

FORBES ROAD SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Forbes Road School Board met in regular session on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:13 pm in the high school library.

Members of the board present were Merrill Arnold, Kathy Baker, Brian Barton, Margaret Bolinger, Janet Fittry, Dulce Hall, Byron Helsel and Kirby Shoemaker. Board member Damon Schoen was absent. Others present were: Superintendent Mark Loucks, Solicitor Patrick Fanelli, Randy Gelvin, Maria Scott Bollman, Bethany Strait, John Mixell, Courtney Hykes, Brandi Robertson and Lori Kendall.

General Information

On a Baker/Helsel motion the February 5, 2018 minutes were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On an Arnold/Hall motion the February treasurer's report was approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Helsel motion the March bills totaling \$394,898.96 were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

During the VoTech update Mr. Loucks commented the development of various programs are underway.

John Mixell reported the Little League will be donating topsoil dressing for the softball field in the Maintenance/Building and Grounds update. The Maintenance Staff and the Little League will work together to apply the topsoil.

In the Elementary update Maria Scott Bollman informed the board that Niche.com rated Forbes Road Elementary School and its teacher's number 1 of schools and teachers in Fulton County. She stated that PSSA Boot Camp is underway with 74% of students grades 3-6 participating. She went on to praise the Elementary and Cafeteria Staff for their efforts in making the ham pot pie fundraiser a success, selling 222 dinners, earning \$1,358 for elementary field trips. Mrs. Scott Bollman closed by reporting tickets sales for *Shrek The Musical* totaled \$5,244. This number shows 1/3 increase in attendance compared to past musicals.

In the High School update Randy Gelvin stated that the senior class trip was underway and Spring Sports practice has begun. He then made the board aware that April is PSSA testing month.

Mr. Loucks' District update focused on the outstanding success of *Shrek The Musical*, saying the performance was fantastic and what a unique situation we have at Forbes Road, to be small in numbers and have so many with great talent in our student body. He went on to credit the Directors, Pit Band, Costume Design and everyone involved with making the production a success.

There were no public comments.

High School and Elementary Guidance Counselors, Courtney Hykes and Brandi Robertson presented the Forbes Road School Districts Chapter 339 K-12 Comprehensive Guidance Plan to the board.

Election of Tuscarora IU Board Members was conducted by mail ballot.

On a Baker/Helsel motion, approval was given for Hays Driving School to increase the per student rate from \$220 to \$232 for 6 hours of behind the wheel instruction. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Helsel/Baker motion, approval was given to hire Diane Palmer for the substitute Vo-Ag teaching position beginning March 12 ending May 4, 2018 at the daily substitute rate. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Hall motion, approval was given for the Forbes Road coaching staff to attend certification classes. The classes will be in the areas of coaching principals and coaching first aid. The cost of the training is \$70 per coach. Twenty coaches from the District will be attending the classes for a total cost of \$1,400. Motion passed on a roll call vote with all members voting in favor with the exception of Brian Barton who abstained from voting.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, the following agenda items were approved: **(16)** student to participate in Southern Fulton Indians Trap Shooting, **(17)** a student to receive homebound instruction for medical reasons, **(18)** Cheerleaders to attend summer camp at Penn State Mont Alto July 20-22, 2018, **(19)** Forbes Road Lions Club to use the high school gym in case of inclement weather on Saturday morning, March 31, 2018 for the annual Easter Egg Hunt, **(20)** change the 6th grade field trip to Washington DC from May 11, 2018 to May 10, 2018 due to a busing conflict. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Arnold motion, approval was given for Amanda Brown to take students grades 2-6 for an AR incentive trip to an Altoona Curve game on Wednesday, May 9, 2018. Students qualify by meeting grade level AR goals or by meeting their IEP goals. Approximately 120 students will meet the necessary requirements. The cost of the trip will be split between the library budget and the elementary field trip fund. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Hall motion, approval was given for the "I Am Second" group to use the school building on Saturday mornings at 8:00 am. Motion carried unanimously.

The board met in executive session from 8:05 pm-9:00 pm for contractual reasons. Board members present were Merrill Arnold, Kathy Baker, Brian Barton, Margaret Bolinger, Janet Fittry, Dulce Hall, Byron Helsel, Kirby Shoemaker. Board member Damon Schoen was absent. Others present were, Mark Loucks, Patrick Fanelli, Maria Scott Bollman, Bethany Strait and Randy Gelvin.

Regular session resumed at 9:00 pm. A roll call vote was held to approve a tentative new collective bargaining agreement with the Forbes Road Education Association, effective July 1, 2018, thorough June 30, 2021. All board members voted yes with the exception of Damon Schoen and Dulce Hall who were absent at the time of voting.



Kirby Shoemaker

President



Tammy Fraker

Board Secretary