Fannett-Metal School District Willow Hill, Pennsylvania 17271

The Fannett-Metal School Board held their regular meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library. Members present were Jason Goshorn, President; Sue Rosenberry, Vice-President, Cathy Adams, Shelly Boggs, Stacy Coffman, Amanda Guyer, Jordan Hurrell and Chad McClure. Tina McGee was the only member absent. Also present were Dr. Tara Will, Superintendent; Daniel Simpson, Business Manager; James Hogue, Director of Special Education and Pupil Services; Todd Best, Middle/High School Principal; Stephanie Shoemaker, Elementary Principal, Elliott Sulcove, Solicitor and Sandra Bloom, Board Secretary. The visitors' present were Lauren McCartney, Victor Andreine, Tina Neil and Lori Crider.

OPENING BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting opened with the School Board Members and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Positive Comments

Mrs. Stephanie Shoemaker gave Kudos to Mrs. Freda Dorand for a wonderful K-3 Music In Our Schools Concert.

Dr. Tara Will said FOFMA held their annual banquet on Saturday night which was very well attended and three people were inducted into the Wall of Fame, Mathern Mellott, David Hostetter and Frank Carter.

Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Shelly Boggs and seconded by Sue Rosenberry to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2025, Board Meeting. Voice vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Chad McClure and seconded by Jordan Hurrell to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2025, Work Session. Voice vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Financial Reports

Moved by Jordan Hurrell and seconded by Amanda Guyer to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Jordan Hurrell to approve the payment of invoices from March 7, 2025, through April 3, 2025. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Chad McClure to approve the Cafeteria Account Report as presented. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Jordan Hurrell to approve the Activity Account Report as presented. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

<u>Public Comment</u> – (3-minute limit per person – 21-minute total public comment) There were no public comments.

Administrative Reports

Dr. James Hogue said as of last Wednesday, our areas of corrective action- our Special Education paperwork errors that we got dinged on by the state in 2024, have been corrected. We received a letter from the state congratulating Fannett-Metal for achieving resolution to the noncompliance areas. Dr. Hogue also discussed with our school psych the need to lower her costs with us. She said that it is doable and will send him a revised cost structure this week or next. It is also that time of year to consider next school year, and which students may be placed in what classes next year, especially in the transition from elementary to secondary. He is having discussions with special education staff. We plan to potentially revise some IEPs at the end of this school year for the next school year due to differences in dynamic between elementary and secondary.

Mr. Todd Best said Mrs. Michelle Moore hosted an Early to College (ETC) Information Night for 10th and 11th grade and Mr. Best just received notification that Bedford Regional Community College received a grant that will cover the cost including tuition and books. Trooper Piper from the Pennsylvania State Police will be presenting to the student body on May 6, 2025, about internet and cyber safety including cyber bullying and sexting. A One-Call will go out to parents if they want to have their child opt-out of the presentation. Mr. Best met with Dr. Will, Mr. Greg Best, to discuss the possibility of a football co-op but it was decided it was not in the best interest of our fall sports. Mr. Best said he is also checking into the possibility of security at school events, particularly prom and graduation.

Mrs. Stephanie Shoemaker gave a data report on the PA Future Ready Index, requiring all students to be proficient by 2033. Mrs. Shoemaker also gave the Security Officer Mike Bowling's report. Officer Mike spent most of his hours on by doing physical security checks, camera surveillance, monitoring transitions between classes and lunch, reviewing our arrival and dismissals and approaching people to follow procedures and participating in trainings. The month of March he handled two assault/harassment/fights, four disruptive students, four unsecured doors, five fire/security drills, mentoring some students, one Safe to Say report, four threats and one with a weapon.

Dr. Tara Will said the Senior Trip departs Saturday for the beach, with 12 students going. Dr. Will also read a note from Leah's Legacy thanking the district for allowing them to speak to students. Dr. Will also had Solicitor Elliott Sulcove speak on a matter. Mr. Sulcove explain that districts are receiving an email from the Department of Education saying districts need to sign an agreement or they will pull federal funding. Shortly after a letter came from ACLU and the National Education Association saying the opposite. Dr. Will also reminded the board that the work session and board meeting for May will be earlier due to budget requirements.

