FOX CHAPEL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Agenda Study Session
November 2, 2026 – 7 p.m.
Fox Chapel Area High School LGI Room

Regular Business Meeting
November 9, 2026 – 7 p.m.
Fox Chapel Area High School LGI Room

This meeting may be recorded and/or broadcast.

Attached Pages

I. CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

III. GUESTS

•The Fox Chapel Area High School girls varsity golf team won the WPIAL Class 3A Section 4 title, and were undefeated in the section (12-0) for the second consecutive year. The team members were seniors **Abigail Freyvogel**, **Clara Koteski**, **Liesel Schwartz**, and **Abigail Shelton**; juniors **London Bitar** and **Brooke Leone**; sophomore **Lucy Koteski**; and freshman **Enza Soose**. This was the team's ninth consecutive section championship. The team also went undefeated (18-0) for the second consecutive year, and was the only team in the WPIAL to go undefeated this season.

Additionally, Clara won the WPIAL Class 3A Section 4 individual golf title for the third time on September 24, 2026, at the Murrysville Golf Course, and qualified for the PIAA individual championships that were held October 19 and 20 at the Penn State Golf Courses.

•The Fox Chapel Area High School boys varsity golf team qualified for the PIAA championships and won the WPIAL Class 3A Section 7 title. The team was undefeated (12-0) in its section for the third consecutive year. The team members were seniors **Nathan Begg**, **William Johnson**, **Carson Kittsley**, and **Joseph McGivney**; juniors **Barron Bitar**, **Reid Gamblin**, **Cameron Lapiana**, **Jack McLaughlin**, **Harrison Soose**, **Luke Troutman**, and **Thomas Troutman**; and sophomore **Frank Calandra**. This is the sixth consecutive year the team won the section championship.

Additionally, Carson qualified for the individual state championships and was also named the WPIAL Class 3A Section 7 individual golf champion for the third consecutive year on September 21, 2026, at the Pittsburgh North Golf Course. The PIAA Class 3A individual and team championships were held October 19-21 at the Penn State Golf Courses.

IV. FOX LEADERSHIP COUNCIL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE(S)

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VI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approve the minutes of the regular business meeting dated October 12, 2026.

* **Motion:** **Moved by _____and seconded by _____, that the minutes of the regular business meeting dated October 12, 2026, are approved as written.**

Roll Call Vote:

VIII. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – Public comment is limited to residents or taxpayers of this district. The first public comment period is for items that are scheduled for deliberation or official action on the agenda. To register to make a public comment, please contact the Board Secretary during business hours, but no later than 12 p.m., on the day of the meeting by email (boardsecretary@fcasd.edu), telephone (412-967-2413), or at the district office (611 Field Club Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238). Please provide your name, complete address, telephone number, the subject of the comment or topic to be addressed, and any group affiliation. During the meeting, the Board Secretary will call those community members scheduled to comment by telephone. Sign-in sheets will also be provided at each meeting for those attending who wish to offer public comment and did not register in advance.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Academic Committee Report *(Dr. Haselkorn)*

B. Governance Committee Report *(Mr. Frank)*

C. Projects and Planning Committee Report *(Ms. Zych)*

X. NEW BUSINESS

- **The superintendent is recommending that action be taken on the following items of business:**

A. Facilities / Transportation *(Mrs. Lynch)*

1. JML Landscape Management, LLC – Landscape Maintenance Contract

- Approve the landscape maintenance contract as attached between the Fox Chapel Area School District and JML Landscape Management, LLC for landscape services for the period January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029, at a total cost of $168,442 per year. **This is a renewal of services at a 3.2% cost increase the first year and no increase for years two and three.**

2. Additional School Bus Drivers – 2026-2027 School Year

- Ratify hiring the additional ABC Transit, Inc., drivers from the attached list effective for the 2026-2027 school year. All required licensing, clearances, and all other essential employment requirements for school bus operators under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have been verified.

* **Motion: Moved by _____and seconded by _____, that Facilities / Transportation items 1 and 2 are approved.**

Roll Call Vote:

B. Finance *(Mr. Hamilton)*

1. Finance Report – September 2026

- The finance report for September 2026 is acknowledged and filed for audit as attached.

2. Budget Transfers – 2025-2026

- The budget transfers for 2025-2026 are approved as attached.

3. Budget Transfers – 2026-2027

- The budget transfers for 2026-2027 are approved as attached.

4. Student Activity Financial Reports

- The first quarter 2026-2027 middle school and high school student activity financial reports are acknowledged and filed for audit as attached.

