FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Board Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2026

I. A Special Board Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board was held on July 22, 2026 in the Board Room of the Elementary School, 100 Dartmouth Avenue, Johnstown, for the Specific Purpose of General Business. The Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Boyle at 6:02 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.

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, Justin Pavic, Richard Pavic, Kimberly Washington, Julian Wright via telephone; Absent: Jason Moschgat.

Others in attendance were Jeffrey Boyer, William Brotz, David Gates, Amy Mykut, Dane Domonkos, Sutton Barron, Administrators; Lynn Bennett, Stephanie Mino, Amy Schmidt, FAEA/Resident; Erika Stern, FAEA; Susan Sheesley, PSEA Retired; Joyce Leberknight, Resident; Kaitlyn Maddy, Recording Secretary.

V. Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association

VI. Committees Agenda

1. Board

Mr. Himes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wright, to approve BD-01-07/26.

BD-01-07/26 Approve the Minutes of the June 17, 2026 Board Meeting, 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.

2. Buildings and Grounds

Mr. J. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kinsey to approve BG-01-07/26 through BG-02-07/26.

BG-01-07/26 Approve the purchase of a 7 Passenger Van at approximately $70,000.

BG-02-07/26 Approve filing an insurance claim for Elementary Building HVAC repairs.

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

Mrs. Washington made a motion, seconded by Mr. R. Pavic, to approve C-01-07/26.

C-01-07/26 Approve purchasing a new oven from Hubert at a cost of $11,237.00 for the Elementary Cafeteria and disposing of the old oven.

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.

4. Education

Mr. Wright made a motion, seconded by Mr. R. Pavic, to approve E-01-07/26 through E-07-07/26.

E-01-07/26 Approve the updated 2026-2027 Junior-Senior High School Student Handbook.

E-02-07/26 Approve an Agreement with Ignite Education Solutions, Johnstown, for long term, contracted, and substitute staff, on an as needed basis, for the 2026-2027 school year, including the Extended School Year.

E-03-07/26 Approve an Agreement with Ignite Education Solutions, Johnstown, for aides for the 2026-2027 school year, pending receipt of all appropriate paperwork:

- Title 1, ES – Sami Long
- Pre-K Counts, ES – Kristyn Amendola
- Pre-K Counts, ES – Gabby Riffle
- Special Education Aide, ES – Brianna Merringer
- Special Education Aide, ES – Carol Pavlosky
- Special Education Aide, ES – Danielle Holcomb
- Special Education Aide, HS – Regina James
- Special Education Aide, HS – Keenan Koeller
- Special Education Aide, HS – Haylee Chernicky
- Special Education Aide, HS – Jessy Staghart
- Special Education Aide, HS – TBD

E-04-07/26 Approve an Agreement with Ignite Education Solutions, Johnstown, for substitute aides for the 2026-2027 school year.

E-05-07/26 Approve an Agreement with Ignite Education Solutions, Johnstown, to employ Dylan Matcho as an Instrumental Instructor at a rate of $144.20 per day for the 2026-2027 school year.

E-06-07/26 Renew a Dual Credit Agreement between Penn Highlands Community College and Ferndale Area School District for participation in college level courses for the 2026-2027 school year.

E-07-07/26 Approve a Pre-K Counts Collaborative Partnership Agreement with Cambria County Child Development Corporation.

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.

5. Finance

Mr. Himes made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Washington, to approve F-01-07/26 through F-02-07/26.

F-01-07/26 Approve the June Treasurer's Report, as presented.

F-02-07/26 Approve the General Fund, as presented.

IF-01-07/26 Receipts and Disbursements.

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. J. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs, Kinsey, to approve P-01-07/26 through P-08-07/26.

P-01-07/26 Approve the resignation of Brittany Carlson as 6th grade ELA and Social Studies Teacher, letter dated June 25, 2026.

P-02-07/26 Approve the resignation of Marlen Lorditch as Title I Aide effective August 17, 2026.

P-03-07/26 Employ Krista Woodhead, Westmont, as an Elementary Teacher, with full benefits, Step 15 Masters Degree, effective the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year, as presented, pending receipt of all appropriate paperwork.

P-04-07/26 Employ Emily Peters as an Elementary Teacher with full benefits, Step 1 Bachelors, effective the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year, as presented, pending receipt of all appropriate paperwork.

P-05-07/26 Approve Gabrielle Slagel, Johnstown, as a long-term secondary substitute, at a rate of $231.05 per day worked, for the 2026-2027 school year.

