



FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes
Board Room
March 19, 2014

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2		I.	The March 19, 2014 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. Meekins at 6:02 p.m.	2
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6		II.	Pledge of Allegiance	6
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9			Notice was given that the Meeting of the Ferndale Area School Board conducted in the Board Room will be tape recorded and entry constitutes consent to the taping of any individual who comments. Please turn off or silence all electronic devices and refrain from use during the meeting.	9
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13		III.	Roll Call: Present: Melissa Garman, Dale Harrison, Wayne Meekins, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson, and Patricia Wilson. Absent: Susan Boyle and Sandra Chobany.	13
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17			Student Board Representatives: Devon Valinsky. Absent: Taylor Harrison.	17
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20			Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, John Kowal; Brian McDermott, William Brotz, Administrators; Attorney David Novak, Solicitor; Susan Layton, Teacher; Judith Virgin, School Nurse; Tara Barbaric, Brianna Jeschanek, Vincent Reynolds, Isaiah Sajatovich, Katie Saylor, Sam Sheeran, Aaron Walters, Students; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.	20
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27		IV.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association	27
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29		V.	Committees Agenda	29
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33		BD-46-03/14	Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve the March 19, 2014 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-47-03/14 through W-15-03/14).	33
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37		BD-47-03/14	Approve the Minutes of the February 19, 2014 Board Meeting, as presented.	37
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BG-17-03/14

Approve the request of the Ferndale Baseball Little League (Responsible Officer Anthony Cenko) to use the baseball field, softball field, and concession stand for youth baseball games and practices from April 1, 2014 through August 1, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to dark on weekdays and 10:00 a.m. to dark on weekends, providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)

IE-39-03/14

The following have been assigned as a pre-student teacher (UPJ) in the Ferndale Area Elementary School from February 3, 2014 through April 11, 2014:

Pre-Student Teacher

Cooperating Teacher

Kaylee Dayton

Laura Miller

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F-22-03/14

Approve the February Treasurer's Report, as presented.

F-23-03/14

Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.

IF-21-03/14

Receipts and disbursements.

P-48-03/14

Approve the Shelly Morris to the substitute teachers' list.

ST-55-03/14

The Spanish Club attendance at El Jalisoc Mexican Restaurant on March 13, 2014 in Richland. Cost: Transportation: \$91.57. (Paid by Spanish Club)

W-15-03/14

Wayne Meekins, William Brotz, Robert Boyle, *Mass Customized Learning Presentation* on March 13, 2014 in Altoona. Cost: Registration for each: \$100.00. (Paid by District)

Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

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BD-48-03/14

Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve, as read, the Second Reading of the following policies and adopt said policies:

- Revised Policy 220 Student Expression/Distribution And Posting of Materials
- Revised Policy 913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

IBD-29-03/14

Distribution of the 2014 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Board Ballot for the election of Board of Directors.

IBD-30-03/14

Project 17/20 Update, Mindset Chapters 1-3. Assignment: Chapters 4, 5 for April 16, 2014 Board Meeting.

2. Buildings and Grounds

None.

3. Cafeteria

None.

4. Education

E-09-03/14

Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve Ferndale Area School District participation in the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Grant Consortium for a three-year period. Cost Year 1 is \$750.00, cost Year 2 is \$1,500, cost Year 3 is \$1,500. Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

IE-40-03/14

Education Spotlight - postponed.

IE-41-03/14

Highlights of the Joint Operating Committee - Sandra Chobany/Stephen Thompson

IE-42-03/14

- Highlights
- Elementary - William Brotz
 - High School - Brian McDermott/Robert Boyle

IE-43-03/14

Student Board Representatives Report.

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5. Finance

F-24-03/14 Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve the 2014-2015 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 General Fund Budget. Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

F-25-03/14 Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to approve the tentatively adopted 2014-2015 Greater Johnstown Area Career and Technology Center/AVTS Joint Operating Committee General Fund Secondary Budget. Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

F-26-03/14 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve Kirsten Majercsik as Assessor for Dale Borough. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

An Executive Session was held at 6:52 p.m. for personnel. The Executive Session ended at 7:30 p.m.

