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FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
February 17, 2010

I. The February 17, 2010 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. Banks at 6:07 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.

III. Roll Call: Present: Ridley Banks, Greg Blue, Sandra Chobany, Gary Eisenhuth, James Ford, Edward Jones, Wayne Meekins, Barbara Penna, and Stephen Thompson. Absent: None.

Student Board Representatives: Hannah Genovese and Ashley Smith.

Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, John Kowal, Jennifer Reiter, Scott Shirley, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Robert Boyle, Susan Layton, Stephanie Mino, Amy Schmidt, Teachers; Judith Virgin, School Nurse; Anthony Penna, Jr., Athletic Director; Kayla Reese, Student; Dean Bailey, Jody Berg, Daniel Daley, Shawn Furfari, Erin Gray, Barry Himes, Lori Himes, Jody Lovejoy, Tim Lovejoy, Chris Kasisky, Gary Kinsey, Kim Kinsey, Cindy McCombie, Tonia Mitchell, Kim Pavic, Rick Pavic, Eileen Thomas; Carol Zelenski, John Zelenski, Parents; Bliss Canby, Kayla Christmann, Nicole Houser, Student Teachers; Anthony Penna, Sr.; Sally Allison, Recording Secretary.

IV. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

IBD-32-02/10 Craig Mlaker discussed Dale Borough Construction causing student transportation problems.

IBD-33-02/10 Lori Himes addressed the Board regarding restoring pride in the community.

IBD-34-02/10 Student Board Representatives Report.

V. Committees Agenda

1. Personnel

P-46-02/10 Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve the resignation of Anthony Penna, Jr. as Safe Schools Coordinator, Athletic Director and Head Varsity Football Coach, effective February 19, 2010. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: Penna. Absent: None. The motion carried.

The Board went into an Executive Session at 7:17 pm. for personnel. The Executive Session ended at 8:05 p.m.

ST-59-02/02 Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve the resignation of Michael P. McMonagle as Assistant Varsity Football Coach and Weight Room Supervisor, effective February 3, 2010. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

ST-60-02/02 Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eisenhuth, to suspend the rules to allow the addition of additional items to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mr. Ford made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eisenhuth, to approve ST-61-02/02 and ST-62-02/02.

ST-61-02/02 Approve the termination of Mark Masorjak as an Assistant Varsity Football Coach and Weight Room Supervisor, effective February 3, 2010. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

ST-62-02/02 Appoint Anthony Penna, Sr. as Interim Athletic Director, effective February 18, 2010, at an annual salary of $9,000, to be prorated; and appoint Anthony Penna, Sr. and Shawn Furfari as Weight Room Supervisor at a rate of $7.25 per hour, effective February 18, 2010.

Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: Penna - ST-62-02/02 only. Absent: None. The motion carried.

ST-63-02/02 Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to suspend the rules to allow the addition of additional items to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

ST-64-02/02 Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, to post and advertise for an Athletic Director and Head Varsity Football Coach. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

2. Board

BD-46-02/10 Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blue, to approve the February 17, 2010 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items. (BD-47-02/02 through W-23-02/02)

BD-47-02/10 Approve the Minutes of the January 20, 2010 Board Meeting, as presented.

BG-12-02/10 Approve the request of the Cambria County Board of Elections Office to use the Ferndale Area Junior-Senior High School as a polling location for Ferndale Borough No. 2 Municipal Primary Election on May 18, 2010 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

IE-15-02/10 Revised K4 and K-12 2009-2010 School Calendars:

Cancellations (Snow Days)	Make-Up Days
Monday, January 4, 2010	Monday, February 15, 2010
Friday, January 22, 2010	Friday, May 28, 2010
Tuesday, February 10, 2010	Thursday, April 1, 2010
Wednesday, February 11, 2010	Monday, April 5, 2010

F-23-02/10 Approve the January Treasurer's Report, as presented.

F-24-02/10 Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.

IF-17-02/10 Review of receipts and disbursements.

P-47-02/10 Approve Scott Barkhimer, Kristi Berkebile, Jason Kofmehl, Ryan Krull, Krystle Neal, and Jennifer Tunnecliffe to the substitute teachers list.

P-48-02/10 Approve Carol Malek to the substitute support staff list.

