

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Directors Fort Cherry School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Fort Cherry School District was held Monday, February 10, 2025, beginning with Executive Session at 7:00 PM, with the Special Meeting at 7:30 PM via Zoom electronic meeting/held in the Learning Commons at the High School located at 110 Fort Cherry Road, McDonald, PA 15057.

The following members were present:

Mrs. Jodi McKay	Mrs. Jeanine Miles
Ms. Amanda Herforth	Mrs. Leslie Maxin
Mrs. Julie Sepesy	Ms. Beverly Schwab
Mr. Chase Ogburn	Mrs. Cynthia Gaskill
Mr. Paul Bianchini	

The following members were excused/absent:
none

The following non-members were present:

Mr. Thomas Samosky, Superintendent
Mrs. Mary Burford, Business Manager
Mrs. Renee' Miller, Assistant Business Manager
Mrs. Pam Staley, Board Secretary
Ms. Amy Shrempf, Solicitor, Andrews and Price

The following community members were present:

List of all members that attended in person and via virtual session will be filed with official Board minutes

I. Executive Session (7:00 PM)

Executive Session was held starting at 7:00 PM. Personnel, student matters and litigation were discussed.

II. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

By Whom: President McKay

Time: 7:40 PM

III. Approval of Agenda – Special Meeting of February 10, 2025 excluding item VI. A.

1st: Mrs. Sepesy

2nd: Mr. Ogburn

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ogburn, to approve the agenda of the Special Meeting of February 10, 2025, excluding item VI. A. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

IV. Remarks by Visitors

(As per Fort Cherry School District Policy for Conducting Meetings of the Board of School Directors)

none

V. Personnel and Curriculum

A. Acknowledge the maternity/FMLA leave for professional employee #2024-25-04, effective, tentatively, April 7, 2025.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the maternity/FMLA leave for professional employee #2024-25-04, effective, tentatively, April 7, 2025.

VI. Buildings and Grounds

A. ~~Action on the approval to award the Stadium and Track Renovations bid to _____ in the amount of \$_____.~~

Item VI. A. was removed from the agenda when agenda was approved.

B. Action on the approval to reject all bids received for the Fort Cherry School District Stadium and Track Renovations and to direct the Administration to rebid the project with modifications as directed.

1st: Mrs. Sepesy

2nd: Mrs. Miles

Motion: 8-1

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve reject all bids received for the Fort Cherry School District Stadium and Track Renovations and to direct the Administration to rebid the project with modifications as directed. Motion passed, 8-1 with Ms. Schwab voting in opposition.

- C. Action on the approval to purchase office furniture from P.E.M.Co. for \$3,033.00 per the attached quote.

1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Ms. Herforth Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve to purchase office furniture from P.E.M.Co. for \$3,033.00 per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- D. Action on the approval to seek bids for the District-Wide concrete repair project.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to approve to seek bids for the District-Wide concrete repair project. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- E. Action on the approval to seek bids for the District-Wide LED lighting project.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Ms. Herforth Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve to seek bids for the District-Wide LED lighting project. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- F. Action on the approval to purchase an AED from Cardiac Life in the amount of \$1,489.69 to be funded by a grant from Range Resources.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to purchase an AED from Cardiac Life in the amount of \$1,489.69 to be funded by a grant from Range Resources. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

VII. Transportation

none

VIII. Finance

- A. Action on the approval of a three (3) year agreement with Hickory Telephone Company for the District's internet service provider, at an annual cost of \$9,540.00 with a Category 1 discount of 80%, pending Solicitor review and approval. This includes a 10 GB bandwidth.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to approve a three (3) year agreement with Hickory Telephone Company for the District's internet service provider, at an annual cost of \$9,540.00 with a Category 1 discount of 80%, pending Solicitor review and approval. This includes a 10 GB bandwidth. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

IX. Technology

- A. Action on the approval to purchase video door units for Fort Cherry High School, Fort Cherry Elementary Center, and Fort Cherry School District Central Office from Full Service Network in the amount of \$5,744.37, with funds to come from the PCCD School Safety Grant per the attached quote.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Miles Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve to purchase video door units for Fort Cherry High School, Fort Cherry Elementary Center, and Fort Cherry School District Central Office from Full Service Network in the amount of \$5,744.37, with funds to come from the PCCD School Safety Grant per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval to purchase a 2-year license for school safety and visitor management software in the amount of \$4,728.54, with the funds to come from the PCCD School Safety Grant per the attached quote.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Miles Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve to purchase a 2-year license for school safety and visitor management software in the amount of \$4,728.54, with the funds to come from the PCCD School Safety Grant per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

X. Athletics

Motion to combine and approve Athletics Items X. A. through C.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Ms. Herforth Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to combine and approve Athletics Items X. A – C as a group. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- A. Action on the approval for the District to contribute \$100.00 per football player toward Championship rings, with the balance to be paid by boosters or parents.

- B. Action on the approval for the District to contribute \$100.00 per cheer participant toward Championship rings, or equivalent, with the balance to be paid by boosters or parents.
- C. Action on the approval for the District to contribute \$100.00 per band participant toward Championship rings, or equivalent, with the balance to be paid by boosters or parents.

XI. Activities

None

XII. Policy

- A. Action on the approval of the second reading and adoption of Policy 204 - Attendance
1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Ms. Herforth Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to the second reading and adoption of Policy 204 – Attendance. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XIII. Miscellaneous

- A. Action on the approval of the Intermediate Unit 1 Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.
1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Miles Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve the Intermediate Unit 1 Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Roll call was performed and all Directors voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XIV. Public Comment

(As per Fort Cherry School District Policy for Conducting Meetings of the Board of School Directors)

none

XV. Executive Session

none

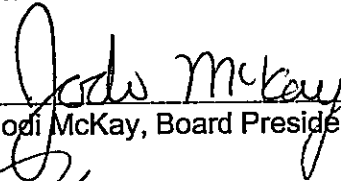
XVI. Adjournment

1st: Ms. Schwab

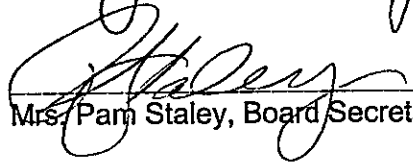
2nd: Mrs. Maxin

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, that the Board approve the adjournment of the Special Meeting of February 10, 2025. Motion passed, 9-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM. The meeting adjourned to Executive Session where personnel matters were discussed.



Mrs. Jodi McKay, Board President



Mrs. Pam Staley, Board Secretary