

FOX CHAPEL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

FEBRUARY 11, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The regular business meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fox Chapel Area School District was called to order by president, Terry L. Wirginis, at 7:00 p.m. on February 11, 2019, in the LGI room at Fox Chapel Area High School.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL-CALL

The Board members present at roll call were Messrs. Mauro, Obernauer, Schmidt, Vyas, and Wirginis, Dr. Cook, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Garbisch, and Mrs. Rutkowski. Mr. Obernauer was present via telephone. Also present were Dr. McCommons, Mr. Giuffre, and Mrs. Anuszek. Dr. Freeman was absent. Other members of the public were present.

GUESTS

There were no guests.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Justin Breen, student government president, gave his report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Joseph Kozarian, School Safety and Security Coordinator – Safe2Say
- Superintendent Spotlight – Video produced by Ryan Devlin, high school multimedia teacher, featuring Great Expectations, a popular after-school enrichment program at Fairview Elementary School
- Proposed 2019-2020 School Calendar

The proposed 2019-2020 school calendar is available for review. Copies will be available for the public in the school offices and on the website. A final recommendation will be made to the Board of School Directors as part of the March 11, 2019, regular business meeting agenda.

• Student Magazine Wins First-Place National Award

Fox Chapel Area High School's 2017-2018 literary arts magazine "Tapestry" received a national award. The magazine was named a first-place winner in the magazine portion of the 2018 American Scholastic Press Association's Annual Review and Contest Awards for scholastic yearbooks, magazines, and other publications.

The 2017-2018 student editors of "Tapestry" were 2018 graduates **Karissa Becer, Emelyn Broniek, Sally Dean, Annamaria Fort, Anna Hirsch, Shania Khatri, Philip Kim, Elizabeth Mountz, and Helen Paulini** (editor-in-chief); current 2018-2019 seniors **Noah Fritsch, Arnav Gupta, Emma Kazmierczak, Alyssa Melani, Demi Rymer, Chloe Yofan, and Seo Yeon "Christina" Wang**; and current 2018-2019 juniors **Claire Cummings and Emma Lusk**. The students' advisor is Fox Chapel Area High School English teacher **Jessica Green**.

• **Students Place at NA Forensic Tournament**

Three Fox Chapel Area High School students placed at the North Allegheny High School Forensic Tournament. The Public Forum Debate team of juniors **Rajeev Godse** and **Sina Shaikh** won second place. A sixth place award went to sophomore **Suparna Agrawal** in Extemporaneous Speaking.

The North Allegheny High School Forensic Tournament was held January 12, 2019, at North Allegheny Intermediate and Senior High schools. More than 400 students representing 25 high schools from Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia competed at the tournament.

• **Students Place in Ohio Forensic Tournament**

Two Fox Chapel Area High School students placed at the annual Canfield Kiwanis High School Speech and Debate Tournament. The team of junior **Rajeev Godse** and sophomore **Jackson Romero** won fourth place in Public Forum Debate.

The tournament, hosted by Canfield High School in Canfield, Ohio, was held January 5, 2019. More than 460 students from 22 high schools from Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania participated in the event.

• **Football Players Named to All-Star Team**

Two Fox Chapel Area High School football players were named to a Valley News Dispatch All-Star team. Senior **Korey Simmons** and junior **Samuel Brown** were named to the second team. The team was featured in the December 23, 2018, print edition of the Valley News Dispatch, as well as on the newspaper's website.

• **Students Selected for All-Star Ice Hockey Game**

Three students from the Fox Chapel Ice Hockey Team were chosen to participate in the 2019 Pennsylvania Interscholastic Hockey League (PIHL) Class A all-star game. The students are senior **Mac Johnson** and juniors **Richard Downey** and **Reed Troutman**. The game was played January 27 at the Robert Morris University Island Sports Center.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

There was no report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Wirginis asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the combined agenda study session and regular business meeting dated January 7, 2019. On motion by Mrs. Garbisch and seconded by Mr. Schmidt, the minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were two comments.

1. Sandy Garcia-Tunon, 38 Longfellow Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15215, commented on the upcoming District Forum meeting on February 26, 2019.
2. Liz Rambeau, 103 Wynnwood Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15215, commented on school start time and the graduation requirement change.

NEW BUSINESS

The superintendent recommended that action be taken on the following items of business:

FACILITIES/TRANSPORTATION

B. Facilities/Transportation

No action is requested.

