FLEETWOOD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2026 - Tuesday, 7:00 PM

The monthly meeting of the Fleetwood Area Board of School Directors was called to order by President Mr. Valick at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were:

Board Members: Lisa J. Bogacki, Brandi Brown, Adam S. Chernow, Whitney Kopco, John L. Noll Jr., Michael D. Noll, Jason E. Valick, James M. Younker

Absent: Elizabeth Hersh

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by President Mr. Valick

Administrators: Jennifer Bergstresser, Kate Costenbader, Thomas D. DeAngelo, Stephen A. Herman, Brian Hostetler, Michelle D. Jackson, Michael P. Kelly, Carol Knasiak, Natalie E. Lytle, Greg M. Miller, Casey M. Moser, Erin Murphy, Heidi A. Orth, Kerry R. Strickler, Kathryn Wood

Absent: Gwynn E. Bollinger, Matthew Q. Diehl, Nathan Shefter

Solicitor: James Mancuso, Esq. Secretary: Michael D. Noll Recording Secretary: Heidi A. Orth

Visitor Recognition: Retirements and McClure

A motion was made by Mr. Chernow, seconded by Mrs. Brown, to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2026, meeting. — Minutes Approved

Question, Voice Vote - Unanimous, Motion Carried
Absent: Hersh

A motion was made by Mr. Younker, seconded by Mrs. Bogacki, to approve the treasurer's report. — Treasurer's Report

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. J. Noll Jr., seconded by Mrs. Brown, to pay the bills for the month. — Bills Approved

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Chernow, seconded by Mrs. Brown, to approve the curriculum for the following courses that were presented in May: — Instructional Program Curriculum

- Sports Media II
- Sports Media I
- Imagination and Innovation, Grades 2, 3, 4
- Sociology
- Women's Studies

Question, Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Kopco, seconded by Mr. M. Noll, to approve the following personnel actions: Personnel

Assignments

Instructional

- Abigail Schlenker, Andrew Maier Elementary First Grade Teacher, effective 8/18/2026 at Bachelor's, Step 1, pending completion of paperwork
- Andrea Linn, Andrew Maier Elementary/Middle School Art Teacher, effective 8/18/2026 at Bachelor's +24, Step 1, pending completion of paperwork

Support Staff

- Michele Trievel, Middle School Custodian, effective 6/22/2026 at an hourly rate of $17.30, pending completion of paperwork

Co-curricular

- Mark Coassolo, High School Assistant Golf Coach, effective 6/17/2026 at an annual salary of $1,271
- Patricia Herman, Middle School Math Department Chair, effective 7/1/2026 at an annual salary of $2,351.41

Transfers

- Angela Ludwig, High School Special Education Long Term Substitute Teacher to High School Special Education Teacher, effective 8/18/2026 at Bachelor's +24, Step 2
- Allie Fox, Willow Creek Elementary First Grade Teacher to Willow Creek Elementary Kindergarten Teacher, effective 8/18/2026
- Kara Feeney-Mitchell, Willow Creek Elementary Kindergarten Teacher to Willow Creek Elementary First Grade Teacher, effective 8/18/2026
- Rachel Ferrante, Middle School Special Education Long Term Substitute Teacher to Middle School Special Education Teacher, effective 8/18/2026 at Bachelor's +24, Step 2
- Amy Schadler, Andrew Maier Elementary Paraprofessional to Andrew Maier Elementary Registered Behavior Technician, effective 8/20/2026
- Brandi Benner, Willow Creek Elementary Second Grade Teacher to Elementary-wide ESL Specialist/Teacher, effective 8/18/2026

Extended School Year Teachers

- Tara Carino
- Erica Kidd
- Lauren Stahl

Extended School Year Support Staff

- Alexis Adkins
- Emily Miller

Summer Facilities

- Lori Valykeo
- Jala Younker

Retirement

- Denise Long, Middle School Paraprofessional, effective 6/05/2026

Resignations

- Steven Zeller, Middle School Cross Country Coach, effective 5/01/2026
- Melinda Mennig, Middle School Custodian, effective 5/26/2026
- Alexis Wise, High School Counselor, effective 6/12/2026
- Jonathan Heck, High School Class of 2026 Co-Advisor, effective 6/30/2026
- Todd Driesbach, High School Class of 2026 Co-Advisor, effective 6/30/2026
- Sara Sanocki, High School Literary Magazine Co-Advisor, effective 6/30/2026
- Kirby Barnett, High School Literary Magazine Co-Advisor, effective 6/30/2026
- Stephanie Brent, Willow Creek Elementary Custodian, effective 6/22/2026
- Eric Bieber, Willow Creek Elementary Special Education Teacher, effective 6/11/2026

Volunteers
Building
- Luis Garcia - Lorena Soto

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Kopco, seconded by Mrs. Bogacki, to approve the 2026-2027 salary listing.