DISCUSSION

There was no discussion.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Grounds Committee Report – No report.

Finance Committee Report – Mr. Daniel Simpson said last year Urban Grid gave a donation to the Fannett-Metal Education Foundation for two \$2,500 scholarships. This year they got IEA Contractors to match their donation for a total of \$10,000 – four \$2,500 scholarships. Mr. Simpson forwarded the information to Mrs. Moore to coordinate.

Policy and Personnel Committee Report – Sue Rosenberry said they held interviews, reviewed policies, handbooks, and discussed the Superintendent's Contract.

Transportation Committee Report – No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Policies

Moved by Amanda Guyer and seconded by Jordan Hurrell to approve the second reading of the following policies:

Policy 005	Organization
Policy 308	Employment Contract/Board Resolution
Policy 408	Employment Contract/Board Resolution
Policy 508	Employment Contract/Board Resolution
Policy 823	Opioid Antagonist

Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel

Coaches

Moved by Jordan Hurrell and seconded by Sue Rosenberry to appoint the following coach for the 2024-2025 school year (*denotes Bona Fide Volunteer):

Scott Naugle

Volunteer Varsity Baseball Coach

Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Engagement Letter

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Amanda Guyer to enter into legal services with Saxton & Stump, Lawyers and Consultants as Fannett-Metal School District moves to Saxton & Stump for the same scope of services provided by Stock and Leader, namely as Insurance Counsel for Special Education for the District and any and all other services mutually agreed upon by all parties. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Van Driver

Moved by Chad McClure and seconded by Jordan Hurrell to approve Isaac Henderson as a van driver for Weaver Busing, LLC for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Permission to Hire

Moved by Shelly Boggs and seconded by Stacy Coffman to hire Megan Shearer as a Part-time Cafeteria Worker at a rate of \$13.00 an hour. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Chad McClure and seconded by Stacy Coffman to hire Heather Gelwicks as a Substitute Cafeteria Worker at a rate of \$12.75 an hour. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Stacy Coffman to hire Jessica Gahan as a Secondary Social Studies Teacher pending the completion of her teacher certification program at Bachelors Certification, Step #1 salary per the Collective Bargaining Agreement for the 2025-2026 school year. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Retirement Resignation

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Jordan Hurrell to accept the following retirement resignations:

Mary Jo Hall from her position as First Grade Teacher effective June 2, 2025. Lori Martin from her position as Third Grade Teacher effective June 2, 2025.

Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Shoemaker commented that she is thrilled for them but sad to see them go. They have been an integral part of the elementary school for many years and thanks them for their dedication and hard work.

Permission to Advertise and Interview

Moved by Shelly Boggs and seconded by Amanda Guyer to approve the Administration's request to advertise and interview for a First Grade Teacher and a Third Grade Teacher. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Course Requests

Moved by Jordan Hurrell and seconded by Sue Rosenberry to approve the following course requests:

Ashley August Instructional Methods & Assessment of ELL

Starting May 19, 2025

Ashley August Practicum – Teaching ELL Starting June 30, 2025

Tristen Amsley Health Promotions for Persons with Disabilities

Starting June 2, 2025

Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Curriculum

Field Trip Requests

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Amanda Guyer to approve the following field trips:

Varsity Club – Pittsburgh PNC Park – May 1, 2025 – Paid by club Honors Band – Millersville University – May 16, 2025 – School Van High School Students – Roll R Way, Chambersburg, PA – May 23, 2025 – paid by Student Council

Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Extended School Year Program

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Shelly Boggs to approve an Extended School Year Program for two students from July 7, 2025 – July 24, 2025, Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. for a total of 12 days. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Extended Contract Services

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Cathy Adams to approve extended contract services for Robin Whitsel to be the Extended School Year Program teacher at a rate of \$49.20 per hour. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Building and Grounds

Building Use Request

Moved by Sue Rosenberry and seconded by Amanda Guyer to approve the following building use requests:

