

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 27, 2020, beginning at 6:30 PM via Zoom electronic meeting.

The following members were present:

Mrs. Jodi McKay	Mr. Eugene Briggs
Mrs. Cynthia Gaskill	Mrs. Jeanine Miles
Mr. Louis Ursitz	Mrs. Julie Sepesy
Mrs. Dawn Fiori	Mrs. Beverly Schwab (Logged in at 7:10pm)
Mrs. Melinda Errett	

The following members were excused/absent:

None

The following non-members were present:

Dr. Jill M. Jacoby, Superintendent
Mrs. Jessica L. Drylie, Business Manager/Board Secretary
Mr. Russ Lucas, Solicitor, Andrews and Price
Mrs. Pam Staley, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

The following community members were present:

List of all members that attended virtual session will be filed with official Board minutes

I. **Executive Session (6:30pm)**

Executive Session was held starting at 6:30pm and ending at 6:53pm to discuss Personnel, Legal, and Collective Bargaining matters.

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

By Whom: President Miles

Time: 7:00pm

III. **Approval of Agenda - Regular Meeting of April 27, 2020**

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 8-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori to approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting of April 27, 2020. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

IV. Remarks by Visitors

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

None

V. Presentations

None

VI. Action on the approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of March 23, 2020

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

Mrs. Fiori made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 23, 2020. 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: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori 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: Mr. Ursitz Motion: 8-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz 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. Ursitz 2nd: Mrs. Gaskill Motion: 8-0

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

IX. Reports

A. Board Reports

None

B. Solicitor's Report

Mr. Lucas mentioned that the Board met in Executive Session at 6:30pm to discuss Personnel, Legal, and Collective Bargaining matters.

C. Superintendents Report

Dr. Jacoby reported that this coming Wednesday is the next Elementary packet drop off. FAQ's are going out to all parents/students and the communication is well received.

X. Personnel and Curriculum

A. Discussion on employees' personal and vacation days lost due to school closure

Dr. Jacoby began the discussion by explaining the contractual obligations that the District has and how each contract is different in regards to how many Personal and Vacation days employees can carry over into the next school year. She stated that the District is allowing the employees to carry these "lost" days into sick days. Mrs. Drylie reported that there is roughly 254 days that will be turned into sick days.

B. Acknowledge the maternity request from Professional Employee #1

President Miles acknowledged the maternity request from Professional Employee #1

C. Acknowledge the maternity request from Professional Employee #2

President Miles acknowledged the maternity request from Professional Employee #2

D. Action on the approval of summer work hours for educational purposes from June 15 to August 21, 2020:

1. Sr High Guidance: 150
2. Jr High Guidance: 150
3. Elem Guidance: 100
4. ESAP/IST: 40
5. Library: 180
6. Elem Nurse: 80
7. HS Nurse: 80

1st: Mrs. Fiori 2nd: Mr. Ursitz Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Fiori made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the summer work hours for educational purposes from June 15 to August 21, 2020:

1. Sr High Guidance: 150
2. Jr High Guidance: 150
3. Elem Guidance: 100
4. ESAP/IST: 40
5. Library: 180
6. Elem Nurse: 80
7. HS Nurse: 80.

Mrs. Sepesy asked if this is standard for these Professional Employees to receive these additional hours and Dr. Jacoby explained yes, they have summer work that needs done and is extended over the contracted 188 work days. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- E. Action on the approval of offering an Early Retirement Incentive to the Professional Employees' Collective Bargaining Unit

1st: Mrs. McKay 2nd: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mrs. McKay made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the offering of an Early Retirement Incentive to the Professional Employees' Collective Bargaining Unit. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- F. Action on the approval of the Parkway West Career and Technical Center's academic proposal

1st: Mrs. Fiori 2nd: Mrs. McKay Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Fiori made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. McKay that the Board approve the Parkway West Career and Technical Center's academic proposal. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- G. Action on the approval of the Grievance agreement between Fort Cherry School District and FCEA (PSEA) regarding Grievance #2019.05.01

