FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
September 17, 2014

I.	The September 17, 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 Mrs. Chobany at 6:04 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: Sandra Chobany, Dale Harrison, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson, and Patricia Wilson. Absent: Wayne Meekins, Susan Boyle, Melissa Garman and Jason Moschgat. Wayne Meekins - late.
	Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, John Kowal; Matthew Thomas, William Brotz, Administrators; Attorney David Novak, Solicitor; Rachelle Hrabosky, Susan Layton, Stephanie Mino, Arthur McClucas, Judith Virgin, Teachers; Justin Pavic, Student; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.
IV.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association
IBD-03-09/14	Student Board Representatives for the 2014-2015 school year: Devon Valinsky, Grade 12. A Grade 11 student will be appointed for the October 15, 2014 Board Meeting.
1.	Board
IE-07-09/14	Educational Spotlight - New Archery Curriculum for Grade 8 Physical Education - Arthur McClucas, Jr-Sr High School Health & Physical Education Teacher.
	Mr. Meekins and Mrs. Kakabar arrived at 6:09 p.m.
BD-06-09/14	Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the September 17, 2014 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-07-09/14 through ST-13-09/14).
BD-07-09/14	Approve the Minutes of the August 20, 2014 Board Meeting, as presented.

E-06-09/14	Approve an agreement between Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Early Intervention Program and Ferndale Area School District and a Business Associate Agreement between Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 and Ferndale Area School District.
IE-08-09/14	High School Open House was held on September 10, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
IE-09-09/14	Elementary Open House will be held on September 24, (Grade K4-3); September 25, 2014 (Grades 4 - 6) from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
F-06-09/14	Approve the August Treasurer's Report, as presented.
F-07-09/14	Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.
IF-03-09/14	A real estate assessment appeals were held as follows:
	Commercial Appeal - Garden Terrace LLC Monday, September 8, 2014 9:30 a.m.
	Residential Appeal - Charlotte Lieb Monday, September 8, 2014 1:10 p.m.
	Commercial Appeal - Penn Machine Company Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:05 a. m.
	Industrial Appeals (2) - Penn Machine Company Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:05 a. m.
	Residential Appeal - Penn Machine Company Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:05 a. m.
	Commercial Appeal - Tevin Sitton Tuesday, September 30, 2014 3:00 p.m.
	Commercial Appeal - S & S Realty Group Tuesday, October 7, 2014 9:40 a.m.
IF-04-09/14	Receipts and disbursements.
P-11-09/14	Grant tenure to Crystal Burkhart, Mathematics; Jessica Cunningham, Grade 6; Latrace Dixon, Special Education; Christian Giannone, School Psychologist. They have completed three years of satisfactory service, the Induction Program, and have earned the status of permanent employment within the Ferndale Area School District, on a regular basis.

P-12-09/14	Approve Heather Bark, Kaylin Hofecker, Stephanie Popp, William McMahon, Thomas Mowry, Kerri Moyer, Joseph Schenk III to the substitute teachers list.
P-13-09/13	Approve Elizabeth Petruska to the substitute support staff list.
IP-02-09/14	The following were appointed as Elementary AmeriCorps workers beginning August 20, 2014 through June 19, 2015: Heather Bark Kaylin Hofecker
IP-03-09/14	The following was appointed as a Secondary AmeriCorps worker beginning August 26, 2014 through June 19, 2015: Katelyn Fris
ST-13-09/14	Approve approximately 40 students' attendance at the Cambria County College Fair on September 16, 2014 at the Frank Pasquerilla Conference Center in Johnstown. Cost: Transportation: $93.40. (Paid by District) Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.
IBD-04-09/14	Voting of PSBA candidates for the Offices of President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, At-Large Representative for Region 5. (Melissa Garman and Patti Craig)
IBD-05-09/14	Review a panel discussion on Communication with the Board at the PASA New Superintendent Academy Training in Harrisburg on September 17, 2014. Wayne Meekins and Carole Kakabar participated on the panel.
IBD-06-09/14	A Special Education State Audit is scheduled for November 3, 4, 2014. The policies listed below are required to be updated before October 3, 2014.
IBD-07-09/14	Review proposed updates - (Carole Kakabar): -- Policy No. 113.2 Behavior Support *(replaces Policy 216.2 Behavior Support Policy for Special Education)* -- Policy No. 113.4 Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information *(replaces Policy 216.1 Special Education Student Records*) -- Policy No. 200 Enrollment of Students -- Policy No. 218 Student Discipline -- Policy No. 251 Homeless Students -- Policy No. 907 School Visitors

BD-08-09/14 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to waive, as read, the First Reading of the following policies:

-- Revised Policy No. 113.2 Behavior Support *(replaces Policy 216.2 Behavior Support Policy for Special Education)*
-- Policy No. 113.4 Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information *(replaces Policy 216.1 Special Education Student Records*)
-- Revised Policy No. 200 Enrollment of Students
-- Revised Policy No. 218 Student Discipline
-- Revised Policy No. 251 Homeless Students
-- Revised Policy No. 907 School Visitors

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

BD-09-09/14 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve, as read, the Second Reading of the following policies, and adopt said policies:

-- Revised Policy No. 113.2 Behavior Support *(replaces Policy 216.2 Behavior Support Policy for Special Education)*
-- Policy No. 113.4 Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information *(replaces Policy 216.1 Special Education Student Records*)
-- Revised Policy No. 200 Enrollment of Students
-- Revised Policy No. 218 Student Discipline
-- Revised Policy No. 251 Homeless Students
-- Revised Policy No. 907 School Volunteers

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

2. Education

E-07-09/14 Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve the Ferndale Area School District Physical Education Curriculum (Grades K-12) - Carole Kakabar. Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.

