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Ferndale Area School District

FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
January 17, 2007

I.	The January 17, 2007 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 6:08 p.m.
II.	Pledge of Allegiance
	Notice was given that the Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board conducted in the Board Room is tape recorded and entry constitutes consent to the taping of any individual who comments.
III.	Roll Call: Present: Ridley Banks, Sandra Chobany, Gary Eisenhuth, Edward Jones, Richard Lucas, Barbara Penna, and Robert Vamos. Absent: Greg Blue. Jeffrey Stewart arrived late.
	Student Board Representatives Present: Richard Henry and Kristina Strosico. Absent: Alyse Callihan.
	Others in attendance were Dr. Christine Oldham, Steven Brown, Jennifer Gamble, John Kowal, Edward Moran, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Susan Layton, Teacher; Michelle Hershberger, Recording Secretary.
IV.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association
	January was School Director Recognition Month.
1.	Board
IBD-34-01/07	Student Board Representatives' Report.
IBD-35-01/07	Technology Highlights - Michael Stohon.
IBD-36-01/07	Distribute Statement of Financial Interest forms to Board Members and Administrators.
BD-30-01/07	Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the Minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of December 6, 2006, and January 10, 2007 Special Board Meeting, as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lucas, to approve BD-31-01/07 and BD-32-01/07. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

BD-31-01/07 Approve, as read, the Second Reading and adopt said policies:

000 LOCAL BOARD PROCEDURES

000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations
005 Organization

700 PROPERTY

702 Gifts, Grants, Donations
703 Sanitary Management
704 Maintenance
708 Lending of Equipment and Books
709 Building Security
710 Use of Facilities By Staff
715 Use of Fax Machines
716 Integrated Pest Management

BD-32-01/07 Approve, as read, Second Reading of the revised policies, and adopt said policies:

000 LOCAL BOARD PROCEDURES

001 Name and Classification
002 Authority and Powers
003 Functions
004 Membership
004.1 Student Representatives to the School Board
006 Meetings
007 Distribution
008 Organization Chart
010 Ethics Law Requirements
011 Board Governance Standards/Code of Conduct

700 PROPERTY

705 Safety
707 Use of School Facilities
710.1 Use of School District Vehicle

IBD-37-01/07 The following policies were distributed:

300 Administrative Employees
500 Support Personnel

BD-35-01/07 Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Vamos, to award a High School Diploma to John Abraham Dezelon who served in World War II. Mr. Dezelon would have graduated in 1945. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

IBD-38-01/07 Highlights of the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center Joint Operating Committee.

IBD-39-01/07 Elementary Highlights - Edward Moran

High School Highlights - Jennifer Gamble

IBD-40-01/07 Thank you card - Girls' Basketball.

Mr. Stewart arrived at 6:56 p.m.

IBD-41-01/07 2006-07 School Bus Driver Roster - John Kowal.

Gregory Beale	Donald Mack
Michael Bugal	Kristy McCullough
Walter Carney	Matthew Mlaker
Brian Dugan	Craig Mlaker
Donald Eash	Robert Rubal
Thomas Goch	Ellen Schatz
Ervin Hoover	James Schatz
Daniel Horvath	Robert Sigg
Kathy Lantzy	Frederick Tittle
Linda Lear	Raymond Yoder

Mr. Vamos made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve BD-33-01/07 and BD-34-01/07. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

BD-33-01/07

Approve, as modified, the First Reading of the following policies:

800 OPERATIONS

802 School Organization
803 School Calendar
804 School Day
805 Emergency Evacuation of Schools
810 Transportation
810.1 Drug/Alcohol Testing - Covered Drivers
811 Bonding
812 Property Insurances
813 Other Insurance
818 Contracted Services
822 Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

900 COMMUNITY

901 Public Relations Objectives
902 Publications Program
905 Citizen Advisory Committees
907 School Visitors
908 Relations with Parents/Guardians
909 Municipal Government Relations
910 Community Engagement
911 News Media Relations
912 Relations with Educational Institutions
913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals
914 Relations with Intermediate Unit
916 School Volunteers
917 Parental/Family Involvement

BD-34-01/07

Approve, as modified, the First Reading of the following revised policies:

800 OPERATIONS

801 Public Records
806 Child/Student Abuse
807 Opening Exercises/Flag Displays
808 Food Services
808.1 Lunch Accounts
826 Privacy of Health Information (HIPAA)

900 COMMUNITY

903 Public Participation in Board Meetings
904 Public Attendance at School Events
906 Public Complaints
915 Booster Organizations
918 Title I Parent Involvement
919 District/School Report Cards
923 Tobacco Usage

2. Buildings and Grounds

BG-17-01/07

Mr. Vamos made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stewart, to approve the Ferndale Club Hockey Team use of the Senior High School Gym for a dance on February 23, 2007. Use of facilities is pending receipt of insurance, receipt of completed use of facilities form, receipt of clearances, and providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

BG-18-01/07

Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve submission of PlanCon Part J, Project Accounting Based on Final Costs for the Ferndale Area Elementary Building Project, to Pennsylvania Department of Education. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

IBG-06-01/07

High School Boys Locker Room/Gymnasium wall cracks were discussed.

