

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, May 23, 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:

None 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 7:10pm.
Executive session items discussed were Personnel and Contractual matters.

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

By Whom: President McKay

Time: 7:12pm

- 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: Mr. Matchett Motion: 9-0

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

X. Reports

A. Board Reports

Ms. Schwab and Mrs. Gaskill attended the National Honor Society dinner. The Speaker was great and made the students feel special. Mrs. Sepesy attended the IU1 dinner and student showcase. The students' displays were amazing and she was very proud of 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.

XI. Personnel and Curriculum

- A. Action on the approval of the new learning resources for the 2022/2023 school year
1st: Mrs. Miles 2nd: Mr. Ursitz Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Miles made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the new learning resources for the 2022/2023 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval of summer work hours for educational purposes from June 6 to August 19, 2022:
1. Sr High Guidance: 100
 2. Jr High Guidance: 100
 3. Elem Guidance: 80

- 4. Elem Nurse: 80
 - 5. HS Nurse: 80
 - 6. Elem Student Support: 80
 - 7. HS Student Support: 80
- 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 summer work hours for educational purposes from June 6 to August 19, 2022:

- 1. Sr High Guidance: 100
 - 2. Jr High Guidance: 100
 - 3. Elem Guidance: 80
 - 4. Elem Nurse: 80
 - 5. HS Nurse: 80
 - 6. Elem Student Support: 80
 - 7. HS Student Support: 80
- Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- C. Action on the approval of the employment of 2022 Summer District Cleaners from the Order of Merit List, as needed per District Administration
- 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 employment of the 2022 Summer District Cleaners from the Order of Merit List, as needed per District Administration. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- D. Action on approval to accept outside students to attend Fort Cherry's Vo-Ag program effective the 2022-2023 school year
- 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 acceptance of outside students to attend Fort Cherry's Vo-Ag program effective the 2022-2023 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- E. Action on the approval of the retirement request from Mrs. Margaret Tarentino, Professional Employee, effective June 30, 2022
- 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 retirement request from Mrs. Margaret Tarentino, Professional Employee, effective June 30, 2022. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- F. Acknowledge the resignation of Mrs. Cheryl Kolling, Cafeteria Worker, effective April 22, 2022

President McKay acknowledged the resignation of Mrs. Cheryl Kolling, Cafeteria Worker, effective April 22, 2022, and thanked her for her service.

- G. Action on the approval of a maternity leave request from a professional employee from August 24, 2022 until June 2, 2023

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 maternity leave request from a professional employee from August 24, 2022 until June 2, 2023. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- H. Acknowledge the resignation of Miss Alyssa Ketter, Paraprofessional, effective June 3, 2022

President McKay acknowledged the resignation of Miss Alyssa Ketter, Paraprofessional, effective June 3, 2022, and thanked her for her service.

- I. Action on the approval of Mrs. Barbara Meek, Long Term Nurse Substitute for the 2022/2023 school year

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

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve Mrs. Barbara Meek, Long Term Nurse Substitute for the 2022/2023 school year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- J. Acknowledge the resignation of Ms. Melina Robinson, cafeteria worker, effective immediately

President McKay acknowledged the resignation of Ms. Melina Robinson, cafeteria worker, effective immediately, and thanked her for her service.

- K. Acknowledge the resignation of Mrs. Nicole Klezia, cafeteria worker, effective May 24, 2022

President McKay acknowledged the resignation of Mrs. Nicole Klezia, cafeteria worker, effective May 24, 2022, and thanked her for her service.

