

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, April 22, 2024, beginning with Executive Session at 6:00 PM, with the Regular Meeting at 7:00 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	Mr. Chase Ogburn
Mrs. Cynthia Gaskill	Mrs. Jeanine Miles
Mrs. Julie Sepesy	Ms. Beverly Schwab
Mrs. Leslie Maxin	Ms. Amanda Herforth
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. Pam Staley, Board Secretary
Mr. Casey Rankin, 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. **Learning Resource Committee** – Dr. Trisha Craig discussed the new resource, Conservation Science taught by Dr. Willyerd
Athletics and Wellness Committee – Mr. Thomas Scarpone answered any questions
- II. **Executive Session** (6:00pm)

Executive Session was held starting at 6:00 pm. Executive session items discussed were personnel, safety and programs.

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

By Whom: President McKay

Time: 7:05 pm

IV. Approval of Agenda – Regular Meeting of April 22, 2024

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Miles

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting of April 22, 2024. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

V. Remarks by Visitors

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

none

VI. Presentations

A. Pupil Services – Dr. Eric Lauver

B. Technology – Mr. Peter Speakman

Both Dr. Lauver and Mr. Speakman covered progress made this year and the goals for the next year. Copies of the presentation are posted on the website and a copy is filed with the Board documents.

VII. Action on the approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of March 25, 2024.

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Ms. Herforth

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2024. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

VIII. Secretary's Correspondence

none

IX. Treasurer's Actions

A. Action on the approval of Bills for Payment

1st: Mrs. Gaskill

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, that the Board approve the Bills for Payment. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

B. Action on the approval of the Treasurer's Report Account Summaries

1st: Mrs. Gaskill

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, that the Board approve the Treasurer's Report Account Summaries. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

C. Action on the approval of the Budget Control Reports

1st: Mrs. Gaskill

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, that the Board approve the Budget Control Reports. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

X. Reports

A. Board Reports

None

B. Solicitor's Report

No Solicitor's Report

C. Superintendents Report

The Superintendent's Report is attached and has been made part of the official minutes. The report is also posted on the website. Mr. Samosky began by thanking the Lions Club for touring the Fort Cherry Horticulture program and the Freight Farm. He also thanks Dr. Willyerd on her extra time and efforts with this program.

The Flight School has 57 students signed up. There is a lot of excitement around this program. It is very exciting and Mr. Parson has done a great job.

XI. Personnel and Curriculum

A. Action on the approval to hire Mrs. Hannah Gigler, special education teacher, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining agreement, Masters Step 1 salary, effective at the start of the 2024–25 school year, contingent upon the receipt and final review of any and all new hire paperwork.

1st: Mrs. Sepesy

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to approve to hire Mrs. Hannah Gigler, special education teacher, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining agreement, Masters Step 1 salary, effective at the start of the 2024–25 school year, contingent upon the receipt and final review of any and all new hire paperwork. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval to hire Ms. Jacelyn Alberts as National Honor Society sponsor per the FCEA Collective Bargaining agreement effective April 15, 2024.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approval Ms. Jacelyn Alberts as National Honor Society sponsor per the FCEA Collective Bargaining agreement effective April 15, 2024. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- C. Acknowledge the resignation of Ms. Lauren Shoup, Special Education Teacher, Junior High Student Council sponsor, and Junior Class sponsor, effective June 30, 2024.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the resignation of Ms. Lauren Shoup, Special Education teacher, and thanked her for her service.

- D. Action on the approval of the Department and Grade Level Facilitator Job Description as attached.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Gaskill, that the Board approve the Department and Grade Level Facilitator Job Description as attached. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XII. Buildings and Grounds

- A. Action on the approval of a five (5) year generator service and maintenance contract with Cummins Sales and Service for a total of \$8,173.20 per the attached quote.

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

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to approve a five (5) year generator service and maintenance contract with Cummins Sales and Service for a total of \$8,173.20 per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval to install emergency power for panel K-1 in the Elementary Center walk-in cooler and freezer by Bozic, Inc. for \$5,565.00 per the attached quote.

1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Ms. Herforth Motion: 8-0-1

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve the installation of emergency power for panel K-1 in the Elementary Center walk-in cooler and freezer by Bozic, Inc. for \$5,565.00

per the attached quote. Ms. Schwab abstained due to a conflict as she works for Bozic, Inc. Motion passed, 8-0-1.

- C. Action on the approval to replace the High School gymnasium bleachers with H2I Group Inc. per the attached layout and quote for \$144,850.00.
1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Ms. Schwab Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to replace the High School gymnasium bleachers with H2I Group Inc. per the attached layout and quote for \$144,850.00. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- D. Action on the approval to purchase security cameras and installation from Siemens Industry, Inc. at a cost of \$85,554.00 per the attached quote.
1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Ms. Herforth Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve the purchase of security cameras and installation from Siemens Industry, Inc. at a cost of \$85,554.00 per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- E. Action on the approval to hire Printscape Imaging and Graphics to install new vinyl safety window coverings on the High School and Administration offices for \$10,824.00, per the attached quotes.
1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to hire Printscape Imaging and Graphics to install new vinyl safety window coverings on the High School and Administration offices for \$10,824.00, per the attached quotes. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XIII. Transportation

none

XIV. Finance

none

XV. Technology

- A. Action on the approval to renew Kami for the 2024-25 school year at a cost of \$3,045.00 per the attached quote and agreement with the Intermediate Unit 1.
1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Ms. Herforth Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to renew Kami for the 2024-25 school year at a cost of \$3,045.00 per the attached quote and agreement with the Intermediate Unit 1. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XVI. Athletics

none

XVII. Activities

- A. Acknowledge the resignation of Ms. Heather Rohaley, Junior High School Cheerleading Coach, effective April 30, 2024.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the resignation of Ms. Heather Rohaley, effective April 30, 2024 and thanked her for her contributions to the Junior High Cheerleading squad.

- B. Action on the approval to hire Mrs. Ashlei Washinski as the Junior High Cheerleading Coach per the FCEA Collective Bargaining agreement, effective May 1, 2024, contingent upon the receipt and final review of any and all new hire paperwork.

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

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, that the Board to hire Mrs. Ashlei Washinski as the Junior High Cheerleading Coach per the FCEA Collective Bargaining agreement, effective May 1, 2024, contingent upon the receipt and final review of any and all new hire paperwork. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XVIII. Policy

none

XIX. Miscellaneous

- A. Action on the approval of a one-year renewal of Student Assistance Program (SAP) school-based services from the Bradley Center per the attached agreement.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to renew the Student Assistance Program (SAP) school-based services from the Bradley Center per the attached agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XX. Public Comment

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

none

XXI. Executive Session

none

XXII. Adjournment

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, that the Board approve the adjournment of the Regular Meeting of April 22, 2024. Motion passed, 9-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.



Mrs. Jodi McKay, Board President



Mrs. Pam Staley, Board Secretary