BG-19-01/07	Mr. Vamos made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve a contract with H.F. Lenz Company (dated December 1, 2006) to monitor the High School Boys Locker Room/Gynmasium wall cracks so the District can determine whether or not there is any structural defects that needs to be addressed, at a cost of $3,600. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue. The motion carried.
3.	Cafeteria
	None.
4.	Education
IE-10-01/07	Keystone Presentations.
	The Board took a break at 8:43 p.m.
	Mr. Eisenhuth left the meeting at 8:43 p.m.
	The Board reconvened at 8:51 p.m.
5.	Finance
	Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve F-21-01/07 and F-22-01/07. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.
F-21-01/07	Approve the November and December Treasurer's Reports, as presented.
F-22-01/07	Approve the General Fund and Hot Lunch Bills, as presented.

F-23-01/07 Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Vamos, to approve the tentatively adopted 2007-2008 Joint Operating Committee Greater Johnstown Area Career and Technology Center/AVTS General Fund Budget, as follows. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: Lucas. None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.

General Fund Budget:

Secondary Education Tentatively Adopted Budget	$3,443,630
Workforce Development/Adult Education Budget	$2,600,124
Grants and Projects Budget	$1,258,934
Total General Fund Budget:	$7,302,688

IF-16-01/07 Agreement with Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 for use of IDEIA Section 611 Pass Thru Funds, CFD#84.027.

IF-17-01/07 Act 1 Material (Binder)

IF-18-01/07 Receipts and disbursements were reviewed.

6. Personnel

Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lucas, to approve P-47-01/07, P-48-01/07, P-49-01/07. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-47-01/07 Approve Paulette Henry to the substitute support staff list:

P-48-01/07 Approve Robert Boyle, Amy Sue Eash, Laura Gaunt, Marilyn Lindberg, and Michael Pasierb to the substitute teachers list:

P-49-01/07 Approve the resignation of Amanda Williamson, Math Teacher, effective the start date of her replacement.

P-50-01/07 Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to employ June White as an Elementary Cleaner, at a stipend of $6.25 per hour, with limited benefits, effective January 18, 2007. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.

P-51-01/07	Mr. Vamos made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to employ Caryl Palenik as a High School Cleaner, (pending clearances) at a stipend of $6.25 per hour, with limited benefits, effective January 18, 2007. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.
P-52-01/07	Mrs. Penna made a motion, second by Mr. Lucas, to approve the transfer of Wayne Lohr, Grade 5 Teacher, to the Federal Programs Coordinator position, due to the retirement of Gary Burnheimer, effective with the 2007-08 school year. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.
7.	Student Activities
	Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lucas, to approve ST-24-01/07, ST-25-01/07, ST-26-01/07, ST-27-01/07. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.
ST-24-01/07	Approve the French students field trip to Murrysville to attend an Etienne Concert on April 20, 2007, at a cost of $300.00 for transportation.
ST-25-01/07	Approve the K4 students field trip to the Pittsburgh Zoo on April 27, 2007, at a cost of $1,400.00.
ST-26-01/07	Approve the French students field trip to Pittsburgh, Gateway Clipper, on May 16, 2007, at a cost of $600.00 for transportation.
ST-27-01/07	Approve the Sixth Grade students field trip to Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center on March 15, 2007, at a cost of $320.00 for transportation.
IST-04-01/07	Band trip update.

8. Workshops

Mr. Lucas made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve the following conferences/workshops. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.

W-26-01/07 George Ambroe (1), Arthur McClucas (2); Coaches; *Nike Coach of the Year Clinic* on March 2, 3, 4, 2007. Registration for each: $80.00. Shared Lodging: $152.00. Meals: $180.00. Shared Travel: $52.00. Substitute for two for one day: $160.00. Total: $704.00. (District)

W-27-01/07 Christine Falger (1), Chemistry Teacher; Christine Madison (1), Biology Teacher; *Environment and Ecology Assessment Workshop* on March 9, 2007. Registration for each: $10.00. Travel: $54.00. Substitute for two for one day: $160.00. Total: $234.00. (Project 720)

The Board went into an Executive Session at 9:26 p.m. for personnel. The Executive Session ended 10:06 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Vamos, to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 p.m. All were in favor.