



FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Board Room  
September 12, 2017

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2	I.	The September 12, 2017 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 6:01 p.m.	2
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6	II.	Pledge of Allegiance	6
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8	III.	Moment of Contemplation	8
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10		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 turn off or silence all electronic devices and refrain from use during the meeting.	10
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15		Policy No. 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings is posted on the bulletin board in the Board Room.	15
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18	IV.	Roll Call: Present: Susan Boyle, Sandra Chobany, Melissa Garman, Joshua Hyland, Wayne Meekins, Jason Moschgat, Richard Pavic, Stephen Thompson and Patricia Wilson. Absent: None.	18
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22		Student Board Representative: Matthew Clawson.	22
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24		Others in attendance were Carole Kakabar, William Brotz, David Gates, Rachelle Hrabosky, Molly O’Neil, Travis Robison, Administrators; Attorney James Walsh, Solicitor; Janice Koontz, Judith Virgin, Jill Vuckovich, FAEA; Stephen Clawson, Athletic Director, Nate Barrett, Student; Patricia Craig, Recording Secretary.	24
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30	V.	Hearing of Citizens/Ferndale Area Education Association	30
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32	IBD-07A-09/17	Janice Koontz, FAEA, addressed the Board regarding teacher involvement with the Master Schedule.	32
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35	VI.	Committees Agenda	35
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37	IBD-08-09/17	Student Board Representatives for the 2017-2018 school year: Matthew Clawson, Grade 12. A Grade 11 student will be appointed for the October 18, 2017 Board Meeting.	37
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1. Board

IBD-09-09/17

An Endowment/Fund-Raising Presentation was held at 5:00 p.m. on September 12, 2017 in the Board Room. The presenters were representatives from the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies.

BD-03-09/17

Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve the September 12, 2017 Board Meeting Consent Agenda items (BD-04-09/17 through W-03-09/17).

BD-04-09/17

Approve the Minutes of the August 16, 2017 Board Meeting, as presented.

BG-05-09/17

Approve the following bus drivers for Mlaker Transportation, Inc. for the 2017-2018 school year:

Susan Ankney	Michael Orr
Dean Hinton	Charles Sanford
Keegan Hostetler	Bernadette Williams

BG-06-09/17

Approve the request of the “Ferndale Borough Recreation,” Responsible Officer Owen Hofecker III, to use the Elementary Gymnasium for elementary basketball for girls and boys in grades K-6, September 14, 2017 to May 26, 2018, Tuesday and Thursdays, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., for practices, learning skills and pick up games to teach game skills; providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)

BG-07-09/17

Approve the request of the “Junior Jackets Cheerleaders,” Responsible Officer Tiffany Craig, to use PA/Sound System at the football field on September 17, 2017, October 1, 2017, and October 22, 2017, to play the national anthem and announce the participants for home games for Junior Jackets football, providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)

E-09-09/17

Approve a Cooperative Agreement between Penn Highlands Community College and Ferndale Area School District for participation in the College In High School Program for the 2017-2018 school year.

E-10-09/17

Approve a Cooperative Agreement between Saint Francis University and Ferndale Area School District for participation in the College In High School Program for the 2017-2018 school year.

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E-11-09/17

Approve a Cooperative Agreement between Mount Aloysius College and Ferndale Area School District for participation in the College In High School Program for the 2017-2018 school year.

E-12-09/17

Approve Dual Enrollment classes to be offered the 2017-2018 school year:

Penn Highlands Community College:

- US Government (Ronald Jones)  
*GOV 100, Introduction to American National Government* (3 credits)
- Psychology (Daniel Endler)  
*PSY 100, Psychology* (3 credits)
- Sociology (Daniel Endler)  
*SOC 100, Introduction to Sociology* (3 credits)
- Advanced Algebra/Trigonometry (Marsha Baumbaugh)  
*MAT 131, Intermediate Algebra* (3 credits)
- Calculus (Marsha Baumbaugh)  
*MAT 170, Precalculus* (3 credits)
- Micro-Computer Applications (Matthew Claar)  
*CIT 100, Micro-Computer Apps* (3 credits)
- Accounting I (Matthew Claar)  
*ACC 100, Intro to Accounting* (3 credits)
- Accounting II (Matthew Claar)  
*ACC 110, Principles of Accounting* (3 credits)

Saint Francis University:

