

FORBES ROAD SCHOOL DISTRICT

August 7, 2017

The Forbes Road School Board met in regular session on Monday August 7, 2017, 7:05 pm in the high school library.

Members of the school board present were Merrill Arnold, Brian Barton, Margaret Bolinger, Damon Schoen, Kathy Baker, Byron Helsel and Kirby Shoemaker. Board members Chanin Rotz-Mountz and Stacie Keller were absent.

Others present were Randy Gelvin, Maria Scott Bollman, Bethany Strait, John Mixell and Janet Fittry.

On a Helsel/Baker motion, the June 5, 2017 minutes were approved. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Helsel/Arnold motion, the June/July treasurer's reports were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, the Outstanding Bills from June totaling \$113,324.96 and July/August expenses totaling \$294,956.02 were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helsel and Mr. Loucks gave the Vo-Tech update. Vo-Tech is searching for a new director. Applications have been received and the interview date has been set.

On the building and grounds update Mr. Mixell reported the school building summer cleaning is 90 percent complete and the old school is about 85 percent ready for NHS services. Mr. Gelvin and Mr. Loucks commended the maintenance staff for the wonderful job they have done this summer. Mr. Helsel questioned if any advertisements were displayed on school property. Mr. Mixell responded yes, during regular season and on the scoreboard.

During the elementary update Mrs. Scott-Bollman stated things are full steam ahead for the beginning of the 2017-18 school year. Forbes Road Rocks will be this year's theme. She was pleased to announce that Forbes Road received the PATTAN grant. This grant will be used to improve reading scores.

Mr. Gelvin informed the board final preparation is underway for the new school year. Student schedules have been sent and teacher schedules are set to go out in the mail later this week.

In District news, Mr. Loucks reported he and Mr. Gelvin attended a PDE Leadership Conference. He recognized High School Guidance, Courtney Hykes for the extra time she has put in this summer to ensure schedules were done in a timely manner.

During the public comment section of the meeting Janet Fittry expressed concern regarding the future of the Forbes Road band. Mr. Loucks assured her the plan to move forward has been well thought out by administration and many different aspects of moving forward have been taken into consideration. Mr. Loucks invited Mrs. Fittry to schedule a meeting with Mr. Gelvin and himself where they could discuss the issue in further detail.

On a Helsel/Baker motion approval was given for the following agenda items: Retroactive approval to hold Summer Band Camp July 17-21, 2017. Retain the services of Educere, a credit recovery program (summer school) at no cost to the district. Enter into an agreement with Strawbridge Studios Inc. for school pictures. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Schoen motion the following agenda items were approved: Permission for Kathy Kendall to use the Forbes Road Soccer Fields to allow children age's birth through 14 years old to participate in the Elks Local Soccer Shoot. Permission for Scott Knepper to use the elementary gym for elementary boys' basketball recreation. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion 2017-18 musical advisors and their extracurricular pay was approved as follows: Lisa Black- Staging (\$1,575.00), Roey Martz-Drama (\$1,575.00) and Cindy Robinette- Music/Pitt Band (\$400.00). Motion carried unanimously.

On a roll call vote the FCAVTS 2017-18 budget for \$1,026,972.00 was denied with Merrill Arnold, Margaret Bolinger, Byron Helsel and Kirby Shoemaker voting No, Kathy Baker and Brian Barton voted Yes, Damon Schoen Abstained from voting. Board members Stacie Keller and Chanin Rotz-Mountz were absent.

On Bolinger/Baker motion approval was given to the Educator's Dental Consortium proposal. Entering into this consortium will be a savings of \$4,141.00 annually to the District. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Helsel/Schoen motion approval was to hire Kayla Brunening for the chemistry teaching position. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Schoen/Barton motion approval was given to hire Heidi O'Neil for the Athletic Director/Nutrition Specialist positions at a stipend of \$5,000.00 for Athletic Director and \$2,500.00 for Nutrition Specialist. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Schoen/Barton motion approval was given to hire Sue Fleming as Food Prep Supervisor/Student Account Manager at a stipend of \$1,250.00. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Schoen motion approval was given to hire Rebecca Ayers for the Special Education Teaching position. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Schoen motion approval was given to add an Office Support Staff/Student Services position. Motion carried unanimously.

On an Arnold/Baker motion approval was given for a leave of absence for school nurse, Megan Mellott beginning August 21, 2017- November 1, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

On an Arnold/Baker motion the following agenda items were approved: Approval to pay Devin Lybarger \$1,000.00 for summer band camp. The stipend will be paid from Federal Grant Money. Approval for Devin Lybarger to complete his student teaching requirement during the 2017-18 spring semester (through Slippery Rock University) with Cindy Robinette serving as cooperative teacher. Approval for Cindy Robinette to serve as interim band director for the 2017-18 fall semester at a stipend of \$1,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Schoen/ Bolinger motion the following agenda items were approved: Approval for Justin Gelvin to use the soccer field for summer recreation from July to August for the jv/varsity boys' soccer program. Approval to accept the resignation of Jarrod Appleby as jr. high boys' basketball coach effective immediately. Approval to accept the resignation of Darius DeShong as elementary basketball coach effective immediately. Approval to accept the resignation of Chelsie McCulloch as jv girls' basketball coach effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

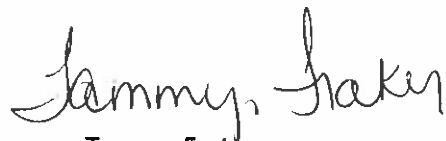
On a Baker/Bolinger motion approval was given to adopt the following policies as recommended by PSBA: 600 Finances, Procurement Attachment and PDE Guidance, 203 Pupils, Immunization and Communicable Diseases and 204 Pupils, Attendance.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion Board President, Kirby Shoemaker adjourned the meeting at 7:58 pm.

On August 7, 2017 at 8:02 the Forbes Road School Board met in executive session for personnel reasons. The executive session ended at 8:12 pm.

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Kirby Shoemaker
President

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Tammy Fraker
Secretary