FINANCE

C. Finance

On motion by Mr. Mauro and seconded by Mrs. Garbisch, it was unanimously resolved to approve the following Finance items:

1. Disbursements (A)

General fund disbursements (Fund 10) in the amount of \$8,533,811.30 from January 1, 2019, through January 31, 2019, are approved.

2. Disbursements (B)

GO Bond Series 2017 Construction Fund disbursements (Fund 33) in the amount of \$1,061,642.42 for January 2019 are approved.

3. Disbursements (C)

Capital projects fund disbursements (Fund 31) in the amount of \$156,752.79 for January 2019 are approved.

4. Finance Report

The finance report for December 2018 is acknowledged and filed for audit.

5. Budget Transfers

The budget transfers for 2018-2019 are approved.

6. Student Activity Financial Reports

The second quarter 2018-2019 middle school and high school student activity financial reports are acknowledged and filed for audit.

7. Permission to Advertise – Athletic Supplies

Authorize the advertisement of bids for the 2019-2020 school year for the following: athletic supplies (fall and winter), athletic supplies (spring), and athletic medical supplies.

8. Exoneration of Tax Collectors

Approve a motion to exonerate the local tax collectors for Indiana Township, O'Hara Township, Aspinwall Borough, Blawnox Borough, Fox Chapel Borough, and Sharpsburg Borough from further collection on the 2018 school district real estate tax duplicates and to turn over to PA Del Tax for collection the 2018 real estate tax listings certified as delinquent by the local tax collectors.

INSTRUCTION

D. Instruction

On motion by Dr. Vyas and seconded by Mrs. Garbisch, and after a discussion, it was unanimously resolved to approve the following Instruction items:

1. Fox Chapel Area School District Graduation Requirement

The Fox Chapel Area School District graduation requirement is approved to include an increase from 0 to .5 credits in college and career essentials and to include a decrease from 3.0 to 2.5 credits in health, safety, and physical education. Total credit requirements for graduation remain at 27. This change is due to an increased focus on college, career, and industry-based education.

2. Pediatric Therapy Specialists, Inc. – Contractual Agreement

Approve the contractual agreement between the Fox Chapel Area School District and Pediatric Therapy Specialists, Inc. for occupational therapy services effective July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021.

3. Stipulated Adjudication

Approve the stipulated adjudication for unnamed student dated January 21, 2019.

LEGISLATION/POLICY

E. Legislation/Policy

On motion by Mr. Schmidt and seconded by Mrs. Garbisch, it was unanimously resolved to approve the following Legislation/Policy item:

1. Policy – Revised

Approve the following revised policy:

No. 915 – Nonschool-Affiliated Organizations (NSAO)

PERSONNEL

F. Personnel

On motion by Mrs. Rutkowski and seconded by Mrs. Garbisch, it was unanimously resolved to approve the following Personnel items:

Candidates for employment under this section are approved subject to verification of the results of physical and drug screening examinations, required clearances, and all other essential employment requirements under Policy and Administrative Regulations 304-AR and 304-AR-4.

1. Resignations

a. Administration

- (1) The resignation of Sari L. Brecosky, director of literacy for the Fox Chapel Area School District, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective July 1, 2019.

b. Professional

- (1) The resignation of Kathleen R. Borz, special education teacher at Fox Chapel Area High School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (2) The resignation of John A. Broderick, special education teacher at Fox Chapel Area High School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (3) The resignation of Deborah S. Burnett, elementary teacher at O'Hara Elementary School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (4) The resignation of Janet G. Fazzini, guidance counselor at Hartwood Elementary School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (5) The resignation of Myriam Fontes, Spanish teacher at Fox Chapel Area High School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (6) The resignation of Shawn D. Funk, music teacher at O'Hara Elementary School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (7) The resignation of Beth M. Ivins, elementary teacher at O'Hara Elementary School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (8) The resignation of Peter P. Pinko, science teacher at Dorseyville Middle School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (9) The resignation of Sherrie L. Reuter, reading teacher at Kerr Elementary School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (10) The resignation of Margaret Rice, reading teacher at O'Hara Elementary School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (11) The resignation of Kathleen C. Scigliano, Spanish teacher at Fox Chapel Area High School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (12) The resignation of Elizabeth L. Voltz, elementary teacher at Fairview Elementary School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- (13) The resignation of Michael L. Wolinsky, technology education teacher at Dorseyville Middle School, under the retirement incentive approved at the May 8, 2017, Board meeting, is accepted effective the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

c. Educational Support

- (1) The resignation of Joseph A. Gibson, personal care assistant at Dorseyville Middle School, due to personal reasons, is accepted effective February 7, 2019.

