

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 28, 2022, beginning at 6:00 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
Mr. Louis Ursitz	Mrs. Julie Sepesy
Mr. Cory Matchett	Mr. Paul Bianchini
Ms. Beverly Schwab	

The following members were excused/absent:

None

The following non-members were present:

Mr. Thomas Samosky, Superintendent
Mrs. Jessica L. Drylie, Business Manager/Board Secretary

The following community members were present:

No community members were present

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

I. Executive Session (6:00pm – 7:00pm)

Executive Session was held starting at 6:00pm and ending at 7:06pm.
Executive session items discussed were Personnel and Contractual matters.

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

By Whom: President McKay

Time: 7:10pm

- III. Action on the approval to amend the Agenda to add Item XIX, C. Action on the approval of a field trip request for Dr. Trisha Craig to accompany students to the Ohio Technical Institute on March 30, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$250, with the amendment arising in the 24 hours prior to the February 28, 2022 public meeting and being de minimis in nature.

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy to approve to amend the Agenda to add Item XIX, C. Action on the approval of a field trip request for Dr. Trisha Craig to accompany students to the Ohio Technical Institute on March 30, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$250, with the amendment arising in the 24 hours prior to the February 28, 2022 public meeting and being de minimis in nature. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- IV. **Approval of Agenda** – Regular Meeting of February 28, 2022

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Miles

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles to approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2022. 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)

No remarks by visitors.

- VI. **Presentations**

A. Recognition - Mrs. Jodie Hoover, Golden Owl recipient finalist

B. J. Martin & Associates, LLC - 2020/2021 Financial Audit Presentation

C. PNC Bank, Alisha Henry, Managing Director & Dinsmore & Shohl LLP

- VII. Action on the approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 24, 2022, the continuation meeting of January 24, 2022 that was held on January 31, 2022, and the Board Workshop meeting on February 8, 2022

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 24, 2022, the continuation meeting of January 24, 2022 that was held on January 31, 2022, and the Board Workshop meeting on February 8, 2022. 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 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 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

Ms. Schwab mentioned that the 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball team is doing really well and they are fun to watch!

B. Solicitor's Report

No Solicitor's Report

C. Superintendents Report

Mr. Samosky presented the Superintendent Report. The report will be posted on the District's website

XI. Personnel and Curriculum

A. Action on the approval to accept Mr. Eric Lauver's 84.50 sick days from his prior employer

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve to accept Mr. Eric Lauver's 84.50 sick days from his prior employer. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Acknowledge the retirement of Mr. Robert George, Custodian, effective March 31, 2022

President McKay acknowledged the retirement of Mr. Robert George, Custodian, effective March 31, 2022, and thanked him for his service.

XII. Buildings and Grounds

- A. Action on the approval of Allegheny Restoration Inc. to remove and replace brick on the chimney, at a cost not to exceed \$15,598 (Funds coming from Bond Issue 2019)

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

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve Allegheny Restoration Inc. to remove and replace brick on the chimney, at a cost not to exceed \$15,598 (Funds coming from Bond Issue 2019). Mr. Ursitz stated that the District needs to make sure that Allegheny performs this work in warmer outside temperatures so the mortar lasts longer. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

XIII. Transportation

There were no Transportation items.

XIV. Finance

- A. Action on the approval of the Intermediate Unit #1 General Operational Budget contribution for the 2022-2023 school year at an estimated amount of \$11,329.99

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the Intermediate Unit #1 General Operational Budget contribution for the 2022-2023 school year at an estimated amount of \$11,329.99. Mrs. Sepesy asked what the amount is annually and Mrs. Drylie responded by stating that the amount has not significantly changed over the last several years and the cost for 22/23 is less than 21/22 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval of a three (3) year agreement with DQE Communications for the District's internet service provider, at an annual cost of \$10,740 with a Category 1 discount of 70%, pending Solicitor review and approval

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

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Category 1 discount of 70%, pending Solicitor review and approval.
Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- C. Action on the approval of a three (3) year agreement with DQE Communications to provide DDos Protection, at a cost not to exceed an annual cost of \$1,620, effective July 1, 2022 (Funds budgeted in General Fund)

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve a three (3) year agreement with DQE Communications to provide DDos Protection, at a cost not to exceed an annual cost of \$1,620, effective July 1, 2022 (Funds budgeted in General Fund). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- D. Action on the approval to purchase a portable stage system from The Stage Depot at a cost not to exceed, \$16,500 (Funds coming from Bond Issue 2019)

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve a purchase of a portable stage system from The Stage Depot at a cost not to exceed, \$16,500 (Funds coming from Bond Issue 2019). Mrs. Drylied explained the current stage is 30 years old and not ADA compliant. The current stage needs to be replaced. Motion passed 8-1, with Mrs. Sepesy voting No.

XV. Technology

There were no Technology items.

XVI. Athletics

- A. Action on the approval of Mr. Jeff Sieg, Boys & Girls Assistant Track Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

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

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve Mr. Jeff Sieg, Boys & Girls Assistant Track Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

XVII. Activities

There were no Activity items.

XVIII. Policy

There were no Policy items.

XIX. Miscellaneous

- A. Action on the approval of a three (3) year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Fort Cherry School District and Blueprints Early Learning Programs: Head Start and PA Pre-K Counts, with services to be provided effective July 1, 2022

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles that the Board approve a three (3) year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Fort Cherry School District and Blueprints Early Learning Programs: Head Start and PA Pre-K Counts, with services to be provided effective July 1, 2022. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval of Dr. Trisha Craig, Mrs. Lauren Cieply, and Miss Jessica Cole to attend the PASCD Conference in Hershey, PA on March 27-29, 2022

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve Dr. Trisha Craig, Mrs. Lauren Cieply, and Miss Jessica Cole to attend the PASCD Conference in Hershey, PA on March 27-29, 2022. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- C. Action on the approval of a field trip request for Dr. Trisha Craig to accompany students to the Ohio Technical Institute on March 30, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$250, with the amendment arising in the 24 hours prior to the February 28, 2022 public meeting and being de minimis in nature.

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XX. Public Comment

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

No Public Comments

XXI. Executive Session

This item was not held.

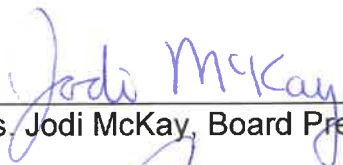
XXII. Adjournment

1st: Mrs. Schwab

2nd: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the adjournment of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2022. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.



Mrs. Jodi McKay, Board President



Mrs. Jessica Drylie, Board Secretary