ST-65-02/10	Grade 9 students field trip to Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center on February 16, 2010. Cost: Transportation: $170.00.
W-22-02/10	Karen Soohy, Classroom for the Future Coach; *21st Century Teaching and Learning Collaboration, Math and Science Workshop* in Altoona on February 1, 2010. Cost: Registration: $50.00. Travel: $25.00. Total Cost: $75.00. (Classroom for the Future)
W-23-02/10	Daniel Endler (1), Ronald Jones (1), Social Studies Teachers; Karen Soohy, Classroom for the Future Coach; *21st Century Teaching & Learning Collaboration, Social Studies and Language Arts Workshop* in Altoona on February 2, 2010. Cost: Registration for each: $50.00. Travel: $89.00. Substitutes for two: $160.00. Total Cost: $399.00. (CFF, Title IIA & District)
	Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.
BD-48-02/10	Mr. Meekins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to adopt the corrective action plan and response to the performance audit report by the PA Auditor General relative to compliance with applicable state laws, regulations, contracts, grant requirements, and administrative procedures, covering the period from February 3, 2006 thru May 20, 2009. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
IBD-35-02/10	Review of Policy No. 237 Electronic Devices.
IBD-36-02/10	The Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center Joint Board Convention was scheduled for March 11, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the GJCTC cafeteria. (All 63 school board members from the 7 sending schools are invited to dinner and a state-of-the-consortium address.) RSVP to Carole Kakabar by February 26, 2010.
IBD-37-02/10	Ferndale Area School District held a meeting of the Steering Committee for the District Strategic Plan on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Library. Invitations will be mailed to Steering Committee Members.

IBD-38-02/10	Board of Directors goals for the 2009-2010 school year:
	-- Address the aging physical plant of the Ferndale Area Junior/Senior High School
	-- Make fiscally sound decisions
	-- Promote a positive educational climate for teaching and learning
IBD-39-02/10	Highlights of the Joint Operating Committee - Barbara Penna
IBD-40-02/10	High School Highlights - Scott Shirley Elementary Highlights - Justin Zahorchak District Highlights - Carole Kakabar
IBD-41-02/10	Distribution of Statement of Financial Interest Forms.
3.	Buildings & Grounds
	None.
4.	Cafeteria
	None.
5.	Education
	None.
	Mr. Eisenhuth left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

6. Finance

F-25-02/10 Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the tentatively adopted 2010-2011 Greater Johnstown Area Career and Technology Center/AVTS Joint Operating Committee General Fund Secondary Budget, as follows.

General Fund Secondary Budget: $3,794,076

Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Chobany, Ford, Jones, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Eisenhuth. The motion carried.

IF-18-02/10 Update of District Budget Process for 2010-2011 - Carole Kakabar.

7. Student Activities

ST-66-02/10 Mr. Blue made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve James Rubal as an Assistant Junior Varsity Baseball Coach for the 2009-10 season, at a salary of $500 for a six- week season. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Chobany, Ford, Jones, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Eisenhuth. The motion carried.

8. Workshops/Conferences

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve the following workshops/conferences:

W-24-02/10 Michelle Koposko (2), Autistic Support; *Childhood Neurology* in Altoona on February 23, 2010. Cost: Registration: $174.00. Meals: $10.00. Total Cost: $184.00. (ACCESS)

W-25-02/10 Rhonda Augustine (1), Reading Specialist; Rachelle Hrabosky (3), Grade 4 Teacher; Stephanie Mino (1), Grade 5 Teacher; Robert Boyle (2), Mathematics Teacher; Jessica Szymusiak (1), English Teacher; *Standards Aligned System Training* in Altoona on March 1, 2010. Cost: Registration for each: $50.00. Shared Travel: $65.00. Substitutes: $400.00. Total Cost: $715.00. (Title IIA & District)

W-26-02/10 Amy Wagner (1), Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher; *PAFSC Annual State Conference* in Pittsburgh on April 8, 9, 2010. Cost: Registration: $285.00. Travel: $90.00. Substitute: $180.00. Total Cost: $555.00.

W-27-02/10 Jennifer Reiter; Karen Soohy; Daniel Burket (2), Librarian; Michelle Sendek (1), Art Teacher; Jenna Ricci (3), Biology/Environmental Science; *Introduction to Video Conference Integration Workshop* in Altoona at a date to be announced. Cost: Registration for each: $50.00. Shared Travel: $60.00. Substitutes: $240.00. Total Cost: $550.00. (Classroom for the Future & District)

Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Chobany, Ford, Jones, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Eisenhuth. The motion carried.

The Board went into an Executive Session at 8:53 p.m for personnel. The Executive Session ended at 9:21 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

Mr. Blue made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m. All were in favor.