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FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
August 19, 2009

I.	The August 19, 2009 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 6:05 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.
III.	Roll Call: Present: Ridley Banks, Sandra Chobany, James Ford, Edward Jones, Wayne Meekins, and Barbara Penna. Absent: Greg Blue, and Richard Lucas. Gary Eisenhuth - late.
	Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, Scott Shirley, Justin Zahorchak, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Lori Byer, Susan Layton, Stephanie Mino, Debra Utz, Teachers; Belinda Penrod, Aide; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.
IV.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association
1.	Board
	The Board went into an Executive Session at 6:06 p.m. for personnel reasons.
	Mr. Eisenhuth arrived at 6:18 p.m.
	The Executive Session ended at 7:27 p.m.
BD-05-08/09	Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the resignation of Richard Lucas as a Board Member, Region 1, Ferndale Borough, effective August 19, 2009. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
BD-06-08/09	Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Penna, to post and advertise for a Board Member, Region 1, Ferndale Borough (Term from September 16, 2009 through December 2, 2009). Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Lucas. The motion carried.

BD-07-08/09	Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve the August 19, 2009 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-08-08/09 through P-17-08/09).
BD-08-08/09	Approve the Minutes of the June 17, 2009, July 1, 2009, July 13, 2009, and July 29, 2009 Board Meetings, as presented.
IBD-03-08/09	Received a thank you from Patricia Balagusz and Janet Horvath thanking the Administration and School Board for the engraved bells.
IBD-04-08/09	Received a thank you from Michelle Furfari and Tiffany Guy, Pee Wee Cheerleading Program.
BG-01-08/09	Approve the request of Brandon Moyer and Ryan Gaunt (Senior Project), (Responsible Officer Michelle Deffenbaugh, Ferndale Area Football Boosters), to use the Football Stadium on Saturday, September 26, 2009 from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m., to hold a football camp for children, Grade 3 through Grade 6. 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.
BG-02-08/09	Approve the request of Ferndale Junior Jackets Football, (Responsible Officer Kevin Priest), to use the Football Stadium and scoreboard/ clock for football practice from August 20, 2009 through October 31, 2009 on Mondays through Fridays evenings after Varsity practice and on Sundays 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for games. 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.
IC-01-08/09	The MMS Cafeteria Module will be installed and incorporated for the 2009-2010 school year.
E-03-08/09	Approve the revised 2009-2010 K4 Calendar.
IE-02-08/09	K4 orientation was held on Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.
IE-03-08/09	Kindergarten orientation was held on Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.
IE-04-08/09	An orientation for new students entering the Elementary School was held on Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 12:30 noon.

IE-05-08/09	An orientation for new students entering the High School was held at the Ferndale Area High School Auditorium on Tuesday, August 25, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
F-03-08/09	Approve the June and July Treasurer's Reports, as presented.
F-04-08/09	Approve the General Fund and Hot Lunch Bills, as presented.
F-05-08/09	Appoint Allison Stancombe as Ferndale Area School District Tax Collector for Middle Taylor Township.
IF-01-08/09	Received Audit Reports from Ed Cernic, Jr., Cambria County Controller for the following Tax Collectors: Sandra Natta — Middle Taylor Township Anita Smith — Ferndale Borough All audits concluded that the controlling processes within the Tax Collector's Office are adequately designed and operating effectively.
IF-02-08/09	Receipts and disbursements.
P-15-08/09	Approve the following names to the substitute teachers list: Laura Cochrane, Leslie Howarth, Amanda Englehart-Miller, Eileen Parker, Joshua Spaid, Craig Montag, Angela Scipioni, James Allison, Dennis Altimore, Christopher Barkley, Robert Barrett, Thomas Byrne, Darcie Clark, Patricia Dinsmore, Patricia Dolence, Melissa Ferg, Tamera Fernando, David Finney, Ryan George, Anna Gibbs, Marie Goff, Michele Haschak, Deborah Kesslak, Deborah Kiehart, Sharon Kieta, Brad King, Amanda Lindberg, Lynn Mandel, Kimberly Marley, Heather Marone, Charles McIlhenny, Michael Meketa, Thomas Menna, Marilyn Miller, Leroy Moran, Nancy Moses, John Nibert, Linda Olenik, Geraldine Patterson, Damon Pulgino, April Renzi, Barbara Rosenberg, Peter Rossi, Diana Schad, Vicki Shaw, Ray Sheets, Jacob St. Clair, Matthew Szymusiak, Alicia Wian-Schweiter, Donald Wozniak, and Dennis Zahurak
P-16-08/09	Approve Kathryn Petrosky to the substitute support staff list.

P-17-08/09	Approve the retirement resignation of Kathleen Popchak, Food Service Director, effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.
BD-08-08/09	Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve Ridley Banks as the PSBA Voting Delegate. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
IBD-05-08/09	James Ford, Board Member, discussed the possibility of a van to haul equipment for away games.
IBD-06-08/09	Discussed the 2009-2010 Administrative Goals. -- Curriculum analysis and alignment with instruction assessment -- Promote school wellness, safety, and character building -- Elementary: Title I audit services Junior/Senior High School: Post-graduate career and education readiness
IBD-07-08/09	Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Joint Operating Committee Highlights - Barbara Penna.
IBD-08-08/09	A welcome back breakfast was held on Monday, August 24, 2009 at 7:30 a.m. in the High School Cafeteria. All Board Members are invited to attend.
2.	Buildings and Grounds None.
3.	Cafeteria None.
4.	Personnel
IP-02-08/09	Transferred Rhonda Augustine from Grade 2 Teacher to Elementary Reading Specialist. (New position - Paid by Title I)

P-18-08/09

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to employ Michael Harrison as an Elementary Teacher, assigned to Grade 2, at an annual salary of $27,500, with full benefits, effective with the 2009-2010 school year, pending FBI Clearance. (Position vacated by the transfer of Rhonda Augustine.) Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.