- Anatomy & Physiology (Jenna Ricci-Dykes)  
*BIOL 105, Human Anatomy & Physiology* (3 credits)
- Probability & Statistics (Marsha Baumbaugh)  
*STAT 101, Statistics I* (3 credits)
- Calculus (Marsha Baumbaugh)  
*MATH 112, Calculus Math* (3 credits)
- Advanced Chemistry (Janice Koontz)  
*CHEM 113, Human Chemistry I* (4 credits)

Mount Aloysius:

- Calculus (Marsha Baumbaugh) -  
*CM 112, College Algebra* (3 credits)
- Advanced Chemistry (Janice Koontz) -  
*CH101, Chemistry* (4 credits)
- Anatomy & Physiology (Jenna Ricci-Dykes) -  
*BL 201, Anatomy & Physiology* (4 credits)

IE-10-09/17

Acknowledge and offer a thank you to Kongsberg Defense Corporation for donating three televisions to the District.

1	F-04-09/17	Approve the August Treasurer’s Report, as presented.	1
2	F-05-09/17	Approve the General Fund and Cafeteria Bills, as presented.	2
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4	F-06-09/17	Approve the continuation of an Agreement with Alternative Community	4
5		Resource Program, Inc. to provide services for Ferndale Area School	5
6		District students with Socially/Emotionally Disturbed (SED) issues for	6
7		the 2017-2018 school year.	7
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9	F-07-09/17	Approve the continuation of an Agreement with Alternative Community	9
10		Resource Program, Inc. to provide services for Ferndale Area School	10
11		District special education students diagnosed with Autism Spectrum	11
12		Disorders (ASD) or other disorders for the 2017-2018 school year.	12
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14	F-08-09/17	Approve the continuation of an Agreement with the Alternative	14
15		Community Resource Program, Inc. to provide educational and	15
16		counseling services for disruptive youth for the 2017-2018 school year.	16
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18	IF-05-09/17	Received a letter from the PDE advising the status of Ferndale Area	18
19		School District’s compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities	19
20		Education Act (IDEA). On June 28, 2017, PDE was notified by the	20
21		Federal Office of Special Education Programs that Pennsylvania has	21
22		received the determination of “meets requirements” for federal fiscal year	22
23		2015. Pennsylvania also received the “meets requirements”	23
24		determination for ten of the eleven years that the USDE has been issuing	24
25		its determinations. Determinations are based on the LEA’s performance	25
26		for FY 2015. Based on this review, the PDE has determined that Ferndale	26
27		Area School District “meets requirements” of Part B of the IDEA.	27
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29	IF-06-09/17	Receipts and disbursements.	29
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31	P-15-09/17	Approve Margaret Berdine, Caitlin Carroll, Karen Conrad, Mindie	31
32		Cunningham, Brittany Eisenhuth, Ralph Morbit, Mary Pfeil, Gwendolyn	32
33		Schwab, Jennifer Wolfe to the substitute teachers list.	33
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35	IP-05-09/17	The following were appointed as Elementary AmeriCorps workers	35
36		beginning August 24, 2017 and ending June 15, 2018:	36
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38		-- Haylie Homway	38
39		-- Alexis Schiffhauer	39
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42	IST-01-09/17	40 students (Juniors/Seniors) attended the Cambria County College Fair	42
43		at the Pasquerilla Center on September 12, 2017. Cost: Transportation:	43
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ST-09-09/17

Approve the Spanish 2 Class (8 students) field trip to El Jalisco Restaurant in Richland on October 13, 2017. No cost to District.

ST-10-09/17

Approve 12 students attendance at the Youth Leadership Conference on October 19, 2017 at the Pasquerilla Conference Center in Johnstown. Transportation: \$100.00. (District)

W-02-09/17

Kimberly Becker, K4 Aide, attended the following summer professional development workshops at the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8:

-- *Increasing Literacy Achievement Using Active Participation Techniques* on July 11, 2017; Registration: \$50.00. (Title II)

-- *Disciplinary Literacy: Strategies for Increasing Reading Comprehension* on July 12, 2017; Registration: \$50.00. (Title II)

-- *Using Picture Books in the Intermediate Unit Math Classroom* on July 13, 2017; Registration: \$25.00. (Title II)

-- *Introduction to Cooperative Learning: The Basics with Strategies and Activities Grades K-12* on August 3, 2017; Registration: \$25.00. (Title II)

W-03-09/17

Elaine Metzler, Title I Aide, attended the summer professional development workshops at the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8:

-- *Increasing Literacy Achievement Using Active Participation Techniques* on July 11, 2017; Registration: \$50.00. (Title II)

-- *Disciplinary Literacy: Strategies for Increasing Reading Comprehension* on July 12, 2017; Registration: \$50.00. (Title II)

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

IBD-10-09/17

Voting of PSBA candidates for the Offices of President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Central At Large, PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees. (Melissa Garman)

IBD-11-09/17

PASA-PSBA School Leadership Conference on October 18 - 20, 2017 will not be attended by a Ferndale Area School District School Board Representative.

