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, January 24, 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

Mrs. Cynthia Gaskill Mr. Louis Ursitz

Mr. Cory Matchett

Mr. Paul Bianchini (via Zoom)

Ms. Beverly Schwab (via Zoom)

Mrs. Jeanine Miles Mrs. Julie Sepesy Mr. Chase Ogburn

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

Mr. Russ Lucas, Solicitor, Andrews and Price

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 7:20pm to discuss Safety and Personnel matters.

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

By Whom: President McKay Time: 7:24pm

III. Approval of Agenda - Regular Meeting of January 24, 2022

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy to approve the amended agenda of the Regular Meeting of January 24, 2022 to add a voting item to Miscellaneous G. The added item will involve Board Workshop meetings and setting a schedule. The matter arose in the last 24 hours and does not involve the expenditure of money. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

IV. Board Recognition Month Celebration

Mr. Samosky recognized the Fort Cherry School Board of Directors with mugs made by Mr. Parson and the HS Tech lab. Mr. Samosky thanked the school board for their work and dedication to the District.

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. Action on the approval of Minutes – Reorganization/Regular Meeting of December 6, 2021 and the minutes from the Special Meeting of December 16, 2021

1st: Mrs. Sepesy

2nd: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the minutes of the Reorganization/Regular Meeting of December 6, 2021 and the minutes from the Special Meeting of December 16, 2021. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

VII. Secretary's Correspondence

None

VIII. Treasurer's Actions

A. Action on the approval of Bills for Payment 1st: Mrs. Gaskill 2nd: Mrs. Miles

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Miles 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: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy 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: Mrs. Miles

Motion: 9-0

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

IX. Reports

A. Board Reports

Mrs. McKay started the discussion on adding Board workshop meetings. The types of meetings were discussed amongst the board members. The decision was to add three workshop meetings (February, March, and April) on the second Tuesday of the month and then these types of meetings will be evaluated to see if there is a need to continue them.

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.

X. Personnel and Curriculum

A. Action on the approval of Mrs. Elizabeth Welch, permanent two and a half (2.50) hour Cafe worker, per the FCESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement

1st: Mrs. Miles

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Miles made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve Mrs. Elizabeth Welch, permanent two and a half (2.50) hour Cafe worker, per the FCESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

B. Acknowledge a medical leave of absence of a professional employee, effective January 3, 2022 until June 6, 2022

President McKay acknowledged a medical leave of absence of a professional employee, effective January 3, 2022 until June 6, 2022

XI. Buildings and Grounds

There were no Building and Grounds items.

XII. Transportation

There were no Transportation items.

XIII. Finance

A. Action to adopt Resolution #4 - 1-24-22 - Act 1 Taxpayer Relief Act for budget year 2022/2023

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the adoption of Resolution #4 - 1-24-22 - Act 1 Taxpayer Relief Act for budget year 2022/2023. Mrs. Drylie stated that the District's index is 4.4%. The District is not eligible for exceptions for the 2022/2023 budget year. Roll call was made and all board members voted YES. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

B. Action to adopt Resolution #5 - 1-24-22 - Earned Income/Compensation and Net Profits Tax Under Act 511

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the adoption of Resolution #5 - 1-24-22 - Earned Income/Compensation and Net Profits Tax Under Act 511. Roll call was made and all board members voted YES. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

C. Action to adopt Resolution #6 - 1-24-22 - Setting the Bond for the Real Estate Tax Collectors for Mt. Pleasant Township

1st: Mrs. Sepesy

2nd: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the adoption of Resolution #6 - 1-24-22 - Setting the Bond for the Real Estate Tax Collectors for Mt. Pleasant Township. Roll call was made and all board members voted YES. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

D. Action to adopt Resolution #7 - Appointment of Tax Collector for Borough of Midway

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the

Board approve the adoption of Resolution #7 - Appointment of Tax Collector for Borough of Midway. Roll call was made and all board members voted YES. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

