## **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, July 19, 2021, beginning at 6:30 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. Eugene Briggs

Ms. Beverly Schwab

Mrs. Jeanine Miles

Mrs. Julie Sepesy

Mrs. Dawn Fiori

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

The following community members were present:

## None

- \* List of all members that attended virtual session will be filed with official Board minutes
  - I. Board Level Interviews (5:50pm)
  - II. Executive Session (6:30pm)

Executive Session was held starting at 6:30pm and ending at 7:09pm to discuss Safety, Personnel, and Student matters.

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

By Whom: President Miles Time: 7:12pm

## IV. Approval of Agenda - Regular Meeting of July 19, 2021

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab to approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2021 with one change to remove Item XVII. Policy Letter A, revisions to Policy 202. 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. Action on the approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of June 28, 2021 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 minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 28, 2021. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

## VII. Secretary's Correspondence

No Correspondence

## VIII. Treasurer's Actions

A. Action on the approval of Bills for Payment 1<sup>st</sup>: Mrs. Gaskill 2<sup>nd</sup>: 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.

## IX. Reports

## A. Board Reports

No Board Reports

## B. Solicitor's Report

No Solicitor's Report

## C. Superintendents Report

Dr. Jacoby announced the District will be allowing concessions at Athletic events. Also, masks on transportation was a new Federal mandate that was recently announced.

## X. Personnel and Curriculum

A. Action on the approval of the Order of Merit List for an ESL/Reading Specialist at the Elementary Center, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve the Order of Merit List for an ESL/Reading Specialist at the Elementary Center, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

B. Action on the approval of the Substitute Lists for the 2021/2022 school year

1st: Ms. Schwab

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the Substitute Lists for the 2021/2022 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

C. Action on the approval for the Superintendent or Designee to make additions to the Substitute Lists for the 2021/2022 school year 1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the Superintendent or Designee to make additions to the Substitute Lists for the 2021/2022 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

D. Action on the approval of a six (6) year contract with Mrs. Jessica Drylie, Business Manager, effective July 1, 2021

1<sup>st</sup>: Ms. Schwab

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve a six (6) year contract with Mrs. Jessica Drylie, Business Manager, effective July 1, 2021. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

E. Action on the approval of an agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Dr. Jill Jacoby

1st: Ms. Schwab

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve an agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Dr. Jill Jacoby. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

F. Action on the approval of the updated Employment agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Patricia Fedinetz, Food Service Manager, pending Solicitors review and approval

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 updated Employment agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Patricia Fedinetz, Food Service Manager, pending Solicitors review and approval. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

G. Action on the approval of the updated Employment agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Sally Cowden, Food Service Clerk, pending Solicitors review and approval

1<sup>st</sup>: Ms. Schwab

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the updated Employment agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Sally Cowden, Food Service Clerk, pending Solicitors review and approval. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

## XI. Buildings and Grounds

There were no Building and Ground items.

## XII. Transportation

A. Action on the approval of the District Bus Stops for the 2021/2022 school year

1st: Mrs. Fiori

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Fiori made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve the District Bus Stops for the 2021/2022 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

B. Action on the approval for the Superintendent or Designee to make changes to the Bus Stops for the 2021/2022 school year (any changes will be approved at the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting)

1st: Ms. Schwab

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the Superintendent or Designee to make changes to the Bus Stops for the 2021/2022 school year (any changes will be approved at

the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

## XIII. Finance

There were no Finance items.

## XIV. Technology

There were no Technology items.

## XV. Athletics

A. Action on the approval of Miss Shannon Relihan as a Volunteer Girls Varsity Basketball Coach

1st: Ms. Schwab

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Sepesy

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve Miss Shannon Relihan as a Volunteer Girls Varsity Basketball Coach. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

B. Action on the approval of Miss Carolena Gasbarro, Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

1st: Ms. Schwab

2nd: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve Miss Carolena Gasbarro, Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

C. Action on the approval Miss Jessie Merckle, Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country Assistant Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement 1st: Ms. Schwab 2nd: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve Miss Jessie Merckle, Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country Assistant Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

#### XVI. Activities

There were no Activity items.