d. Nutrition Center

- (1) The resignation of Carrie L. McCully, nutrition center employee at Dorseyville Middle School, due to personal reasons, is accepted effective January 11, 2019.

e. Supplemental Contracts – Athletic

- (1) The resignation of Abigail E. Dorrance, girls' lacrosse 2nd assistant coach at Fox Chapel Area High School, due to personal reasons, is accepted effective December 20, 2018.
- (2) The resignation of David C. Kotts, JV baseball head coach at Fox Chapel Area High School, due to personal reasons, is accepted effective January 3, 2019.

2. Leaves

a. Professional

- (1) Katie E. Altieri, physical education teacher for the elementary program, is approved for childrearing/adoption leave, under Article Eleven (D) of the Fox Chapel Educators Association Collective Bargaining Agreement, effective February 21, 2019, with return scheduled for May 20, 2019.
- (2) Breane M. DeComo, mathematics teacher at Dorseyville Middle School, is ratified for a second-semester medical sabbatical, effective January 21, 2019, with return scheduled for the first day of the 2019-2020 school year.
- (3) Sarah S. Dixon, art teacher at Fairview Elementary School, is approved for childrearing/adoption leave, under Article Eleven (D) of the Fox Chapel Educators Association Collective Bargaining Agreement, effective February 25, 2019, with return scheduled for May 29, 2019.
- (4) Karina P. Grande, elementary teacher at Hartwood Elementary School, is approved for a first-semester educational sabbatical, effective the first day of the 2019-2020 school year, with return scheduled for the first day of the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year.
- (5) Jessica M. Stanley, special education teacher at O'Hara Elementary School, is approved for a one-year educational sabbatical, effective the first day of the 2019-2020 school year, with return scheduled for the first day of the 2020-2021 school year.

3. Leave Replacements

a. Professional

- (1) Daniel D. Lebo is ratified as a second-semester leave replacement music teacher for the elementary program. This position is available due to the retirement of A. Gale Terenzio.

Certification: Instructional I
Education: B.S., Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 2018
Experience: Student Teacher, Norwin School District
Student Teacher, Greater Latrobe School District
Effective: January 17, 2019 - Day after last day for students for the 2018-2019 school year
Salary: \$47,048 (prorated) based on Step 1, B+0
Fringe Benefits: As Per Collective Bargaining Agreement

- (2) Taryn L. Maleski is ratified as a second-semester leave replacement mathematics teacher at Dorseyville Middle School. This position is available due to the medical sabbatical of Breane DeComo.

Certification: Instructional I
Education: B.S., Duquesne University, 2017
Experience: Substitute, Fox Chapel Area School District
Effective: January 18, 2019 - Day after last day for students for the 2018-2019 school year
Salary: \$47,048 (prorated) based on Step 1, B+0
Fringe Benefits: As Per Collective Bargaining Agreement

4. Appointments

a. School Police Officer

- (1) Shannon Santucci-Davis is ratified as a school police officer for the Fox Chapel Area School District, effective February 4, 2019, per the employment agreement. This position is available due to the resignation of Brittany Burkhardt.

b. Employment Agreement

- (1) Mary B. Wiseman, Ed.D., is approved as the applications systems manager for the Fox Chapel Area School District, effective date to be determined, per the employment agreement. This position is available due to the resignation of Lawrence Deer.

c. Educational Support

- (1) Cheryl K. Garbark is ratified as a personal care assistant at Hartwood Elementary School, effective January 28, 2019. Salary is set based on the salary scale for personal care assistants, Step 1, with benefits as per the Fox Chapel Area Education Support Professionals Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. This position is available due to resignation of Jeanine Boerio.
- (2) Christine L. Noffsinger is ratified as a 12-month building secretary at O'Hara Elementary School, effective January 18, 2019. Salary is set based on the salary scale for 12-month secretaries, Step 3, with benefits as per the Fox Chapel Area Education Support Professionals Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. This position is available due to the transfer of Sandra Stewart.

d. Nutrition Center

- (1) Sherry L. Dugan is ratified as a permanent, part-time (5.25 hours per day) nutrition center employee in the Fox Chapel Area High School cafeteria. Hourly salary is set at \$10.00 per hour with no fringe benefits, effective January 2, 2019. This position is available due to the resignation of Jennifer Detwiler.

e. Custodial/Maintenance

- (1) Austin D. Selkowitz is approved as a 10-month, 8-hour per day custodian at Dorseyville Middle School and Hartwood Elementary School, effective February 12, 2019. Salary and benefits will be set as per the Service Employees International Union Local 32BJ Collective Bargaining Agreement. This position is available due to the retirement of John Dean.