Personnel
2026-2027
Salary Listing

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Younker, seconded by Mrs. Bogacki, to approve the 2026-2027 substitute rates.

Personnel
2026-2027
Substitute Rates

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. M. Noll, seconded by Mr. Younker, to approve the 1st reading of the following board policies:

- 126 - Class Size (no changes)
- 305 - Employment of Substitutes
- 308 - Employment Contract/Board Resolution
- 314 - Physical Examination
- 321 - Political Activities (no changes)
- 322 - Gifts (no changes)
- 327 - Management Team (no changes)
- 328 - Compensation Plans/Salary Schedules (no changes)
- 330 - Overtime (no changes)
- 337 - Vacation (no changes)
- 351 - Drug and Substance Abuse

Board Policies
1st Reading
126, 305, 308,
314, 321, 322,
327, 328, 330,
337, 351

Question, Voice Vote - Unanimous, Motion Carried
Absent: Hersh

A motion was made by Mr. Chernow, seconded by Mr. J. Noll Jr., to approve a contract with Cottage Seven Education, LLC to provide special education services at a rate of $250 per day per student and transportation services at a rate of $475 per day for the 2026-2027 school year.

Business and
Finance
Cottage Seven
Education, LLC

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Kopco, to approve a contract with New Story Schools, Perkiomen to provide special education services for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of $395 per day per student with an additional $150 per day per student for 1:1 staffing.

Business and
Finance
New Story,
Perkiomen

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bogacki, seconded by Mr. Younker, to approve a contract with Empowerment Educational Services to provide special education services at a rate of $256 per day per student.

Business and Finance
Empowerment Education

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Kopco, seconded by Mrs. Bogacki, to approve the authorization of the Business Manager to perform all necessary budget transfers and required transactions to close the 2025-2026 fiscal year in preparation for the local audit.

Business and Finance
Budget Transfers

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. J. Noll Jr., seconded by Mr. Chernow, to approve the 2026-2027 general fund budget in the amount of $55,479,366, authorizing a tax mill levy of 38.009 mills (1.6 mill increase), and further approve all supporting tax resolutions.

Business and Finance
2026-2027 Tax Mill Levy

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. M. Noll, seconded by Mr. Younker, to approve the homestead/farmstead exclusion to provide taxpayer relief in the amount of $521.96 per approved homestead/farmstead for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

Business and Finance
Homestead/ Farmstead Exclusion

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bogacki, seconded by Mrs. Kopco, to approve the ratification of debt service payments due 6/1/2026 as follows:

- 2024 Bond Issue (Principal & Interest) $ 247,275.00
- 2021B Bond Issue (Principal & Interest) $ 597,350.00
- 2021A Bond Issue (Principal & Interest) $1,085,670.00

Business and Finance
Debt Service Payments

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. J. Noll Jr., seconded by Mr. Chernow, to approve a contract with Learnwell to provide tutoring services for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of $61.15 per hour for up to five hours per week.

Business and Finance
Learnwell

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Chernow, to approve a contract with New Story Schools, Kutztown to provide special education services for the 2026-2027 school year at a rate of $485 per day per student and an additional $150 per day for one-to-one staffing per student.

Business and Finance
New Story, Kutztown

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. M. Noll, seconded by Mr. Younker, to approve the 2026-2027 food service budget in the amount of $1,467,337 and set lunch prices as follows:

- Elementary $3.10
- Middle School/High School $3.15

Business and Finance
2026-2027 Food Service Budget

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. M. Noll, seconded by Mr. Chernow, to approve a contract with Transfinder to purchase the stopfinder parent app at a cost of $4,512.

Business and Finance
Transfinder

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. J. Noll Jr., to approve to elect Heidi Orth as Board Treasurer (one-year term) beginning July 1, 2026.

Miscellaneous
Board Treasurer

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Chernow, seconded by Mr. J. Noll Jr., to approve the authorization for the Superintendent to make employment commitments to qualified applicants for the purpose of filling vacancies that occur after the Board meeting in June with action to be ratified by the Board of School Directors at the next official meeting in July, August, or September.

Miscellaneous
Employment Commitments

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Kopco, seconded by Mrs. Bogacki, to approve the following billable request for use of facilities:

- Kingdom Theaters Multiple Dates HS Art Room $1,860.00

Use of Facilities

Question, Voice Vote-Unanimous, Motion Carried
Absent: Hersh

A motion was made by Mr. Younker, seconded by Mrs. Kopco, to adjourn the meeting. Adjournment

Question, Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Bogacki, Brown, Chernow, Kopco, J. Noll Jr., M. Noll, Valick, Younker
Absent: Hersh
Nays: None Motion Carried

The regular monthly meeting of the Fleetwood Area Board of School Directors was adjourned by the president at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael D. Noll
School Board Secretary

Executive Session: Personnel