- L. Action on the approval of Mr. Mike Webb, Full Time Custodial position, effective May 24, 2022, per the FCESPA 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 Mr. Mike Webb, Full Time Custodial position, effective May

24, 2022, per the FCESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XII. Buildings and Grounds

- A. Action on the approval of Huckestein Mechanical to add an exhaust fan to the Highschool Cafeteria at a cost not to exceed \$5,482 (funds coming from 2022 Bond Issue)

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Matchett that the Board approve Huckestein Mechanical to add an exhaust fan to the Highschool Cafeteria at a cost not to exceed \$5,482 (funds coming from 2022 Bond Issue). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval to purchase a 2022 Ford Maverick AWD SuperCrew Pickup truck from Woltz and Wind Ford, at a price not to exceed \$24,000 under CoStars contract pricing (funds coming out of 2019 Bond Issue)

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

Mr. Matchett made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve the purchase of a 2022 Ford Maverick AWD SuperCrew Pickup truck from Woltz and Wind Ford, at a price not to exceed \$24,000 under CoStars contract pricing (funds coming out of 2019 Bond Issue). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- C. Action on the approval of CJL Engineering to perform a feasibility study for a cost estimate for upgrading the existing stadium, track, bathrooms and high school locker rooms, at a cost not to exceed \$6,000 (funds coming out of 2019 Bond Issue)

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

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Matchett that the Board approve CJL Engineering to perform a feasibility study for a cost estimate for upgrading the existing stadium, track, bathrooms and high school locker rooms, at a cost not to exceed \$6,000 (funds coming out of 2019 Bond Issue). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- D. Action on the approval to pay Environmental and Safety Training, Inc. \$17,100 for providing project management on the asbestos removal project at the high school in the summer of 2021 (funds coming out of 2019 Bond Issue)

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

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve to pay Environmental and Safety Training, Inc. \$17,100 for

providing project management on the asbestos removal project at the high school in the summer of 2021 (funds coming out of 2019 Bond Issue). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- E. Action on the approval of Allegheny Restoration to repair outside brick at the high school gym, not to exceed \$4,366 (funds coming from 2019 Bond Issue)

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve Allegheny Restoration to repair outside brick at the high school gym, not to exceed \$4,366 (funds coming from 2019 Bond Issue). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XIII. Transportation

There were no Transportation items.

XIV. Finance

- A. Action on the approval of the Proposed Final Budget for the 2022-2023 school year with expenditures of \$20,794,067 and a millage rate of 14.0258

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

Mr. Matchett made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the Proposed Final Budget for the 2022-2023 school year with expenditures of \$20,794,067 and a millage rate of 14.0258. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval of appointing the following District Depositories for the 2022-2023 fiscal year

1. Washington Financial Bank - General and Operation Accounts
2. Northwest Savings Bank - General Fund Committed Technology Account
3. PLGIT - 2019 Bond Proceeds Account
General Fund Account
2022 Bond Proceeds Account

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 appointing of the following District Depositories for the 2022-2023 fiscal year:

1. Washington Financial Bank - General and Operation Accounts
2. Northwest Savings Bank - General Fund Committed Technology Account
3. PLGIT - 2019 Bond Proceeds Account

General Fund Account
2022 Bond Proceeds Account
Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- C. Action on the approval of appointing a District Treasurer for the 2022-2023 fiscal year

1st: Mrs. Miles 2nd: Mr. Ogburn Motion: 9-0

Mrs. Miles made a motion to nominate Mrs. Gaskill as District Treasurer for the 22/23 school year, which was seconded by Mr. Ogburn. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0 and Mrs. Gaskill is now appointed the 2022-2023 District Treasurer.

- D. Action on the approval of the tentative agreement with the FCESPA Collective Bargaining Unit with the five (5) year contract commencing on July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027, pending final review and approval by District Solicitor

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve the tentative agreement with the FCESPA Collective Bargaining Unit with the five (5) year contract commencing on July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027, pending final review and approval by District Solicitor. Motion passed, 8-0-1, with Mrs. McKay abstaining. Abstention form is filed with official board minutes.