5. Award of Bids – Athletic

- The administration is authorized to award the following bids for the 2026-2027 school year:

Athletic Supplies Bids – Spring

Aluminum Athletic Equipment Co. 1000 Enterprise Drive Royersford, PA 19468-1298	$3,456.00
BSN Sports, LLC P.O. Box 7726 Dallas, TX 75209	$1,010.27
Century Sports, Inc 115 E. McMurray Road McMurray, PA 15317	$1,832.87
MFAC, LLC 1600 Division Road West Warwick, RI 02893	$564.00
Natale Sporting Goods 112 Lincoln Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15209	$8,035.58
Pyramid School Products 6510 N. 54th Street Tampa, FL 33610	$1,562.62
Riddell 7501 Performance Lane North Ridgeville, OH 44039	$226.60

* **Motion: Moved by _____and seconded by _____, that Finance items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 are approved.**

Roll Call Vote:

C. Instruction *(Mrs. Cooper)*

1. Camp Allegheny Inc. – Group Contract

- Approve the group contract as attached between the Fox Chapel Area School District and Camp Allegheny Inc. for lodging, meals, and meeting spaces for the fifth-grade environmental education program in the fall of 2027, dates to be determined. **This is a renewal of services at a 1.5% cost increase per student, per counselor or teacher, and per staff. All other costs remain the same.**

2. January 2027 Graduates

- Acknowledge the following list of candidates who are eligible for midyear graduation, subject to final approval by the high school lead principal:

Ziad Badawy	Skyla Barr	Finnegan DeRensis
Miles Demko	Colton Farringer	Dominic Heresco
Mohamed Hussein	Tristan Johnston	Alina MacFarlane
Samantha Nance	Gracee Salac	James Saleone
Melody Zaccagnini		

3. Allegheny Intermediate Unit
IDEA-Section 619 – Pass Through Funds/Use of Funds Agreement

- Ratify the sub-grant agreement as attached for the implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)-Section 619 between the Fox Chapel Area School District and the Allegheny Intermediate Unit #3 for the period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, and authorize the superintendent to execute the agreement on behalf of the district. **This is a renewal of services.**

* **Motion:** **Moved by _____and seconded by _____, that Instruction items 1, 2, and 3 are approved.**

Roll Call Vote:

D. Legislation / Policy *(Mr. Frank)*

1. Policies – Revised – Second Reading

- Approve the second reading of the following revised policies as attached:

No. 140 – Charter Schools
No. 221 – Dress and Grooming
No. 325 – Dress and Grooming
No. 332 – Working Periods
No. 716 – Integrated Pest Management
No. 810 – Transportation

2. Policies – Revised – First Reading

- Approve the first reading of the following revised policies as attached:

No. 102 – Academic Standards
No. 105 – Curriculum
No. 209 – Health Examinations/Screenings
No. 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying
No. 704 – Maintenance
No. 805.2 – School Security Personnel
No. 822 – Automated External Defibrillator (AED)/Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

3. Policy – New – First Reading

- Approve the first reading of the following new policy as attached:

No. 204.1 – Virtual Attendance and Wellness Checks

* **Motion:** **Moved by _____and seconded by _____, that Legislation / Policy items 1, 2, and 3 are approved.**

Roll Call Vote:

E. Personnel *(Ms. Zych)*

F. Operations / Cooperative Services *(Mr. Goode)*

No action is requested.

XI. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – Public comment is limited to residents or taxpayers of this district. The second public comment period is for other matters of concern within the authority of the School Board. To register to make a public comment, please contact the Board Secretary during business hours, but no later than 12 p.m., on the day of the meeting by email (boardsecretary@fcasd.edu), telephone (412-967-2413), or at the district office (611 Field Club Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238). Please provide your name, complete address, telephone number, the subject of the comment or topic to be addressed, and any group affiliation. During the meeting, the Board Secretary will call those community members scheduled to comment by telephone. Sign-in sheets will also be provided at each meeting for those attending who wish to offer public comment and did not register in advance.

XII. FOX CHAPEL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE

XIII. BOARD COMMENTS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

* **Motion: Moved by _____and seconded by _____, that the meeting is adjourned. Time: _____.**

Voice Vote:

NOTE: Attachments cited within the agenda are available for the public on the district website. Anyone without access to the district website who wishes to review the attachments may do so by contacting the Board Secretary during regular business hours.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Enrollment and Fire Drills

B. Information

•Students Named Semifinalists in Coca-Cola Scholars Program

Two Fox Chapel Area High School students, **Noelle Fouron** and **Nico Zgurzynski**, have been selected as Semifinalists for the prestigious 2027 class of the Coca-Cola Scholars Program. Noelle and Nico are two of 1,227 high school seniors from across the nation, and two of only 62 from Pennsylvania, to be selected as Semifinalists. More than 113,000 students applied for the program this year. Students are selected as Semifinalists based on their academic records and achievements, and are highly accomplished service-oriented leaders who are making a positive impact in their schools and communities.