6. Personnel

P-49-03/14 Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to amend the agenda and add post and/or advertise for a Special Education Secretary at 28.75 hours per week for 12 months per year. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

P-50-03/14 Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to post and/or advertise for a Special Education Secretary at 28.75 hours per week for 12 months per year. Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

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7. Student Activities

ST-56-03/14

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to post and/or advertise the following coaches for the 2014-2015 school year (posted annually on April 1);

- Head Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach
- Assistant Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach
- Head Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach
- Assistant Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach
- Head Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach
- Assistant Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach
- Head Varsity Cheerleader Advisor
- Head Junior High Cheerleader Advisor

Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

ST-57-03/14

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve ST-57-03/14 through ST-71-03/14.

Approve the K4 students field trip to Jaffa Shrine Circus in Altoona on April 15, 2014. Cost: \$501.00. (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-58-03/14

Approve the Kindergarten students field trip to Johnstown Children's Museum/Richland Lanes on May 23, 2014. Cost: \$498.25. (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-59-03/14

Approve the First Grade students field trip to Cresson Lake Theatre/Farandas Farms on May 16, 2014. Cost: \$852.00. (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-60-03/14

Approve the Second Grade students field trip to Disaster's Edge in South Fork on May 30, 2014. Cost: \$279.00. (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

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ST-61-03/14

Approve the Third Grade students field trip to Somerset Historical Center on May 15, 2014. Cost: \$570.00 (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-62-03/14

Approve the Fourth Grade students field trip to Johnstown Flood Museum and The Discovery Center on May 19, 2014. Cost: \$395.60. (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-63-03/14

Approve the Fifth Grade students field trip to Fort Ligonier on May 21, 2014. Cost: \$480.00. (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account and Somerset Trust) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-64-03/14

Approve the Fifth Grade students field trip to Penn Highlands for One Book on May 13, 2014. Cost: \$198.00. School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-65-03/14

Approve the Fifth Grade students field trip to Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center on April 15, 2014. Cost: \$190.00. School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-66-03/14

Approve the Sixth Grade students field trip to Cresson Lake Playhouse/The Ranger Ice Cream Shop on May 9, 2014. Cost: \$864.50. (Paid by Elementary Field Trip Account) School Nurse: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

ST-67-03/14

Approve the Interior Design/Technology Education class field trip to Fallingwater on May 5, 2014. Cost: Individual Student: \$32.00. (Paid by Students) Substitutes: \$160.00. (Paid by District)

ST-68-03/14

Approve 12th grade English Class (approximately 40 students)field trip to Penn Highlands on March 25, 2014 for a presentation from Eva Olson, Holocaust Survivor. Cost: Transportation: \$91.57. (Paid by District)

ST-69-03/14

Approve ten students attendance at the SuperConference at Mount Aloysius College on May 7, 2014. Cost: Registration: \$100.00. Transportation: \$225.00. (Paid by Activities Account)

ST-70-03/14

Approve the Class of 2014 field trip to Hersheypark on May 22, 2014. Cost: Individual Student: \$55.00 each. (Paid by Students) Substitutes: \$160.00. (Paid by District)

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ST-71-03/14

Approve the Advanced Foods class field trip to Pittsburgh Strip District on May 28, 2014. Cost: Individual Student: \$56.00. (Paid by Students) Substitute: \$80.00. (Paid by District)

Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

ST-72-03/14

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to preliminary approve the Spanish students field trip to Spain, June 16, 2015 through June 24, 2015, at an approximate cost of \$3,405 per student, (Gwen Gaviola, Spanish Teacher). Expenses paid through fundraisers and individual students. No cost to District. Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

8. Workshops/Conferences

Mrs. Wilson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve the following workshops/conferences:

W-16-03/14

Irene Olson (1), *Autism, ADHD, Dyslexia & Right-Brain Thinkers* on April 15, 2014 in Johnstown. Cost: Registration for each: \$179.00. Substitute: \$80.00. (Paid by Title II)

Record vote for the motion: Garman, Harrison, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: Boyle and Chobany. The motion carried.

The April Board Meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. All were in favor.