



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

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6	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.	6
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8	II.	Pledge of Allegiance	8
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10		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.	10
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12	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.	12
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16		Student Board Representatives Present: Richard Henry and Kristina Strosico. Absent: Alyse Callihan.	16
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19		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.	19
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24	IV.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association	24
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26		January was School Director Recognition Month.	26
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28	1.	Board	28
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30	IBD-34-01/07	Student Board Representatives' Report.	30
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32	IBD-35-01/07	Technology Highlights - Michael Stohon.	32
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34	IBD-36-01/07	Distribute Statement of Financial Interest forms to Board Members and Administrators.	34
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37	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.	37
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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

1	IBD-37-01/07	The following policies were distributed:	1
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3		300 Administrative Employees	3
4		500 Support Personnel	4
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6	BD-35-01/07	Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Vamos, to award a High	6
7		School Diploma to John Abraham Dezelon who served in World	7
8		War II. Mr. Dezelon would have graduated in 1945. The motion	8
9		passed unanimously by a roll call vote.	9
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11	IBD-38-01/07	Highlights of the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center	11
12		Joint Operating Committee.	12
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14	IBD-39-01/07	Elementary Highlights - Edward Moran	14
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16		High School Highlights - Jennifer Gamble	16
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18	IBD-40-01/07	Thank you card - Girls' Basketball.	18
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20		Mr. Stewart arrived at 6:56 p.m.	20
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22	IBD-41-01/07	2006-07 School Bus Driver Roster - John Kowal.	22
23		Gregory Beale Donald Mack	23
24		Michael Bugal Kristy McCullough	24
25		Walter Carney Matthew Mlaker	25
26		Brian Dugan Craig Mlaker	26
27		Donald Eash Robert Rubal	27
28		Thomas Goch Ellen Schatz	28
29		Ervin Hoover James Schatz	29
30		Daniel Horvath Robert Sigg	30
31		Kathy Lantzy Frederick Tittle	31
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BD-33-01/07

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.

