FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
June 17, 2026

I. The May 27, 2026 Board Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board was held in the Board Room of the Ferndale Area School District, 100 Dartmouth Avenue, Johnstown. The Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Boyle at 6:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Moment of Contemplation

Notice is given that the Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board to be conducted in this room will be tape recorded and entry constitutes consent to the taping of any individual who comments.

Please note Policy No. 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings is posted on the bulletin board in the Board Room.

IV. Roll Call: Present: Susan Boyle, Barry Himes, Kimberly Kinsey, James McKendree, Jason Moschgat, Justin Pavic, Richard Pavic, Kimberly Washington, Julian Wright. Absent: None

Others in attendance were Jeffrey Boyer, William Brotz, Administrators; Lynn Bennett, Stephanie Mino, FAEA/Resident; Laura Miller, FAEA; Susan Sheesley, PSEA Retired; Joyce Leberknight, Resident; Craig Mlaker, Mlaker Transportation; Kaitlyn Maddy, Recording Secretary.

V. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

VI. Committees Agenda

The Board held an Executive Session at the June 10, 2026 Board Workshop at 6:45 p.m. for a Mandated Act 44 Security update and Personnel matters. The Executive Session ended at 7:30 p.m.

1. Board

Mr. J. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kinsey, to approve BD-61-06/26 and BD-62-06/26.

BD-61-06/26 Approve the Ferndale Area School District to join the Superintendent Leadership Exchange (SLE) Pilot for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented.

BD-62-06/26 Approve the June 17, 2026 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-63-06/26 through W-75-06/26)

BD-63-06/26 Approve the Minutes of the May 27, 2026 Board Meeting, as presented.

BG-22-06/26 Approve the request of Ferndale Area Volleyball Boosters, Responsible Officer Erika Stern, to use the Elementary Gymnasium Lobby, Table, and Chairs for Volleyball Booster Meetings Monthly starting June 2026 through June 2027, 2nd Thursday of the month as needed, from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm; providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements)

BG-23-06/26 Approve the request of Ferndale Area Volleyball, Responsible Officer Rebecca Tallari, to use the Elementary Gymnasium and Volleyball Equipment, for Little Jackets Volleyball Program, to teach girls in 4th - 6th grade how to play volleyball on August 4th, 5th, and 6th, 2026 from 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm; providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements)

F-43-06/26 Approve the May Treasurer's Report, as presented.

F-44-06/26 Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.

F-45-06/26 Approve the listed Depositories for the 2026-2027 School Year:

- First Commonwealth Bank;
- Northwest Savings Bank;
- First National Bank;
- Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust;
- C-B-W Schools Federal Credit Union;
- Pennsylvania Treasurer's Invest Program for Local Governments.

F-46-06/26 Approve the Business Manager to make the necessary Budgetary Transfers, as required by the School Code, to close the books at the end of the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

F-47-06/26 Add a list of names of Taxpayers to the District's Tax Rolls. The lists will be forwarded to the Tax collectors with instructions to collect the necessary property taxes.

F-48-06/26 Instruct the District Assessors to place the above list of names on the assessment lists and in assessment, if not presently on the assessment lists, and to retain such names on the assessment lists until they are properly removed.

F-49-06/26 Exonerate the District's Tax Collectors from the collection of the 2025-2026 Delinquent Per Capita Taxes. The names submitted will be listed as Delinquent Taxpayers.

F-50-06/26 Submit the 2025-2026 Delinquent Per Capita Tax Lists to the Pennsylvania Municipal Services, 336 Delaware Avenue, Oakmont, PA, 15139, for the purpose of collection.

IF-31-06/26 Bonding of Employees Insurance Coverage of the school district:

Bond	Coverage	Deduct
Blanket Bond/Crime	$500,000	$2,500
Board Treasurer Bond	50,000	NONE
Board Secretary	50,000	500
Activity/Principal - Elementary	25,000	250
Activity/Assistant Principal - Secondary	25,000	250
Berkheimer County-Wide	1,000,000	NONE

IF-32-06/26 Received a letter from Susan McCrone, Division of Federal Programs, informing FASD has maintained fiscal effort when comparing the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. FASD is eligible for full participation in federal grant funding for the school year 2025-2026.

IF-33-06/26 Receipts and Disbursements.

ST-115-06/26 Approve the Junior Class Officers (8 Students) trip to Hershey Lodge on August 7, 2026. Cost: Transportation (District)

W-75-06/26 Kimberly Karcher, Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher; *NGPF (Next Generation Personal Finance) Fin Camp;* Pittsburgh, July 15, 2026. Total Cost: Mileage: $105.85 (District)

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Kinsey, McKendree, J. Pavic, R. Pavic, Washington, Wright. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Moschgat. The motion carried.

2. Buildings and Grounds

Mrs. Washington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wright, to approve BG-26-06/26 through BG-28-06/26.

