

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, June 24, 2024, beginning with a Buildings and Grounds Presentation at 5:30 PM, 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. Paul Bianchini
Mrs. Cynthia Gaskill	Mrs. Jeanine Miles
Mrs. Julie Sepesy	Ms. Beverly Schwab
Mrs. Leslie Maxin	Ms. Amanda Herforth

The following members were excused/absent:

Mr. Chase Ogburn

The following non-members were present:

Mr. Thomas Samosky, Superintendent
Mrs. Mary Burford, Business Manager
Mr. Salvatore Bittner, 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. **Presentation (5:30 PM) - McKinley Architecture and Engineering**
- II. **Executive Session (6:00pm)**

Executive Session was held starting at 6:00 pm. Officer David Buchowski gave the School Safety and Security Presentation. This information is not public to protect the safety of our students and staff.

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

By Whom: President McKay

Time: 7:07 pm

IV. Approval of Agenda – Regular Meeting of June 24, 2024

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Maxin

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, to approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting of June 24, 2024. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

V. Remarks by Visitors

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

none

VI. Action on the approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of May 20, 2024.

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Gaskill

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Gaskill, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 20, 2024. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

VII. Secretary's Correspondence

none

VIII. Treasurer's Actions

A. Action on the approval of Bills for Payment

1st: Mrs. Gaskill

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, that the Board approve the Bills for Payment. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

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

1st: Mrs. Gaskill

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, that the Board approve the Treasurer's Report Account Summaries. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

C. Action on the approval of the Budget Control Reports

1st: Mrs. Gaskill

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, that the Board approve the Budget Control Reports. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

IX. 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.

X. Personnel and Curriculum

A. Action on the approval to create a Full-Time 1:1 Instructional Paraprofessional position.

1st: Mrs. Gaskill 2nd: Ms. Schwab Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, that the Board approve to create a Full-Time 1:1 Instructional Paraprofessional position. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

B. Acknowledge the retirement of Officer David Buchowski, District Police Officer, effective June 30, 2024.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged Officer David Buchowski's retirement and thanked him for his many years of dedicated service.

C. Action on the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Fort Cherry School District and Mount Pleasant Township to provide a Police School Resource Officer for the District effective July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027, per the attached.

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

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Fort Cherry School District and Mount Pleasant Township to provide a Police School Resource Officer for the District effective July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027, per the attached. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

D. Action on the approval of the Project Manager Job Description as attached.

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Ms. Herforth

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve the Project Manager Job Description as attached. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- E. Action on the approval to advertise for the Project Manager position as attached.

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Ms. Herforth

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve to advertise for the Project Manager position as attached. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- F. Action on the approval of the 1-year renewal of online professional development modules for paraprofessional staff to meet state-required training hours in the amount of \$924.00 per the attached quote.

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Miles

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve the 1-year renewal of online professional development modules for paraprofessional staff to meet state-required training hours in the amount of \$924.00 per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- G. Action on the approval of the employment agreement with Mrs. Sally Cowden, Food Service Manager, as attached.

Motion to Table

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Maxin

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, to table the employment agreement with Mrs. Sally Cowden until the July 22, 2024 meeting. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0

- H. Acknowledge the resignation of Mrs. Sierra McKee, professional employee, effective July 1, 2024.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the resignation of Mrs. Sierra McKee and wished her well.

- I. Acknowledge the resignation of Mrs. Jodie Kioalicas, Professional Employee, effective June 24, 2024.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the resignation of Mrs. Jodie Kioalicas and thanked her for her years of service.

- J. Action on the approval of the Fort Cherry School District Administrative Retirement Incentive as attached.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mr. Bianchini Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Bianchini, to approve the Fort Cherry School District Administrative Retirement Incentive as attached. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

XI. Buildings and Grounds

- A. Action on the approval for Bruno Plumbing and Heating, Inc. to replace the High School circulating pumps and mixing valves for \$17,870.00, per the attached quote.

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

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to approve Bruno Plumbing and Heating, Inc. to replace the High School circulating pumps and mixing valves for \$17,870.00, per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- B. Action on the approval to purchase an exterior security camera and installation from Siemens Industry, Inc. at a cost of \$3,250.00 per the attached quote.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve the purchase of an exterior security camera and installation from Siemens Industry, Inc. at a cost of \$3,250.00 per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

XII. Transportation

none

XIII. Finance

- A. Action on the approval to submit an application for the District to participate fully in the CEP program in all District schools for the 2024-2025 school year, and to authorize the Administration to take all actions necessary to complete and submit the application.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve to submit an application for the District to participate fully in the CEP program in all District schools for the 2024-2025 school year, and to authorize the Administration to take all actions necessary to complete and submit the application. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- B. Action on the approval of the adoption of the Total Tax Structure - Resolution No. 6 - 2024-06-24.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Miles Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve to adopt the Total Tax Structure - Resolution No. 6 - 2024-06-24. Roll call was taken. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- C. Action on the approval to adopt the 2024-2025 Budget and Setting of Real Estate Millage for the 2024-2025 fiscal year - Resolution No. 7 - 2024-06-24

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mr. Bianchini Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Bianchini, to approve to adopt the 2024-2025 Budget and Setting of Real Estate Millage for the 2024-2025 fiscal year - Resolution No. 7 - 2024-06-24. Roll call was taken. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- D. Action on the approval to adopt the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Act - Resolution No. 8 - 2024-06-24.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to approve to adopt the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Act - Resolution No. 8 - 2024-06-24. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

XIV. Technology

- A. Action on the approval to renew the Google Apps for Education account for one year at the amount of \$4,095.00 per the attached quote.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve to renew the Google Apps for Education account for one year at the amount of \$4,095.00 per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- B. Action on the approval to renew the district's technology asset management subscription for the upcoming school year at a cost of \$1,344.00, per the attached quote.