The Semifinalists will now submit an essay, a recommendation, and a transcript, and 250 Regional Finalists will be named in early January. They will then complete an interview and a total of 150 Coca-Cola Scholars will be named in late February. Scholars will receive a $20,000 scholarship and will be honored at the 2027 Scholars Banquet in April in Atlanta.

A joint effort of Coca-Cola Bottlers across the country and The Coca-Cola Company, the Coca-Cola Scholars Program is the largest corporate-sponsored, achievement-based scholarship program in the United States. With the addition of the 2027 class, the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation will have provided more than 7,300 Coke Scholars nationwide with more than $93 million in scholarships over the course of 39 years.

"We believe that identifying these young leaders throughout the country and encouraging their passion for serving others, not only empowers the students, but also lifts up those around them," said Jane Hale Paulsen, president of the foundation. "The Coca-Cola system is dedicated to giving back to the communities they serve, and the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation is proud to be a part of that commitment."

•High School Students and Graduates Named AP Scholars

A total of 228 current Fox Chapel Area High School students and 2026 graduates were named Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars by the College Board for demonstrating college-level achievement on the AP examinations taken in May 2026. The College Board recognizes three levels of achievement based on the number of courses and exams.

The following graduates/students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction award by earning an average score of 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams: 2026 graduates **Maya Agarwal**, **Marin Airik**, **Arman Alborzi**, **Prachi Behal**, **Maeve Beresford**, **Karsten Buchert**, **Victor Burkhardt**, **Anya Butler**, **Alana Calig**, **Ross Calig**, **Lily Cannon**, **Aaron Chung**, **Molly Classen**, **Tobias Conklin**, **Catherine Conway**, **Michael Costello**, **Atia DiGioia**, **Samantha Dinh**, **Greta Erdner**, **Mikayla Feder**, **Ori Goldin**, **Laila Golla**, **Caroline Grimsley**, **Eduardo Guirola Diaz**, **Charles Hahl**, **Elisabeth Hamilla**, **Priscila Hayetian**, **Riley Hemingray**, **Zelia Herald**, **Aavree Hill**, **Vesta Homayoun**, **Zinta Jacob**, **Sophia Jacobs**, **Alan Jiang**, **Eloise Johnson**, **Avery Jones**, **Nora Kelley**, **Warren Kerstetter**, **Daniel Kidane**, **Akshay Lath**, **Joanna Li**, **Steven Li**, **Korra Littwin**, **Gavin Lynch**, **Mary Lynch**, **Bailey Mack**, **James Manges**, **Max Melocchi**, **Eugenia Mettenburg**, **August Mierwald**, **Allison Milgrub**, **Dayna Mullan**, **Faye Muller**, **Sophia Nguansiri**, **Gavin Nguyen**, **Gabriel Nosik**, **Mira Owens**, **Zehra Ozkaya**, **Marilyn Pekarcik**, **Sarah Rached**, **Charlotte Rattner**, **Joshua Shah**, **Mason Shelkey-Bray**, **Joseph Shin**, **Rodrigo Silva**, **Lorenzo Smiraglio**, **Aspen Smouse**, **Emma Srodes**, **Benjamin Sun**, **Emilia Sutkowski**, **Yash Tahiliani**, **Theodore Tedesco**, **Umayma Trebak**, **Samuel Troutman**, **Nikolaj Vavpetic**, **Joseph Weber**, **Ian Wellman**, **Michael Winter**, and **Helen Xu**; and 2026-2027 seniors **Jolie Cessna**, **Zachary Chan**, **Max Choset**, **Nathan Chu**, **Nadre Digbohou**, **Evan Donaldson**, **Ella Ettinger**, **Kathryn Fasanella**, **Grant Fenton**, **Noelle Fouron**, **Brynn Gamblin**, **Remi Goldstein**, **Ella Golomb**, **Ainsley Goode**, **Simon Goode**, **Sarah Huang**, **Zhanyu Jiang**, **William Kelly**, **Rachel Kim**, **Keita Komatsu**, **Oussama Lahham**, **Hannah Liu**, **Mikhail Lukichev**, **Sofia Melani**, **Kayla Nguyen**, **Mark Christopher Ong**, **Harrison Parker**, **Ayush Patel**, **Melanie Pietz**, **Georgy Pistsov**, **Lia Pizzella**, **Simon Richter**, **Desmond Ruff**, **Rayyan Saidi**, **Ozlem Sayrak**, **Marlowe Schmidt**, **Mischa Scholz**, **Liesel Schwartz**,

Aislynn Senn, **Abigail Shelton**, **Emma Smith**, **Param Thawani**, **Joshua Ummer**, **Leonidas Vandapel**, **Joe Yoshikawa**, and **HanYing Zhang**.