P-06-07/26 Approve Sarah Riffle as the Director of Elementary Athletics for the 2026-2027 school year.

P-07-07/26 Approve the following extra pay for extra duty applicants for the 2026-2027 school year:

-- Advisor - Junior Class - Erika Stern
-- Advisor - Senior Class (2) - Leigh Ann Dunn, Andrea Kreinbrook
-- Assistant Band Director – JSHS -
-- Assistant Play Director – JSHS - Christina Fosbrink
-- Assistant Technology Student Association Advisor – JSHS - Dawn Wolfe
-- Band Director - Dustin Rainey
-- Color Guard Director - JSHS -
-- Detention Monitor, 1 Hr Session - ES - Rachelle Hrabosky, Lynn Bennett
-- Detention Monitor, 3 Hr Session - (Wednesday, Friday) - JSHS - Erika Stern, Kimberly Karcher, Andrea Kreinbrook
-- Detention Monitor, 1 Hr Session - (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday) – JSHS - Erika Stern, Kimberly Karcher, Andrea Kreinbrook
-- Digital Marketing Specialist - Christina Fosbrink
-- District Art Room Coordinator - Michelle Sendek
-- Elementary Dance - Lauren Ozog
-- ESL Coordinator - Lynn Bennett
-- Forensics Advisor - JSHS - Justin Ogline
-- Health & Wellness Coordinator - Courtney Johnson
-- Interact Club Advisor – ES - Scott Beckner
-- Interact Club Advisor – JSHS - Kimberly Karcher
-- Jr. National Honor Society Advisor -
-- Pre-K Orientation - Megan Carbaugh, Kathleen McCreery, Courtney Johnson
-- Kindergarten Orientation - Alisha Black, Sarah Riffle, Courtney Johnson
-- LEGO League Advisor (2) - ES - Alisha Black, Erika Stern
-- MathCounts Advisor - JSHS - Erika Stern
-- Mentor (As Needed) - Kimberly Karcher, Andrea Kreinbrook
-- National Honor Society/Post Prom
-- PBIS Advisor (2) - ES - Scott Beckner, Kaitlyn Stevens
-- PBIS Advisor (2) - JSHS - Madison Crum, Molly Pilcher
-- Play Director - JSHS - Rebecca Walker
-- Reading Team Advisor - ES - Kaitlyn Stevens
-- Reading Team Advisor - JH - Molly Pilcher
-- Reading Team Advisor - SH - Molly Pilcher
-- Science Olympiad Advisor - JSHS -
-- Stage Director - JSHS - Dustin Rainey
-- STEAM Advisor - ES - Kaitlyn Stevens
-- Student Council Advisor - JSHS - Christina Fosbrink
-- Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) Advisor - JSHS -
-- Yearbook Advisor - ES - Rachelle Hrabosky
-- Yearbook Advisor - JSHS - Gwen Gaviola
-- Yearbook Advisor - Assistant - JSHS - Jessica Mullen

P-08-07/26 Approve the following extra pay for extra duty applicants on an as needed basis for the 2026-2027 school year at the curriculum rate at the discretion of Administrative approval:

-- Curriculum Support Chairperson - Elementary Language Arts - Jennifer Gorzelsky

-- Curriculum Support Chairperson - Elementary Math - Stephanie Mino
-- Curriculum Support Chairperson - Elementary Science - Rachelle Hrabosky
-- Curriculum Support Chairperson - Elementary Social Studies - Stephanie Mino
-- Department Chair - Secondary Language Arts - Andrea Kreinbrook
-- Department Chair - Secondary Math - Erika Stern
-- Department Chair - Secondary Science - Jason Ozog
-- Department Chair - Secondary Social Studies - Ronald Lasko
-- Department Chair - Special Education & Student Services-Co-Chair- Madison Crum, Leigh Ann Dunn

Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Himes, Kinsey, McKendree (P-01-07/26, P-02-07/26, P-03-07/26, P-04-7/26, P-05-7/26, P-07-07/26, P-08-07/26), J. Pavic, R. Pavic, Washington, Wright. Against the motion: McKendree (P-06-07/26). Abstained: None. Absent: Moschgat. The motion carried.

7. Student Activities

Mrs. Washington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Himes, to approve ST-01-07/26.

ST-01-07/26 Approve the Volleyball Official Fees for the 2026-2027 school year, 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 6:16 p.m.