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2. Student Activities

IST-02-09/17 Update on band uniform purchase initiative - Carole Kakabar.

IST-03-09/17 Note: David Horvath was approved as a Volunteer Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach at the August 16, 2017 Board Meeting.

ST-15-09/17 Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve the following volunteers for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Nathan Davidson, Volunteer Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach
- Karl Hofmann, Volunteer Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach
- Daun Boyle, Band Volunteer
- Patricia Rhodes, Band Volunteer
- Louise Norman, Band Volunteer

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

IST-04-09/17 Junior Jackets Cheerleaders request for use of the concession stand - Carole Kakabar.

3. Buildings and Grounds

BG-08-09/17 Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland to amend the agenda and revise BG-07-09/17 as follows:

Approve the request of the "Junior Jackets Cheerleaders," Responsible Officer Tiffany Craig, to use PA/Sound System at the football field on September 17, 2017, October 1, 2017, and October 22, 2017, to play the national anthem and announce the participants for home games for Junior Jackets football, and use the concession stand on September 17, 2017, October 1, 2017, and October 22, 2017 with limitations to be included in the letter sent to the Junior Jackets Cheerleaders, providing that no conflicts occur with District programs. (Received insurance and completed use of facilities form certifying compliance with clearance requirements.)

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

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BG-09-09/17

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4. Cafeteria

None.

5. Education

E-13-09/17

Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve an agreement between Somerset Area School District and Ferndale Area School District for Emotional Support Classroom services for the 2017-2018 school year. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

IE-11-09/17

Beginning of Year Report/Highlights

- Elementary - Rachelle Hrabosky
- High School - Travis Robison/Molly O’Neil

6. Finance

F-09-09/17

Mrs. Chobany made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve creation of a Sub Fund of the FASD Endowment Fund (300) through the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies for the purpose of band uniform fund-raising. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

7. Personnel

The Board went into an Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to for personnel. The Executive Session ended at 9:00 p.m.

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Approve the following coaches for 2017-2018 school year (Carole Kakabar, Stephen Clawson):

ST-11-09/17

Mr. Moschgat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve Raymond Peel, Head Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach, at a salary of \$2,837.25 for a 13-week season. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

ST-12-09/17

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pavic, to approve Chad Eisenhuth, Assistant Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach, at a salary of \$1,706.25 for a 13-week season. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

ST-13-09/17

Mr. Moschgat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve Matthew Claar, Head Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach, at a salary of \$2,252.25 for a 13-week season. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

ST-14-09/17

Mr. Hyland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moschgat, to approve Garrett Harrison, Assistant Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach, at a salary of \$1,589.25 for a 13-week season. Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

IP-06-09/17

Employee #16179316 will be on an Family Medical Leave August 17, 2017 through November 13, 2017.

P-16-09/17

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Chobany, to approve Brittany Eisenhuth as a long-term Substitute Elementary Teacher, at a rate of \$100.00 per day worked, from August 22, 2017 through approximately November 13, 2017. (Employee #16179316 on a leave of absence.) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

IP-07-09/17

Employee #16170313 will be on an Family Medical Leave October 18, 2017 through approximately January 25, 2018.



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P-17-09/17

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve Jennifer Wolfe as a long-term Substitute Elementary Teacher, at a rate of \$100.00 per day worked, from August 21, 2017 through approximately January 25, 2018. (Employee #16170313 on a leave of absence/Family Medical Leave August 17, 2017 through approximately January 25, 2018.) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

P-18-09/17

Mrs. Garman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to approve Caitlin Carroll as a long-term Substitute Elementary Teacher, at a rate of \$100.00 per day worked, from September 15, 2017 through February 22, 2018. (Employee #17181246 on a Family Medical Leave.) Record vote for the motion: Boyle, Chobany, Garman, Hyland, Meekins, Moschgat, Pavic, Thompson, and Wilson. Against the motion: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

P-19-09/17

Mr. Pavic made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garman, to approve the following extra pay for extra duty positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

Chelsea Chobany, Assistant Band Director  
 Chelsea Chobany, Color Guard Advisor

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

9. Workshops/Conferences

None.

The October Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hyland, to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m. All were in favor.