BG-26-06/26 Approve a remodeling project in the Junior High Cafeteria Hallway. The project will include abating asbestos floor tiles, removing old lockers, ordering new, but fewer lockers, painting the walls and door jams and installing new flooring at an estimated cost of $27,500.

BG-27-06/26 Approve a Proposal with R.L. Abatement, Inc., Hopewell, for $6,380.00, abating asbestos floor tiles.

BG-28-06/26 Approve the disposal/scrapping of existing lockers related to the Junior High Hallway Remodel Project.

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Kinsey, McKendree, J. Pavic, R. Pavic, Washington, Wright. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Moschgat. The motion carried.

3. Cafeteria

None.

4. Education

Mr. R. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. J. Pavic, to approve E-59-06/26 through E-64-06/26.

E-59-06/26 Review and approve the School Health and Safety Plan.

E-60-06/26 Approve an Agreement with Ignite Education Solutions to participate in the Elementary Behavior Intervention Classroom for the 2026-2027 school year, housed at Forest Hills Elementary School, at a cost of $13,833.14.

E-61-06/26 Approve an Addendum, effective July, 2026, that modifies the existing Contractual Agreement between Pressley Ridge and Ferndale Area School District to provide special education services for the 2026-2027 school year regarding semester rate for tuition ($19,750) and extended school year rate ($1,570 or $157 per day).

E-62-06/26 Approve a two-year Agreement with River Rock Academy for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

E-63-06/26 Approve the Revised 2026-2027 FASD PreK-12 Academic Calendar, changes made due to Penn Highlands Scheduling:
– February 12, 2027 No School - School Closed
– May 25, 2027 Clerical Day moved to May 26, 2027
– Last Student Day/Graduation moved to June 2, 2027
– June 2, 2027 Teacher In-Service Day moved to June 3, 2027

E-64-06/26 Renew a Memorandum of Understanding between Ferndale Area School District and Community Action Partnership of Cambria County (CAPCC) Early Childhood Programs to provide effective services for children and families served.

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Kinsey, McKendree, J. Pavic, R. Pavic, Washington, Wright. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Moschgat. The motion carried.

IE-36-06/26 The District will continue to use Seneca Valley to offer various foreign language courses to our students with the exception of Spanish.

IE-37-06/26 District-wide Highlights

IE-38-06/26 GJCTC Joint Operating Committee Highlights (Richard Pavic)

5. Finance

F-51-06//26 Mr. Himes made a motion, seconded by Mr. R. Pavic, to approve the renewal Agreement between Montgomery County Intermediate Unit and Ferndale Area School District for Level Data Services from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Cost: $3,354.00.

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Kinsey, McKendree, J. Pavic, R. Pavic, Washington, Wright. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Moschgat. The motion carried.

6. Personnel

Mr. Himes made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Washington, to approve P-47-06/26 through P-52-06/26.

P-47-06/26 Approve advertising for a long-term substitute secondary math teacher, for Employee# 25267385, from approximately August 2026 through November 2026.

P-48-06/26 Approve Jason Ozog as the Athletic Director Intern (Athletic Operations), for the 2026-2027 school year only, at a stipend of $2,500.

P-49-06/26 Approve Mackenzie Sarka as the Athletic Director Intern (Community Engagement and Athletic Promotion), for the 2026-2027 school year only, at a stipend of $2,000.

P-50-06/26 Approve reducing the Digital Marketing Specialist stipend by $1,000.

P-51-06/26 Approve $5,000 stipend for the previously created Director of Elementary Athletics position.

P-52-06/26 Approve the resignation of Ruth Kauffman as 5th grade ELA and Social Studies Teacher effective June 16, 2026.

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Kinsey, McKendree - (P-47-06/26, P-48-06/26, P-50-06/26, and P-52-06/26), J. Pavic, R. Pavic – (P-47-06/26, P-48-06/26, P-49-06/26, P-50-06/26, and P-52-06/26), Washington, Wright. Against the motion: R. Pavic – (P-51-06/26), McKendree – (P-49-06/26 and P-51-06/26) Abstained: None. Absent: Moschgat. The motion carried.

7. Student Activities

IST-12-06/26 Alex Hogue resigning as the Head Varsity Cross Country Coach.

Mr. Wright made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kinsey, to approve ST-116-06/26 through ST-118-06/26.

ST-116-05/26 Approve Gregory Bixel, Johnstown, as Head Varsity Cross Country Coach for the 2026-2027 season; pending receipt of all appropriate paperwork. Salary is based on the Coaches Contract.

ST-117-05/26 Approve Carl Keifer, Johnstown, as Assistant Varsity Cross Country Coach for the 2026-2027 season, pending receipt of all appropriate paperwork. Salary is based on the Coaches Contract.

ST-118-06/26 Approve the amended 2026-2027 Athletic Director Contract, as presented.

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Kinsey, McKendree, J. Pavic, R. Pavic, Washington, Wright. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Moschgat. The motion carried.

8. Workshops/Conferences

None.

The August Workshop Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19, 2026. The August Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 26, 2026.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. R. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. J. Pavic to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m.