P-19-08/09

Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Penna, to approve the following mentors for the 2009-2010 school year, at a stipend of $687:

Junior/Senior High School

-- Frank McCleester for Joshua Mottillo, Business, Computer & Information Technology

-- Robert Boyle for Jeffrey Detwiler, Business, Computer & Information Technology

-- Kathleen Wojnarowski for Kathleen Kirwan, Special Education/ Emotional Support

-- Janice Antal for Jenna Ricci, Biology/Environmental Science

Elementary

-- Susan Pudliner for Michael Harrison, Grade 2

-- Rachelle Hrabosky for Sarah Riffle, Grade 4

-- Amy Schmidt for Nola Barton, Elementary Librarian

-- Jill Vuckovich for Nicole Velmar, Health & Physical Education

-- Lori Beck for Rhonda Augustine, Reading Specialist

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

P-20-08/09

Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, to employ Tracy Rigby as a Title I Elementary Instructional Aide, at a salary of $11.02 per hour, effective with the 2009-2010 school year. (Position was vacated by the resignation of Joella Bobak.) Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.

P-21-08/09

Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to employ Elaine Metzler as an Elementary Learning Support Aide, effective with the 2009-2010 school year. Salary as per agreement. (Position was vacated by Sarah Riffle.) Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.

P-22-08/09

Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve the following extra pay for extra duty positions for the 2009-2010 school year:

-- Advisor (Junior Class) - Susan Leftwich

-- Audio/Video Director (Sec) - Daniel Burket

-- Detention, Saturday/3 hrs - Deborah Pearce

-- Kindergarten Orientation - Kathleen Rigby

-- Forensics (Sr Hi) - Kalynn Kerekes

-- Detention, One 3 Hr Session/Wk - Susan Leftwich

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

P-23-08/09

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve Lauren Birch as Secondary Bullying Prevention Coordinator for the 2009-2010, at a stipend of $300. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.

IP-03-08/09

Michael Jimerson and Renee Dryer will participate in the Americorp Program for the 2009-2010 school year at the Elementary School.

IP-04-08/09	Katie Wise will participate in the Americorp Program for the 2009-2010 school year at the High School.
5.	Education
	Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, to approve E-04-08/09 and E-05-08/09.
E-04-08/09	Approve the following Resolution: Freshmen will not attend the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center unless it is determined that this is the most appropriate placement for their education or extenuating circumstances exist.
E-05-08/09	Approve the following Resolution: Sophomores will not enroll in the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center if their academic performance (as measured by Grade 9 academics, Grade 9 4Sight Assessment scores, and other measures) is not at least proficient or C level.
	The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
IE-08-08/09	Start of School Year Initiatives -- District - Carole Kakabar -- High School - Jennifer Reiter/Scott Shirley -- Elementary - Justin Zahorchak
6.	Finance
IF-03-08/09	Discussion Act 32 - Earned Income Tax Collection Committee Delegate Volunteer Needed prior to September 15, 2009 for a County Meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cambria County Courthouse. (James Ford)
IF-04-08/09	Update on State Budget and School Finance.

7. Student Activities

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Penna, to approve ST-22-08/09 and ST-23-08/09.

ST-22-08/09 Approve Jeffrey Detwiler as the Assistant Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year, at a salary of $1,275.

ST-23-08/09 Approve Lonnie Bush as the Assistant Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year, at a salary of $2,488.75.

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

ST-24-08/09 Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the following as the Weight Room Supervisor, at a salary of $7.25 per hour for a maximum of 250 hours from August 20, 2009 through June 30, 2010, less time work from July 1, 2009 through August 19, 2009.

- Michael McMonagle, pending receipt of Act 151Clearance, FBI Clearance, and CPR/AED certificate

- Mark Mosorjak, pending receipt of FBI Clearance and CPR/AED certificate

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

ST-25-08/09 Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meekins, to approve Michael Harrison, Windber, as a Volunteer Junior High Football Coach, pending clearances and receipt of completed volunteer form. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eisenhuth, to approve ST-26-08/09, ST-27-27-08/09, and ST-28-08/09.

ST-26-08/09 Approve James Ford, as a Volunteer Cheerleading Advisor, for the 2009-2010 school year.

ST-27-08/09 Approve the resignation of Ronald Wilson as the Head Varsity Golf Coach, effective August 19, 2009.

ST-28-08/09	Approve Jesse Rager as the Head Varsity Golf Coach, for the 2009-2010 school year, at a salary consistent with the Coaches Contract, pending receipt of CPR/AED certification. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: Ford - ST-26-08/09 only. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.
8.	Workshops/Conferences Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eisenhuth, to approve the following workshops/conferences:
W-01-08/09	Ridley Banks; *PSBA School Leadership Conference* on October 13-16, 2008 in Hershey. Registration: $329.00. (District) Record vote for the motion: Chobany, Eisenhuth, Ford, Jones, Meekins, and Penna. Against the motion: None. Abstained: Banks. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.
VI.	Adjournment Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. All were in favor.