1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Gaskill Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Gaskill, to approve to renew the district's technology asset management subscription for the upcoming school year at a cost of \$1,344.00, per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- C. Action on the approval to purchase 15 new Chromebook tablets with cases and warranty coverage at a cost of \$7,816.35, per the attached quote. Purchase will be made with ESSER funds.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to approve to purchase 15 new Chromebook tablets with cases and warranty coverage at a cost of \$7,816.35, per the attached quote. Purchase will be made with ESSER funds. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- D. Action on the approval to renew software, server, and OS licenses for the 2024-2025 school year at a cost of \$6,348.00, per the attached quote.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve to renew software, server, and OS licenses for the 2024-2025 school year at a cost of \$6,348.00, per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- E. Action on the approval to purchase one access point with a five-year license for the stadium press box for \$728.00, per the attached quote.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Herforth, to approve to purchase one access point with a five-year license for the stadium press box for \$728.00, per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- F. Action on the approval to renew server warranty coverage for the 2024-2025 school year at a cost of \$3,526.00, per the attached quote.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to approve to renew server warranty coverage for the 2024-2025 school year at a cost of \$3,526.00, per the attached quote. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

XV. Athletics

- A. Action on the approval of a Lacrosse Cooperative Sports Service Agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Canon Mac School District which shall commence during the 2024-2025 school year.

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

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve the Lacrosse Cooperative Sports Service Agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Canon Mac School District which shall

commence during the 2024-2025 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- B. Acknowledge the resignation of Ms. Erin Garry, Assistant Girls' Wrestling Coach, effective May 18, 2024.

Mrs. McKay acknowledge the resignation of Ms. Erin Garry and thanked her for her time and dedication to our students.

- C. Acknowledge the resignation of Mr. Jim Brucker from the following coaching positions: 7/8 Girls' Basketball coach, 7/8 Boys' Basketball coach, and 7/8 Girls' Volleyball assistant coach.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the resignation of Mr. James Brucker from coaching and thanked him for his numerous years mentoring our students.

- D. Action on the approval to enter a High School Girls' Soccer Cooperative agreement with Washington High School. Washington High School would be the host school.

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to approve entering a High School Girls' Soccer Cooperative agreement with Washington High School. Washington High School would be the host school. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

XVI. Activities

- A. Acknowledge the resignation of Dr. David Narigon from the following positions: Fort Cherry Musical Technical Director, Drama Club Co-Sponsor, Christmas Musical Co-Director, and Sixth Grade Science Camp Director.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the resignation of Dr. David Narigon from his numerous activities at Fort Cherry and thanked him for his years of service.

XVII. Policy

- A. Acknowledge the second reading and adoption of Policy 626.1 - Travel Reimbursement - Federal Programs.

Mrs. McKay acknowledged the second reading and adoption of Policy 626.1 – Travel Reimbursement – Federal Programs.

XVIII. Miscellaneous

- A. Action on the approval of the student enrollment agreement between Wesley Schools and Fort Cherry School District as attached.
1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Ms. Schwab Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to approve the student enrollment agreement between Wesley Schools and Fort Cherry School District as attached. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- B. Action on the approval of an affiliation agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Carlow University.
1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Ms. Schwab Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to approve an affiliation agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Carlow University. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- C. Action on the approval of the ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan, in accordance with the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, noting there have been no changes or revisions.
1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, to approve the ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan, in accordance with the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, noting there have been no changes or revisions. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- D. Action on the approval to decline English as a Second Language (ESL) services provided by Intermediate Unit 1. ESL services will continue to be provided internally by District personnel.
1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Ms. Schwab Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab, to decline English as a Second Language (ESL) services provided by Intermediate Unit 1. ESL services will continue to be provided internally by District personnel. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

- E. Action on the approval of a Special Education Services Agreement one year contract between Fort Cherry School District and Avella Area School District for the 2024-2025 school year, subject to final review and approval of the District's Solicitor.
1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Miles Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles, to approve a Special Education Services Agreement one year contract between Fort Cherry School District and Avella Area School District for the

2024-2025 school year, subject to final review and approval of the District's Solicitor. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

XIX. Public Comment

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

none

XX. Executive Session

none

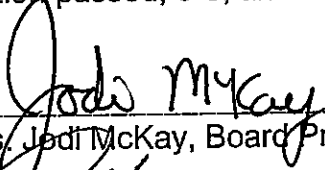
XXI. Adjournment

1st: Ms. Schwab

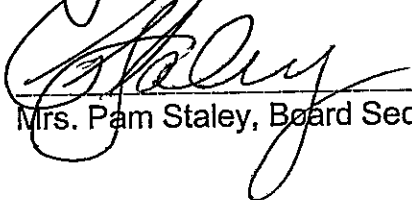
2nd: Mrs. Maxin

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, that the Board approve the adjournment of the Regular Meeting of June 24, 2024. Motion passed, 8-0, and the meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.



Mrs. Jodi McKay, Board President



Mrs. Pam Staley, Board Secretary