

General Information

The Forbes Road School Board met in an administrative committee virtual meeting on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 7:00 pm. Members of the Board present were Kathy Baker, Brian Barton, Margaret Bolinger, Cassie Broadwater (7:10 pm), Sean Fraker, Dulce Hall, Lori Kendall, Kirby Shoemaker and Stacey Wyles.

Others present were Superintendent Dr. Maria Scott-Bollman, Randy Gelvin, Amanda Brown, Tim Cummings, Chris Seymore, Beth Locke, Heidi O'Neal, Kristie Hohman, Jim Lupey and members of the community.

The following action was taken at the meeting.

Public Comment

Jim Lupey spoke during public comment regarding the new security system. SPO Tim Cummings addressed Mr. Lupey's questions on the School Gate Guardian system.

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On a Broadwater/Fraker motion, approval was given for the following motions: (4) revisions to the Forbes Road Elementary Schoolwide Plan (5) the Memorandum of Understanding between Forbes Road School District and Bedford Fulton Head Start for the 2021-2022 school year (6) the Consolidated Application which includes Title I, II and IV. Motions carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, Board President Kirby Shoemaker adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

The Forbes Road School Board met in a regular virtual meeting on Monday, November 1, 2021, at 7:00 pm. Members of the Board present were Kathy Baker, Brian Barton, Margaret Bolinger, Cassie Broadwater, Sean Fraker, Dulce Hall, Lori Kendall, Kirby Shoemaker and Stacey Wyles. Others present were Superintendent Dr. Maria Scott-Bollman, Solicitor Patrick Fanelli, Amanda Brown, Randy Gelvin, Heidi O'Neal, Beth Locke and Chris Seymore.

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On a Broadwater/Bolinger motion, approval was given for the September 28, 2021, administrative committee minutes and the October 6, 2021, regular minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Kendall motion, the October treasurer's report was approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, the November bills totaling \$310,879.95 were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Superintendent Dr. Maria Scott-Bollman began the Fulton County Center for Career and Technology update with a reminder of an upcoming FCCCT open house that will be held on November 18, 2021, from 5:00-8:00 pm. She then spoke of a recent Occupational Advisory Committee meeting that Automotive Technology Instructor Alan Shives attended. The Committee made recommendations to consider for additional equipment purchases and additional certifications. Facilities Manager Chris Seymore added updates on the welding shop expanding to add new welding booths, fume extractors and an exhaust recovery system.

The Maintenance/Building and Grounds update was next on the agenda. Facilities Manager Chris Seymore reported the maintenance staff were preparing the gym for basketball season as well as winter maintenance such as snow removal. He then stated Blair Roofing were almost finished with the elementary roof repair. Speaking of the old school heating system, Mr. Seymore was pleased to report the boiler started and seemed to be running smoothly. He concluded the update by saying an environmental survey conducted by CES engineering is almost complete and bids packets for the HVAC project can be expected within the next 45 days.

Pandemic Coordinator/School Nurse Beth Locke gave the most recent COVID-19 data for the week ending October 31, 2021. She stated a total of 56 cases have been reported county wide, with 15 of those cases being in the district. Mrs. Locke then gave year to date district totals as follows: 29 total positive cases in the elementary, 13 total positive high school cases and district total k-12 staff to include transportation having a total of 5 positive cases. The pandemic coordinator finished by saying all the students who are currently quarantined will be able to return to school by the end of the week.

Technology Director Amanda Brown gave a brief technology update stating the new website is being tweaked and day to day operations are continuing.

Athletic Director Heidi O'Neal began her update with news of winter sports physicals to be held on November 2, 2021, as well as the first round of State Playoffs for the Field Hockey team to be held on November 9, 2021. Ms. O'Neal then informed the board the first official day of practice for winter sports will be on November 19, 2021. For her cafeteria update she stated 3,438 breakfasts and 3,349 lunches were served in the month of October for a total reimbursement of \$24,183.78.

High School Principal Randy Gelvin began his update by thanking FRESH, Kathy Baker and Natasha Waters for a recent movie and popcorn assembly held for high school students. The principal commented on how well behaved and respectful students were during the event. He then reported that AIMSweb testing is complete with better than anticipated results. Mr. Gelvin

expressed appreciation for Shannon Brown and fellow teachers for working through the testing process. He then made the board aware that the first marking period ended on October 29, 2021, and report cards will be distributed on Friday, November 5, 2021.

Superintendent Dr. Maria Scott-Bollman began the elementary update with details on the first round of MTSS meetings and progress monitoring in reading and math. The Superintendent spoke of CDT testing in reading and math being the best predictor for PSA results. She then moved on the recent Pennsylvania Youth Survey (PAYS) given every two years, explaining that the results from the survey are used to determine funding for abuse prevention resources and outreach. To conclude the elementary update Dr. Scott-Bollman reminded everyone of the annual Christmas project, "Angels to the rescue".

Focusing next on the district update, Dr. Scott-Bollman reported that Title I-IV applications have been submitted for review and the district is still waiting on ESSER III funding. The Superintendent referenced an article published by US News and World Reports on PA School Rankings where Forbes Road Elementary ranked 347 out of 1,725 elementary schools in Pennsylvania and Forbes Road High School ranked 167 out of 711 high school in Pennsylvania. Dr. Scott-Bollman concluded with news that cyber school enrollment within the district has dropped from seventeen students last year to ten this year.

Jim Lupey spoke during public comment on the need to bring back a band and music program, morale within the district and a recent school newsletter.

Financial

On a Baker/Fraker motion, approval was given for the 2021-2022 extra-curricular positions/salaries as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Fraker/Broadwater motion, approval was given for Snyder Bus Lines to install a 500-gallon fuel tank on school premises. Snyder Bus Lines will assume the cost of installation, maintenance and insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous

On a Baker/Bolinger motion, approval was given to remove the SAT requirement from the senior portfolio. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Hall/Broadwater motion, approval was given for a shortened drama presentation (i.e., dinner theater) in the spring with salaries to be determined based upon the scope of the event. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Fraker/Kendall motion, approval was given for Mindy Horne/Forbes Road Field Hockey to use the old gym and girl's locker room to hold an elementary field hockey skills camp on February 19, 2022, from 10:00 am -3:00 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Baker motion, approval was given for a high school student to receive homebound instruction on an as needed basis upon doctors' orders. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Fraker/Bolinger motion, approval was given to excuse jr. firefighters in case of an emergency when their help would be needed. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel

On a Baker/Fraker motion, approval was given to retroactively hire school psychologist, Megan Skillings, as an independent contractor to perform psychological evaluations at a rate of \$850 per evaluation plus mileage on an as-needed basis.


On a Bolinger/Fraker motion, approval was given to add Haley Hiles as a substitute transportation aide pending the receipt of necessary clearances. Motion carried unanimously.


On a Baker/Hall motion, approval was given to hire Alexis Fogal for the jr. high girls' basketball coaching position. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Baker/Fraker motion, approval was given for Hannah Brady to be added to the substitute teachers list. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bolinger/Fraker motion, approval was given for Jason Horton to serve as a mentor to Tyler Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Fraker/Baker motion, Board President Kirby Shoemaker adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm. Motion carried unanimously.


Kathy Baker
School Board President


Tammy Fraker
School Board Secretary