1st: Mr. Ursitz 2nd: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the Grievance agreement between Fort Cherry School District and FCEA (PSEA) regarding Grievance #2019.05.01. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XI. Buildings and Grounds

- A. Action on the approval to table to name _____ as the lowest and reasonable bidder of the District Paving Project, at a cost not to exceed

\$_____, pending Engineer's review and approval (Funds coming out of Bond Issue 2019)

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board table naming _____ as the lowest and reasonable bidder of the District Paving Project, at a cost not to exceed \$_____, pending Engineer's review and approval (Funds coming out of Bond Issue 2019). Mrs. Drylie reported that the bids were opened at the District at 5:30pm that evening and the Engineer is reviewing and will make a recommendation for Monday, May 4th. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Discussion on allowing contractors to perform work at the District as long as they are following CDC and Social Distancing guidelines

Dr. Jacoby stated that Gov. Wolf removed restrictions on school construction. We are notifying all contractors that are currently working in the District and they are aware of the mandatory abidance by the CDC and social distancing guidelines.

- C. Action on the approval for Garland/DBS, Inc. to provide Structural Engineering services for the repairs of the District Canopies, at a cost not to exceed \$21,090 (Funds coming out of Capital Projects Fund)

1st: Mrs. Fiori

2nd: Mrs. Gaskill

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Fiori made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Gaskill that the Board approve Garland/DBS, Inc. to provide Structural Engineering services for the repairs of the District Canopies, at a cost not to exceed \$21,090 (Funds coming out of Capital Projects Fund). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- D. Action on the approval to pay Johnson Controls, Inc. Application #8 invoice in the amount of \$35,426.79 out of the 2019 Bond Proceeds Fund

1st: Mrs. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 7-2

Mrs. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve to pay Johnson Controls, Inc. Application #8 invoice in the amount of \$35,426.79 out of the 2019 Bond Proceeds Fund. Motion passed, 7-2 with Mrs. Sepesy and Mrs. McKay voting No.

XII. Transportation

- A. Action on the approval of the addendum to the current Bish Transportation Contract to detail out the remainder of the 2019/2020 payments

1st: Mrs. Gaskill

2nd: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 7-0-2

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the addendum to the current Bish Transportation Contract to detail out the remainder of the 2019/2020 payments. Motion passed, 7-0-2 with Mrs. Sepesy and Mrs. Schwab abstaining. Abstention forms are included in original Board minutes.

- B. Action on the approval of the addendum to the current Hickory Transportation Contract to detail out the remainder of the 2019/2020 payments

1st: Mr. Ursitz 2nd: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the addendum to the current Hickory Transportation Contract to detail out the remainder of the 2019/2020 payments. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XIII. Finance

- A. Discussion on the 2020/2021 Preliminary Budget

The Board reviewed the updated Preliminary budget for 2020/2021. Mrs. Drylie proposed cuts to the budget as well as Revenue updates from the state. The current deficit is \$1,021,786.

XIV. Technology

There were no Technology items.

XV. Athletics

There were no Athletic items.

XVI. Activities

There were no Activity items.

XVII. Textbooks and Supplies

There were no Textbook and Supply items.

XVIII. Policy

There were no Policy items.

XIX. Miscellaneous

There were no Miscellaneous items.

XX. Public Comment

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

Mrs. Julie Vincenti thanked everyone in the District and the Board for their hard work!

XXI. Executive Session

This item was not held.

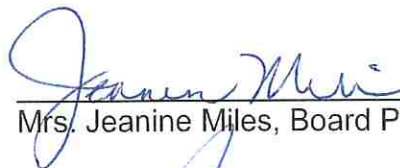
XXII. Adjournment

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Schwab that the Board approve the adjournment of the Regular Meeting of April 27, 2020 until the Special Meeting on Monday, May 4, 2020. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.


Mrs. Jeanine Miles, Board President


Mrs. Jessica Drylie, Board Secretary