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 23, 2026, beginning with Executive Session at 6:00 PM, with the Regular Meeting at 7:00 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
Ms. Amanda Herforth
Mrs. Julie Sepesy
Mr. Chase Ogburn
Mrs. Leslie Maxin
Mr. Chris Salvini
Mrs. Cynthia Gaskill

The following non-members were present:

Mr. Thomas Samosky, Superintendent
Mrs. Reneé Miller, Business Manager
Mr. Russ Lucas, Solicitor, Andrews and Price

The following community members were present:

List of all members that attended in person and via virtual session will be filed with official Board minutes

I. **Executive Session** (6:00 PM)

Executive Session was held starting at 6:00 PM. Contracts, personnel, and student matters were discussed.

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

By Whom: President McKay Time: 7:06 PM

III. **Approval of Agenda** – Regular Meeting of February 23, 2026
1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Mrs. Maxin Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, to approve the agenda of the Regular Meeting of February 23, 2026.

IV. Remarks by Visitors

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

none

V. Presentations

A. Butler, Agnew & Associates - 2024-2025 Financial Audit Presentation

VI. Action on the approval of Minutes –

A. Regular Meeting of January 26, 2026
1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Mrs. Maxin Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Sepesy made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2026. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

VII. Secretary's Correspondence

none

VIII. Treasurer's Actions

A. Action on the approval of Bills for Payment
1st: Mrs. Gaskill 2nd: Mrs. Maxin Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, that the Board approve the Bills for Payment. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

B. Action on the approval of the Treasurer's Report Account Summaries
1st: Mrs. Gaskill 2nd: Mrs. Maxin Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, that the Board approve the Treasurer's Report Account Summaries. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

C. Action on the approval of the Budget Control Reports
1st: Mrs. Gaskill 2nd: Mrs. Maxin Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Gaskill made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin, that the Board approve the Budget Control Reports. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

IX. Reports

A. Board Reports

none

B. Solicitor's Report

none

C. Superintendents Report

The Superintendent's Report is posted on the website and has been made part of the official minutes.

X. Personnel and Curriculum

none

XI. Buildings and Grounds

Motion to combine Buildings and Grounds Items XI. A. through C. as a group.
1st: Mrs. Maxin 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Maxin made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy to combine Building and Grounds Items XI. A. through C. as a group. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

Motion to approve the previously combined Buildings and Grounds Items XI. A. through C. as a group.
1st: Mrs. Smith 2nd: Mrs. Maxin Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Smith made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Maxin to approve the previously combined Buildings and Grounds Items XI. A. through C. as a group. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

A. Action on the approval to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for painting services. The RFP is subject to review and approval of the District Solicitor.

B. Action on the approval to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for stadium fencing. The RFP is subject to review and approval of the District Solicitor.

C. Action on the approval to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for paving services. The RFP is subject to review and approval of the District Solicitor.

XII. Transportation

none

XIII. Finance

A. Action to adopt Resolution #8-2026-02-23 - Public School Facility Improvement Grant application
1st: Mrs. Sepesy 2nd: Mrs. Smith Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Sepesy made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Smith, to adopt Resolution #8-2026-02-23 - Public School Facility Improvement Grant application. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

XIV. Technology

A. Action on the approval to enter into a three (3) year agreement with GDC IT Solutions for District wide technology services including an onsite technician 5 days/week, at a cost of $107,627.00, per the attached quote. Agreement is subject to the review and approval of District solicitor.
1st: Mrs. Smith 2nd: Mr. Salvini Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Smith made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Salvini to approve a three (3) year agreement with GDC IT Solutions for District wide technology services including an onsite technician 5 days/week, at a cost of $107,627.00, per the attached quote. Agreement is subject to the review and approval of District solicitor. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

XV. Athletics

Motion to combine Athletics Items XV. A. through G. as a group.
1st: Mrs. Smith 2nd: Mr. Salvini Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Smith made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Salvini to combine Athletics Items XV. A. through G. as a group. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

Motion to approve the previously combined Athletics Items XV. A. through G. as a group.
1st: Mrs. Smith 2nd: Mr. Salvini Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Smith made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Salvini to approve the previously combined Athletics Items XV. A. through G. as a group. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

A. Action on the approval to purchase Football Uniforms from Natale

Sporting Goods, in the amount of $26,994.60 per the attached quote. Quote includes home and away jerseys and three sets of pants.

B. Acknowledge the resignation of Mr. Jason Johnson, Assistant Softball Coach, effective immediately

C. Action on the approval to hire Ms. Melissa Duran as the High School Varsity Assistant Softball Coach per the FCEA Collective Bargaining agreement, contingent upon the receipt and final review of any and all paperwork.

D. Action on the approval of Mr. Austin Nardozi as a volunteer Assistant Varsity Softball coach, contingent on the final receipt and review of all paperwork.

E. Action on the approval of Ms. Mara Whalen as a volunteer Varsity Track coach, contingent on the final receipt and review of all paperwork.

F. Action on the approval of Mr. Steven Girgash as a volunteer Varsity Track coach, contingent on the final receipt and review of all paperwork.

G. Action on the approval of Mr. James Baxter as a volunteer Junior High School Wrestling coach, contingent on the final receipt and review of all paperwork.

XVI. Activities

none

XVII. Policy

none

XVIII. Miscellaneous

Motion to combine Miscellaneous Items XVIII. A. through C. as a group.
1st: Mrs. Smith 2nd: Mr. Salvini Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Smith made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Salvini to combine Miscellaneous Items XVII. A. through C. as a group. Motion passed unanimously,
7-0.

Motion to approve the previously combined Miscellaneous Items XVIII. A. through C. as a group.
1st: Mrs. Maxin 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Maxin made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Salvini to approve the previously combined Miscellaneous Items XVIII. A. through C. as a group. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

A. Action on the approval of the Intermediate Unit 1 Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

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

C. Action on the approval of Mr. Matt Nelson and Mrs. Andrea Garry to take the Band and Chorus students to Disney World in Orlando, Fl. in the Spring of 2027. Proposed dates are March 30 - April 4, 2027. (exact dates are TBD)

XIX. Public Comment

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

none

XX. Executive Session

none

XXI. Adjournment

1st: Mrs. Smith 2nd: Mrs. Sepesy Motion: 7-0

Mrs. Smith made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Sepesy, that the Board approve the adjournment of the Regular Meeting of February 23, 2026. Motion passed, 7-0, and the meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Mrs. Jodi McKay, Board President

Mrs. Pam Staley, Board Secretary