- (2) Donald A. Wright is approved as a 10-month, 8-hour per day custodian at Fox Chapel Area High School, effective February 12, 2019. Salary and benefits will be set as per the Service Employees International Union Local 32BJ Collective Bargaining Agreement. This position is available due to the resignation of Thomas Gent.

f. Supplemental Contracts – Athletic

- (1) The following athletic supplemental contracts are approved, effective March 4, 2019:

Corrie N. Anderson	Lacrosse Girls' 1st Asst. Coach – HS	\$3,594.00
Joseph L. Burger	JV Baseball Head Coach – HS	\$3,950.00
James W. Muir	Softball Assistant Coach – MS	\$2,905.00
Steven A. Schwartz	Boys' Volleyball Head Coach (50%) – MS	\$1,616.00
Betsy A. Slagel	Boys' Volleyball Head Coach (50%) – MS	\$1,616.00
Jerry J. Susi	Baseball Assistant Coach – MS	\$2,638.00
Sarah M. Vogel	Softball Head Coach – MS	\$3,277.00

g. Supplemental Contracts – Non-Athletic

- (1) The following non-athletic supplemental contracts are ratified, effective January 21, 2019:

Gabrielle R. Abati	Mentor Teacher – O'Hara	\$1,043.00
Season A. Gigliotti	Eighth Grade Class Sponsor (25%)	\$ 738.75
Daniel D. Lebo	Elem. Orchestra Director – Hartwood (50%)	\$1,482.00
Erin E. Wetherill	Eighth Grade Class Sponsor (25%)	\$ 738.75
Brian E. Yanizeski	Mentor Teacher – HS	\$1,043.00

5. Extra Innings

- a. Debra J. Fetterman is ratified as an Extra Innings substitute teacher for the 2018-2019 school term at a rate of \$30.00 per hour for a maximum of 65 hours.

6. Volunteer – Athletic

- a. The following athletic volunteer is ratified, effective January 16, 2019:

Zachary Metkler Strength & Conditioning

OPERATIONS/COOPERATIVE SERVICES

G. Operations/Cooperative Services

On motion by Mrs. Garbisch and seconded by Mrs. Rutkowski, it was unanimously resolved to approve the following Operations/Cooperative Services items:

1. December 2019 School Board Meetings – Reschedule

Approve rescheduling the December 2, 2019, School Board meetings to Tuesday, December 3, 2019. The combined agenda study session and regular business meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the LGI Room at Fox Chapel Area High School, immediately followed by the reorganization meeting.

2. Change Order – Kerr Elementary School Project

Approve change order RC-001 at a cost of \$2,880.00 for the Kerr Elementary School project pending PDE approval of Plancon Part I.

3. Special Olympics Pennsylvania – Memorandum of Understanding

Approve the memorandum of understanding summarizing the partnership between the Fox Chapel Area School District and Special Olympics Pennsylvania (SOPA) for the Interscholastic Unified Track and Field program effective March 4, 2019, through June 30, 2019.

4. OfficeTeam – Staffing Agreement

Ratify the agreement between the Fox Chapel Area School District and OfficeTeam to provide temporary staffing services effective January 31, 2019.

5. Resolution 2019-2

Approve resolution 2019-2 recognizing certain Nonschool-Affiliated Organizations (NSAO), as that term is defined in Board policy 915.

6. Agreement – Fox Chapel Authority

Approve the agreement between the Fox Chapel Area School District and the Fox Chapel Authority to provide water service to the newly constructed Kerr Elementary School effective February 11, 2019.

FOX CHAPEL EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE

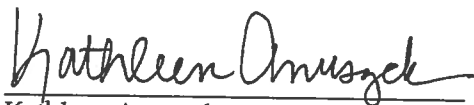
There was no report.

BOARD COMMENTS

There were three comments. Dr. Cook, Mrs. Garbisch, and Mr. Wirginis commented.

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.



Kathleen Anuszek
Board Secretary