- E. Action on the approval to appoint Mr. Paul Bianchini of Mt. Pleasant Township as a Fort Cherry Education Foundation Trustee for a term of three years

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve Mr. Paul Bianchini of Mt. Pleasant Township as a Fort Cherry Education Foundation Trustee for a term of three years. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- F. Action on the approval to appoint Mrs. Julie Sepesy of McDonald Borough as a Fort Cherry Education Foundation Trustee for a term of two years

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve Mrs. Julie Sepesy of McDonald Borough as a Fort Cherry Education Foundation Trustee for a term of two years. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- G. Action on the approval to appoint Mr. Cory Matchett of Robinson Township as a Fort Cherry Education Foundation Trustee for a term of one year

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve Mr. Cory Matchett of Robinson Township as a Fort Cherry Education Foundation Trustee for a term of one year. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- H. Action on the approval of a \$5,500 donation to the Heritage Public Library from the General Fund

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy that the Board approve a \$5,500 donation to the Heritage Public Library from the General Fund. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XV. Technology

There were no Technology items.

XVI. Athletics

- A. Action on the approval of Mr. Jacob Temple as an Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

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

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve Mr. Jacob Temple as an Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval of Ms. Meghan Uht as an Assistant Girls' Volleyball Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

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

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Schwab that the Board approve Ms. Meghan Uht as an Assistant Girls' Volleyball Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XVII. Activities

- A. Action on the approval to purchase Varsity Cheerleading uniforms from Varsity Spirit Fashion at a cost not to exceed \$6,000 (Funds budgeted in the General Fund in 2022/2023 sy)

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 purchase of Varsity Cheerleading uniforms from Varsity Spirit Fashion at a cost not to exceed \$6,000 (Funds budgeted in the General Fund in 2022/2023 sy). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval of Miss Lacie Walker, Varsity Cheer Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement
1st: Mr. Ursitz 2nd: Mr. Matchett Motion: 9-0

Mr. Ursitz made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Matchett that the Board approve Miss Lacie Walker, Varsity Cheer Coach, per the FCEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

XVIII. Policy

There were no Policy items.

XIX. Miscellaneous

- A. Action on the approval of granting the Superintendent authority to approve building disposal lists related to consumables, old textbooks/resources, and broken/damaged equipment/furniture (in addition, any disposed item will be removed from the District's Asset List)
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 Superintendent to give authority to approve building disposal lists related to consumables, old textbooks/resources, and broken/damaged equipment/furniture (in addition, any disposed item will be removed from the District's Asset List). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- B. Action on the approval of the 2022-2023 IU1 Educational Services 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 the 2022-2023 IU1 Educational Services Agreement. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- C. Action on the approval of a lease agreement with BluePrints as the Lessee and Fort Cherry School District as the Lessor effective July 1, 2022 until June 30, 2023
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 lease agreement with BluePrints as the Lessee and Fort Cherry School District as the Lessor effective July 1, 2022 until June 30, 2023. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- D. Action on the approval of a student discipline recommendation proposed by FCSD Administration

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ogburn that the Board approve a student discipline recommendation proposed by FCSD Administration. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- E. Action on the approval for the Class of 2024 to take a class trip to New York City on April 10th-12th, 2023 or April 17th-19th, 2023, depending on what dates accommodate most students (no cost to the District)

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 Class of 2024 to take a class trip to New York City on April 10th-12th, 2023 or April 17th-19th, 2023, depending on what dates accommodate most students (no cost to the District). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- F. Action on the approval for FFA students to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN from October 26-29, 2022 (Transportation will be split with McGuffey SD)

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

Ms. Schwab made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ursitz that the Board approve FFA students to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN from October 26-29, 2022 (Transportation will be split with McGuffey SD). Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

- G. Action on the approval to authorize the submission of the FID (Flexible Instruction Day) application

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 authorization of the submission of the FID (Flexible Instruction Day) application. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0.

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

The Board moved into Executive Session at 8:18pm for legal and personnel matters.

XXII. 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 of the Regular Meeting of May 23, 2022. Motion passed unanimously, 9-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:17pm and the Board moved into Executive Session.


Mrs. Jodi McKay, Board President


Mrs. Jessica Drylie, Board Secretary