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

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1	BD-34-01/07	Approve, as modified, the First Reading of the following revised	1
2		policies:	2
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4		<u>800 OPERATIONS</u>	4
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6		801 Public Records	6
7		806 Child/Student Abuse	7
8		807 Opening Exercises/Flag Displays	8
9		808 Food Services	9
10		808.1 Lunch Accounts	10
11		826 Privacy of Health Information (HIPAA)	11
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13		<u>900 COMMUNITY</u>	13
14			14
15		903 Public Participation in Board Meetings	15
16		904 Public Attendance at School Events	16
17		906 Public Complaints	17
18		915 Booster Organizations	18
19		918 Title I Parent Involvement	19
20		919 District/School Report Cards	20
21		923 Tobacco Usage	21
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23	2.	Buildings and Grounds	23
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25	BG-17-01/07	Mr. Vamos made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stewart, to approve the	25
26		Ferndale Club Hockey Team use of the Senior High School Gym for a	26
27		dance on February 23, 2007. Use of facilities is pending receipt of	27
28		insurance, receipt of completed use of facilities form, receipt of	28
29		clearances, and providing that no conflicts occur with District	29
30		programs. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.	30
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32	BG-18-01/07	Mr. Eisenhuth made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve	32
33		submission of PlanCon Part J, Project Accounting Based on Final	33
34		Costs for the Ferndale Area Elementary Building Project, to	34
35		Pennsylvania Department of Education. The motion passed	35
36		unanimously by a roll call vote.	36
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38	IBG-06-01/07	High School Boys Locker Room/Gymnasium wall cracks were	38
39		discussed.	39
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1	BG-19-01/07	Mr. Vamos made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve a	1
2		contract with H.F. Lenz Company (dated December 1, 2006) to	2
3		monitor the High School Boys Locker Room/Gynmasium wall cracks	3
4		so the District can determine whether or not there is any structural	4
5		defects that needs to be addressed, at a cost of \$3,600. Record vote for	5
6		the motion: Banks, Chobany, Eisenhuth, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart,	6
7		and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent:	7
8		Blue. The motion carried.	8
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10	3.	Cafeteria	10
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12		None.	12
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14	4.	Education	14
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16	IE-10-01/07	Keystone Presentations.	16
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18		The Board took a break at 8:43 p.m.	18
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20		Mr. Eisenhuth left the meeting at 8:43 p.m.	20
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22		The Board reconvened at 8:51 p.m.	22
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24	5.	Finance	24
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26		Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve	26
27		F-21-01/07 and F-22-01/07. Record vote for the motion: Banks,	27
28		Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the	28
29		motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The	29
30		motion carried.	30
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32	F-21-01/07	Approve the November and December Treasurer's Reports, as	32
33		presented.	33
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35	F-22-01/07	Approve the General Fund and Hot Lunch Bills, as presented.	35
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1	F-23-01/07	Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Vamos, to approve the	1
2		tentatively adopted 2007-2008 Joint Operating Committee Greater	2
3		Johnstown Area Career and Technology Center/AVTS General Fund	3
4		Budget, as follows. Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany,	4
5		Jones, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: Lucas. None.	5
6		Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.	6
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8		General Fund Budget:	8
9		Secondary Education Tentatively Adopted Budget \$3,443,630	9
10		Workforce Development/Adult Education Budget \$2,600,124	10
11		Grants and Projects Budget \$1,258,934	11
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13		Total General Fund Budget: \$7,302,688	13
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15	IF-16-01/07	Agreement with Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 for use of IDEIA	15
16		Section 611 Pass Thru Funds, CFD#84.027.	16
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18	IF-17-01/07	Act 1 Material (Binder)	18
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20	IF-18-01/07	Receipts and disbursements were reviewed.	20
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22	6.	Personnel	22
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24		Mrs. Penna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lucas, to approve	24
25		P-47-01/07, P-48-01/07, P-49-01/07. The motion passed unanimously	25
26		by a roll call vote.	26
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28	P-47-01/07	Approve Paulette Henry to the substitute support staff list:	28
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30	P-48-01/07	Approve Robert Boyle, Amy Sue Eash, Laura Gaunt, Marilyn	30
31		Lindberg, and Michael Pasierb to the substitute teachers list:	31
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33	P-49-01/07	Approve the resignation of Amanda Williamson, Math Teacher,	33
34		effective the start date of her replacement.	34
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36	P-50-01/07	Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to employ June	36
37		White as an Elementary Cleaner, at a stipend of \$6.25 per hour, with	37
38		limited benefits, effective January 18, 2007. Record vote for the	38
39		motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos.	39
40		Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and	40
41		Eisenhuth. The motion carried.	41
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1	P-51-01/07	Mr. Vamos made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones, to employ Caryl	1
2		Palenik as a High School Cleaner, (pending clearances) at a stipend of	2
3		\$6.25 per hour, with limited benefits, effective January 18, 2007.	3
4		Record vote for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna,	4
5		Stewart, and Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None.	5
6		Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.	6
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8	P-52-01/07	Mrs. Penna made a motion, second by Mr. Lucas, to approve the	8
9		transfer of Wayne Lohr, Grade 5 Teacher, to the Federal Programs	9
10		Coordinator position, due to the retirement of Gary Burnheimer,	10
11		effective with the 2007-08 school year. Record vote for the motion:	11
12		Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and Vamos. Against	12
13		the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue and Eisenhuth.	13
14		The motion carried.	14
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16	7.	Student Activities	16
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18		Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lucas, to approve	18
19		ST-24-01/07, ST-25-01/07, ST-26-01/07, ST-27-01/07. Record vote	19
20		for the motion: Banks, Chobany, Jones, Lucas, Penna, Stewart, and	20
21		Vamos. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Blue	21
22		and Eisenhuth. The motion carried.	22
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24	ST-24-01/07	Approve the French students field trip to Murrysville to attend an	24
25		Etienne Concert on April 20, 2007, at a cost of \$300.00 for	25
26		transportation.	26
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28	ST-25-01/07	Approve the K4 students field trip to the Pittsburgh Zoo on April 27,	28
29		2007, at a cost of \$1,400.00.	29
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31	ST-26-01/07	Approve the French students field trip to Pittsburgh, Gateway Clipper,	31
32		on May 16, 2007, at a cost of \$600.00 for transportation.	32
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34	ST-27-01/07	Approve the Sixth Grade students field trip to Greater Johnstown	34
35		Career and Technology Center on March 15, 2007, at a cost of	35
36		\$320.00 for transportation.	36
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38	IST-04-01/07	Band trip update.	38
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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.