## XVII. Policy

A. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 202 - Eligibility of Nonresident Students

Removed from Agenda

B. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 218.1 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 218.1 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

C. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 218.2 Terrorist Threats/Acts

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 218.2 Terrorist Threats/Acts. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

D. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 233 Suspension and Expulsion

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 233 Suspension and Expulsion. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

E. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 246 Student Wellness 1<sup>st</sup>: Mr. Ursitz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 246 Student Wellness. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

F. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 247 Hazing

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 revisions to Policy 247 Hazing. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

G. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying

1st. Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

H. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 333 Professional Development

1<sup>st</sup>: Mr. Ursitz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 333 Professional Development. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

I. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 705 Safety

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 revisions to Policy 705 Safety. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

J. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 709 Building Security 1<sup>st</sup>: Mr. Ursitz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 709 Building Security. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

K. Action on the approval of the revisions to Policy 805 Emergency Preparedness and Response

1<sup>st</sup>: Mr. Ursitz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 805 Emergency Preparedness and Response. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

L. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 146.1 Trauma-Informed Approach

1<sup>st</sup>: Mr. Ursitz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 8-1

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of Policy 146.1 Trauma-Informed Approach. Mrs. Gaskill question the definition of Trauma and Mr. Lucas, District Solicitor responded what the definition was per PA School Code. Motion passed, 8-1, with Mrs. Gaskill voting No.

M. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 150 Title I -Comparability of Services 1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of Policy 150 Title I - Comparability of Services. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

N. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 218.4 Discipline of Student Convicted/Adjudicated of Sexual Assault

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of Policy 218.4 Discipline of Student Convicted/Adjudicated of Sexual Assault. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

O. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 236.1 Threat Assessment

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of Policy 236.1 Threat Assessment. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

P. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 250 Student Recruitment

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>· Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of Policy 250 Student Recruitment. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

Q. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 309.1 Telework 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 second read of Policy 309.1 Telework. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

R. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 800.1 Electronic Signatures/Records

1st. Mr. Ursitz

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of Policy 800.1 Electronic Signatures/Records. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

S. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 805.2 School Security Personnel

1<sup>st</sup>: Mr. Ursitz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of 805.2 School Security Personnel. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0

T. Action on the approval of the second read of Policy 832 Educational Equity

1<sup>st</sup>: Mr. Ursitz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Fiori Motion: 8-1

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiori that the Board approve the second read of 832 Educational Equity. Mrs. Gaskill question the term equity. Motion passed, 8-1, with Mrs. Gaskill voting No.

#### XVIII. Miscellaneous

A. Action on the approval of an agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Avella Area School District regarding services provided, pending Solicitors review and approval

1st: Mr. Ursitz

2nd: Ms. Schwab

Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve an agreement between Fort Cherry School District and Avella Area School District regarding services provided, pending Solicitors review and approval. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

B. Action on the approval of holding Board Meetings for the 2021/2022 school year in person and virtually

1<sup>st</sup>: Ms. Schwab 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve holding Board Meetings for the 2021/2022 school year in person and virtually. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

## XIX. Public Comment

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

Rebecca Roberts – Asked the Board what the District will be doing this school year with mask wearing. Dr. Jacoby responded by stating that in June, the Board approved an updated Health & Safety Plan that includes masks are optional on school property however, due to a Federal Mandate, masks will have to be worn on District transportation.

President Miles read a letter to Dr. Jacoby thanking her for all her hard work and passion and stated that she will be missed.

## XX. Executive Session

This item was not held.

## XXI. Adjournment

1st: Mrs. Schwab

2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Ursitz

Motion: 9-0

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the adjournment of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2021. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0, and the meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

Mrs. Jeanine Miles, Board President

Mrs. Jessica Drylie, Board Secretary