 28, 2014 at a rate of $80.00 per day. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Wilson. The motion carried.

8. Workshops/Conferences

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

W-13-02/14 Carole Kakabar, *2014 Education Congress* on March 6, 2014 in Harrisburg. Cost: Registration: $229.00. (Title II)

W-14-02/14 William Brotz, *45th Annual PAFPC Conference* at Seven Springs, April 27-30, 2014. Cost: Registration: $360.00. Total Cost: $360.00. (Paid by Title II)

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

The March Board Meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m. All were in favor.