IE-10-09/14 Project 17/20, MCL, District Updates - Carole Kakabar

IE-11-09/14 Highlights
-- Elementary - William Brotz
-- High School - Matthew Thomas/Robert Boyle
-- GJCTC - Carole Kakabar

IE-12-09/14 Student Board Representatives Report.

3.	Finance
IF-05-09/14	PA Basic Education Funding Campaign (John Kowal and Carole Kakabar)
4.	Personnel
P-14-09/14	Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve Stephanie Popp as a long-term substitute Elementary Guidance Counselor, beginning September 18, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014, at a rate of $100.00 per day worked. (Eileen Zankey leave of absence) Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.
P-15-09/14	Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve a leave of absence for Crystal Burkhart, Mathematics, beginning approximately October 16, 2014 and ending approximately January 26, 2015. Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.
P-16-09/14	Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve Nicole Babik as the Elementary Bullying Coordinator. (Position vacated by Eileen Zankey) Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.
5.	Student Activities
ST-14-09/14	Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the Ferndale Area Junior/Senior High School Student Activities and Athletics General Ledger Report. (Matthew Thomas) Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.
ST-15-09/14	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve Lonnie Bush as the Assistant Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2014-2015 season, at a salary of $2,532.75, for an 11-week season. Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.

ST-16-09/14	Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve the following volunteers for the 2014-2015 season: -- Kaitlyn McMullen as a Volunteer Varsity Volleyball Coach -- Shawn Furfari as a Volunteer Junior High Football Coach. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve ST-17-09/14 through ST-21-09/14.
ST-17-09/14	Approve the Spanish students field trip to Spain, June 16, 2015 through June 25, 2015, at an approximate cost of $3,405 per student, (Gwen Gaviola, Spanish Teacher). Expenses paid through fundraisers and individual students. No cost to District.
ST-18-09/13	Approve approximately 12 students' attendance at the Youth Professional Development Conference on October 22, 2014 at the Frank Pasquerilla Conference Center in Johnstown. Cost: Transportation: $93.40. Substitute: $80.00. (Paid by District)
ST-19-09/14	Approve 5 students attendance at the PMEA District 6 Chorus Pre-Auditions at Conemaugh Township High School on October 19, 2014. Cost: Registration: $5.00 per student. (Paid by Student). Transportation: $80.00. (Paid by District)
ST-20-09/14	Approve 20 students attendance at the County Band Auditions at Central Cambria High School on October 22, 2014. Registration: $5.00 per student. (Paid by Student). Shared Transportation: $80.00. (Paid by District)
ST-21-09/14	Approve 5 students attendance at the PMEA District Band Pre-Auditions at Northern Cambria High School on November 16, 2014. Registration: $5.00 per student. (Paid by Student). Shared Transportation: $80.00. (Paid by District) Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.

6.	Cafeteria
	None.
7.	Buildings and Grounds
BG-04-09/14	Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the following bus driver for Mlaker Transportation, Inc. for the 2014-15 school year: -- Ray Forgas The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
IBG-01-09/14	A telephone automated attendant system will be activated at the Administrative Office, Elementary Office, and Junior-Senior High School Office - Carole Kakabar, John Kowal.
8.	Workshops/Conferences
	Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve the following workshops/conferences:
W-03-09/14	Lynn Bennett, Speech; Christa Haire, Michelle Koposko, Janine McClelland, Irene Olson, Special Education Teachers; *Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Refresher Training*, September 17, 2014 in Richland. Registration for each $16.00. Shared Travel: $15.00. Substitute for three: $240.00. Total Cost: $335.00. (Access)
W-04-09/14	Latrace Dixon, Lesley Miller, Kimberly Oakley, Susan Varga, Special Education Teachers; *Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Refresher Training*, October 22, 2014 in Richland. Registration for each $16.00. Shared Travel: $15.00. Substitute for three: $240.00. Total Cost: $319.00. (Access)
W-05-09/14	Gwen Gaviola, *Education First Training Tour*, October 9 - 13, 2014 in Paris, France. (Paid by Educational Tours) Substitute for two days: $160.00. (District)
W-06-09/14	Christian Giannone, *Association of School Psychologists of Pennsylvania* on October 22, 2014 in State College. Cost: Registration: $195.00. Travel: $66.00. Total Cost: $261.00. (Access)

W-07-09/14	Robert Boyle, *Breaking Bad Communications Habits* on November 20, 2014 in Altoona. Cost: Registration: $199.00. Meals: $30.00. Travel: $56.00. Total Cost: $285.00. (District)
W-08-09/14	Matthew Thomas, *PASCD Evaluation Conference* on November 22, 23, 24, 25, 2014 and January 14, 2015 in Hershey. Cost: Registration: $669.00. Lodging: $465.00. Travel: $163.52. Total Cost: $1,297.52. (Title IIA)
	Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Harrison, Meekins, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle, Garman, and Moschgat. The motion carried.
	The October Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center.
	5:00 - 5:45 p.m. - Presentation/tour by John Augustine, Vocational Director 5:45 - 6:25 p.m. - Dinner in the GJCTC Dining Room prepared by Culinary Arts students 6:30 p.m. - Ferndale Area School District Board Meeting in the GJCTC Board Room
VI.	Adjournment
	Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. All were in favor.