The following graduates/students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor award by earning an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams: 2026 graduates **Maxwell Bruno**, **Rocco Didomenico**, **Lilly Hunkele**, **Grady Johnson**, **Colby Koloshinsky**, **Jeanne Leboulanger**, **Meredith Lowe**, **Fiona McCarthy**, **Evan Suanders**, **Evan Skvarla**, **Robert Svenson**, and **Morgan Van Kirk**; 2026-2027 seniors **Holden Driver**, **Aiden Drucker**, **Collin Fasanella**, **Caroline Franklin**, **Abigail Freyvogel**, **Brooklyn Harper**, **Nolan Horne**, **Lydia Humes**, **Darshen Jayaratnam**, **Luke Kaizer**, **Riley Kaufmann**, **Norah Kovach**, **Camden Krotine**, **Jane Maurer**, **Iris Minturn**, **Luke Montgomery**, **Eli Olifson**, **Allison Olivieri**, **Evelyn Owens**, **Charlotte Rusche**, **Olivia Schooley**, **Sadie Stephenson**, **Heidi Stiger**, **Taylor Stocker**, **Hayden Trac**, **Camila Trott**, **Dashel Wilson**, **Gabriel Yassin**, and **Nico Zgurzynski**; and 2026-2027 juniors **Akari Inada** and **Amelia Tedesco**.

The following graduates/students qualified for the AP Scholar award by receiving scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams: 2026 graduates **Summer Burkhart**, **Dylan Calig**, **Luci Carvelli**, **Claire Conti**, **Michael Didomenico**, **Emma DiRocco**, **Anderson Dockey**, **Charles Hill**, **Keitaro Inada**, **Auden Jacobson**, **Maggie Jones**, **Charlotte McLeland**, **Ayla Ojanen**, **Sean Regan**, **Kayleigh Sejvar**, **Sophia Tai**, **Samantha Van Kirk**, **Anais Wang**, and **Yixin Zhang**; 2026-2027 seniors **Nisreen Al-Bataineh**, **Braxton Bielawski**, **Max Bryson**, **Margaret Carter**, **Aubrielle Cheatham**, **Matthew Clark**, **Elise Dressman**, **Paige Dugan**, **Despina Gambotto**, **Juliette Hirshberg**, **Ethan Kabus**, **Tristan Kobylinski**, **Joshua Laman**, **Victoria Macklin**, **Lucia McElwain**, **Haley Moore**, **Sienna Mort**, **Neko Mourra**, **Drew Moyer**, **Josiah Muaya**, **Adam Nimr**, **Haruki Ono**, **Eli Ramirez**, **Evie Rosen**, **Franklin Sherman**, **Josephine Stanczak**, **Brady Stocker**, **Ava Wegley**, **Victor White**, **Phineas Wood**, and **David Zakrocki**; and 2026-2027 juniors **Lucas Ahern**, **Maddox Chiu**, **Bridget Hemingray**, **Steven Hu**, **Philip Johnson**, **Asher Peng**, **Grace Smiraglio**, **Siddarth Srinivasan**, **Henry Sun**, and **Ayden Wang**.

Fox Chapel Area High School 2026 graduate Ori Goldin was awarded an Advanced Placement International Diploma (APID). The APID is a globally recognized certificate awarded to students who display exceptional achievement across a variety of disciplines. The award is available to international students attending secondary schools outside the United States and to U.S. high school students applying to universities outside the country. The APID certifies outstanding academic excellence with a global perspective. Students receiving an APID must score a 3 or higher on 5 or more AP exams.

Advanced Placement exams are graded on a 5-point scale, with 5 being the highest. Most of the nation's four-year colleges and universities award credit and/or advanced placement for qualifying exam scores. Every year, AP examinations are offered in a wide variety of subject areas, each consisting of multiple choice and free-response (essay or problem-solving) questions.

C. Fox Chapel Area School Board Upcoming Meetings

<u>November 9, 2026</u>			
7 p.m.	Regular Business Meeting	High School	LGI Room
<u>November 10, 2026</u>			
6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
<u>November 17, 2026</u>			
6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
<u>November 18, 2026</u>			
6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room

December 7, 2026			
7 p.m.	Reorganization Meeting & Combined Agenda Study Session and Regular Business Meeting	High School	LGI Room
January 5, 2027			
6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
January 12, 2027			
6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
January 19, 2027			
6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
February 2, 2027			
6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
February 9, 2027			
6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
February 16, 2027			
6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
March 2, 2027			
6 p.m.	Governance Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
March 3, 2027			
6 p.m.	Academic Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room
March 30, 2027			
6 p.m.	Projects and Planning Committee Meeting	Administrative Offices	Staff Development Room