E. Action to adopt Resolution #8 - Appointment of Tax Collector for Borough of McDonald

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the adoption of Resolution #8 - Appointment of Tax Collector for Borough of McDonald. Roll call was made and all board members voted YES. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

F. Action to adopt Resolution #9 - Appointment of Tax Collector for Township of Robinson

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the adoption of Resolution #9 - Appointment of Tax Collector for Township of Robinson. Roll call was made and all board members voted YES. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

G. Discussion on new 3 year Capital Project plan

Mrs. Drylie began the discussion with the projects that are listed under the District's Capital Project Plan. As of now, the projects that are listed are: LED Lighting upgrades in classrooms, HS Cafeteria Roof, Exterior masonry repairs (both buildings), HS Locker Rooms, etc. Mrs. Drylie stated that the projects listed above are going to need financed. The District's bond counsel and bond underwriter will attend February's Board meeting to discuss the issuance of new debt. The list of all capital projects will be discussed in depth in the budget meetings that begin in March/April 2022.

XIV. Technology

There were no Technology items.

XV. Athletics

A. Acknowledge the the resignation of Mr. Kevin Center, Boys & Girls Track Assistant Coach

President McKay acknowledged the resignation of Mr. Kevin Center, Boys & Girls Track Assistant Coach, and thanked him for his service

B. Action on the approval of Mr. Kevin Center as a Volunteer Boys & Girls Track Coach

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mrs. Gaskill

Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Gaskill that the Board approve Mr. Kevin Center as a Volunteer Boys & Girls Track Coach. Motion passed 8-0, with Mrs. Sepesy stepping out of the meeting for a few minutes.

XVI. Activities

There were no Activity items.

XVII. Policy

There were no Policy items.

XVIII. Miscellaneous

A. Action on the approval of the District Calendar for 2022-2023 School Year 1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mr. Ursitz Motion: 8-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the District Calendar for 2022-2023 School Year. Motion passed 8-0, with Mrs. Sepesy stepping out of the meeting for a few minutes.

B. Action on the approval to nominate _____ as a candidate to serve on the Intermediate Unit I Board of Directors

Item fails for lack of motion

C. Action on the approval of Redford Photography as School District Photographer commencing July 1, 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 Redford Photography as School District Photographer commencing July 1, 2022. Mrs. Drylie stataed that the District issued a RFP in November 2021. The District received three proposals, Redford Photography, Lifetouch, and The Barksdale Group. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

D. Action on the approval of Mr. Samosky to attend the 2022 PARSS conference from May 4, 2022 - May 5, 2022 in State College, PA 1st: Mrs. Miles 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Miles made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve Mr. Samosky to attend the 2022 PARSS conference from May 4, 2022 - May 5, 2022 in State College, PA. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

E. Action on the approval to waive Board Policy 202 and enter into an agreement with the Burgess family, pending review and approval by solicitor

1st: Mrs. Sepesy

2nd: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve to waive Board Policy 202 and enter into an agreement with the Burgess family, pending review and approval by solicitor. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

F. Action on the approval of the revision to the ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan for the 2021-2022 School Year

1st: Mrs. Miles

2nd: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Miles made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the revision to the ARP ESSER Health and Safety Plan for the 2021-2022 School Year. Mr. Samosky stated that all changes will be sent out via District eBlast the following day. The change the District made is putting the responsibility of all contract tracing back to PA Department of Health. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

G. Action on the approval to schedule Board Workshop meetings for the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm in the High School Learning Commons for the months of February, March, and April 2022 and to direct the advertisement of these meetings

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the scheduling of Board Workshop meetings for the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm in the High School Learning Commons for the months of February, March, and April 2022 and to direct the advertisement of these meetings. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XIX. Public Comment

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

No Public Comments

XX. Executive Session

This item was not held.

XXI. Adjournment

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve the adjournment to January 31, 2022 at 6:00pm for Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

Mrs. Jodi McKay, Board President

Mrs. Jessica Drylie, Board Secretary