FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
July 28, 2010

I. A Special Board Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board was held on July 28, 2010 in the Board Room of the Elementary School, 100 Dartmouth Avenue, Johnstown, Pennsylvania for the Specific Purpose of General Business. The Meeting was called to order by Mr. Banks at 6:03 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, Melissa Garman, James Ford, Wayne Meekins, Barbara Penna, and Stephen Thompson. Absent: Sandra Chobany and Edward Jones.

Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, John Kowal, Scott Shirley, Justin Zahorchak, Administrators; Attorney David Novak, Solicitor; Lori Byer, Susan Layton, Stephanie Mino, Teachers; Judith Virgin, School Nurse; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.

IV. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

V. Committees Agenda

1. Board

BD-01-07/10 Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blue, to approve the Minutes of the June 16, 2010 Board Meeting, as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

BD-02-07/10 Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve Ridley Banks as the PSBA Voting Delegate. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

IBD-01-07/10	Revised Board Meeting Dates: -- August 18, 2010 Board Meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. -- October 20, 2010 Board Meeting will be held at GJCTC at 7:00 p.m. -- December 8, 2010 Board Meeting is changed to December 15, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.
IBD-02-07/10	At the regular monthly Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Board Meeting held June 24, 2010, Chris Cronrath was elected to serve on the IU8 Board with the term beginning July 1, 2010 through 2013.
IBD-03-07/10	Greater Johnstown Career & Technology Center Joint Operating Committee Highlights - Barbara Penna
IBD-04-07/10	Received a bereavement thank you from the family of Eleanor Ribarich (Judy Hornick's mother)
2.	Buildings and Grounds
IBG-01-07/10	Summer maintenance update - Scott Shirley and Justin Zahorchak
BG-01-07/10	Mr. Ford made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve the request of Ferndale Borough Council, Responsible Officer Mark Wissinger, to use the Ferndale Area Senior High Auditorium, restrooms, microphone, and PA System on Monday, August 16, 2010 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a public meeting to update citizens on the upcoming sewer project. Use of facilities is pending receipt of insurance, receipt of completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements, providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
3.	Cafeteria
	None.

4.	Education
E-01-07/10	Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve the Special Education Report for the Mid-Point Review of the Strategic Plan. (PDE approved June 30, 2010) The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
IE-01-07/10	Update on Safe Schools Planning - Carole Kakabar
IE-02-07/10	Update on Jacket Pride Initiative - Carole Kakabar
IE-03-07/10	Update on PSSA results - Carole Kakabar
5.	Finance
	Mr. Blue made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, to approve F-01-07/10 and F-02-07/10.
F-01-07/10	Approve the June Treasurer's Report, as presented.
F-02-07/10	Approve the General Fund Bills, as presented.
	Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Ford, Garman, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Jones. The motion carried.
IF-01-07/10	Update on the State Education Budget.
6.	Student Activities
ST-01-07/10	Mr. Meekins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, to approve Michelle Sendek as the Assistant Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach, at a salary of $1,168.75, based on an 11-week season. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Ford, Garman, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Jones. The motion carried.

IST-01-07/10	Update on the following coaches: -- Anthony Penna, Sr., Head Varsity Football Coach, pending receipt of CPR/AED certificate (due by August 15, 2010) -- Tim Harrigan, an Assistant Varsity Football Coach, pending receipt of Act 34, Act 151, and FBI clearances and CPR/AED certificate (due by August 15, 2010) -- Michael Urban, Johnstown, Head Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach, pending receipt of Act 151, FBI Clearance, and CPR/AED certificate (due by July 1, 2010) -- Christine Stiffler, Head Junior High Cheerleading Advisor, pending receipt of CPR/AED certificate (due by August 15, 2010) -- David Schleich, Assistant Varsity Football Coach, pending receipt of FBI clearance, and CPR/AED certificate (due by June 21, 2010)
ST-02-07/10	Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve Gary Kinsey as a Volunteer Football Coach for the 2010-11 school year. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
7.	Workshops/Conferences
	None.
	The Board took a short recess at 7:26 p.m.
	The Board went into an Executive Session for personnel at 7:30 p.m. The Executive Session ended at 7:50 p.m.
8.	Personnel
	Mr. Meekins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to approve P-01-07/10 and P-02-07/10.
P-01-07/10	Approve Rhonda Rose as a substitute school nurse.
P-02-07/10	Approve Tammy Gaunt, Kerry Jones, Sandy Ream, Deborah Ward to the substitute support staff list.
	Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Ford, Garman, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Jones. The motion carried.

P-03-07/10

Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blue, to employ Dorothy M. Beres as a part-time Registered Nurse for four hours per student day, at a stipend of $19.00 per hour, with no benefits, effective with the 2010-2011 school year. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Ford, Garman, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Jones. The motion carried.

P-04-07/10

Mr. Meekins made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Penna, to approve the following support staff hourly salary adjustments for the 2010-11 fiscal year:

1. Custodial

Kenneth Williams	.70 per hour
Dennis Willnecker	.70 per hour

2. Secretarial

Patricia Craig	.36 per hour
Debra Holbay	.25 per hour
Judith Poder	1.00 per hour

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

P-05-07/10

Mr. Ford made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve the following job descriptions:

-- Coordinator of Special Education

-- School Psychologist

-- Personal Academic, Behavioral, Care Assistant

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-06-07/10

Mr. Ford made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to employ Renee Dryer as a long-term Elementary substitute (45 days) for Christine Eash, effective August 23, 2010. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Blue, Ford, Garman, Meekins, Penna, and Thompson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Chobany and Jones. The motion carried.

VI. Adjournment

Mr. Ford made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blue, to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. All were in favor.