Metal Township Fire and Ambulance requests the use of the parking lot on Sunday, April 27, 2025, for emergency vehicle driver testing from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Legion baseball requests use of the baseball field from June 1, 2025 – July 31, 2025, for legion baseball practices and home games

Community Prayer Group requests the use of the outside school grounds on Sunday, August 17, 2025, for the annual Prayer Walk for the 2025-2026 school year from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Request for Proposal

Moved by Jordan Hurrell and seconded by Cathy Adams to advertise a Request for Proposal (RFP) for bids related to the water treatment system upgrade. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Policy

Policies

Moved by Shelly Boggs and seconded by Stacy Coffman to approve the first reading of the following policies:

Policy 103	Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Students
Policy 104	Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Staff
Policy 234	Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students

Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Budget and Finance

Franklin County Career and Technology Center Budget

Moved by Jordan Hurrell and seconded by Sue Rosenberry to approve the Franklin County Career and Technology Center's Proposed General Fund Budget for the 2025-2026 school year. Fannett-Metal School District's share is \$196,449 which is an increase of \$18,629. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Dates To Remember

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April 17, 2025 – Act 80 Day
April 18 – 21, 2025 – Easter Break
April 29, 2025 – Work Session – 6:30 p.m.
May 6, 2025 – Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
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REPORTS

Learning Center/LIU Report - No report

<u>Franklin County Career and Technology Center Joint Operating Committee Report</u> – Chad McClure said they discussed the budget.

<u>Safety Committee Report</u> – Mrs. Shoemaker said the safety committee is doing their recertification and she is working with Officer Mike as they plan to invite parents to attend Track and Field in the afternoons.

Jordan Hurrell asked about National Honor Society. Mr. Best said it was good, and they arranged for an induction ceremony.

Cathy Adams said second grade is doing a segment on worms and she gave a shout out to Keystone Country Store for giving them a discount on worms. Shelly Boggs is going to send them a thank you card.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Amanda Guyer and seconded by Cathy Adams to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. Voice vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Sandra D. Bloom

Board Secretary

Fannett-Metal School District Willow Hill, Pennsylvania 17271 Tuesday, April 29, 2025 Work Session Minutes

The Fannett-Metal School Board held their work session on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Members present were Jason Goshorn, President; Sue Rosenberry, Vice-President; Cathy Adams, Shelly Boggs, Stacy Coffman, Jordan Hurrell, Chad McClure and Tina McGee. Amanda Guyer was the only member absent. Also present were Dr. Tara Will, Superintendent, Daniel Simpson, Business Manager; Dr. James Hogue, Director of Special Education and Pupil Services; Todd Best, Middle/High School Principal; Stephanie Shoemaker, Elementary Principal and Sandra Bloom, Board Secretary. There were no visitors present.

OPENING BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting opened with the School Board Members and audience standing and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Positive Comment

Cathy Adams said the Prom Promise was well done and executed. There were 11 volunteers that had to take the day off from work to participate.

Dr. Tara Will said speakers came and spoke of their experiences in the afternoon and were wonderful. They are planning on doing the Prom Promise on a three-year rotation.

DISCUSSION:

No discussion.

The Board reviewed the proposed Board Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Policies

Approval is sought for the second reading of the following policies:

Policy 103	Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Students
Policy 104	Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Staff
Policy 234	Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel

A. Summer Work Schedule

Approval is sought to allow a four (4) ten-hour work week during the summer months effective June 2, 2025 – August 8, 2025.

B. Extended Contract Services

Approval is sought for extended contract services for five days for the 2025-2026 school year at per diem for Michelle Moore, Guidance Counselor.

C. Course Pre-Approval

Approval is sought for the following course requests:

Ashley August Subject Area Content Access for Students With Learning

Disabilities in a Standards Aligned System

Starting August 25, 2025

Ashley August Instruction for Students with High Incidence Disability

Starting August 25, 2025

Ronda Stepler Practicum in K-12 Schools in Learning, Design and Technology

Starting August 23, 2025

D. Resignation

Approval is sought to accept the following resignations:

- a. Stacy Wolf from her positions as Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach and Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball Coach effective immediately.
- b. Brett Hostler from his position as Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Coach effective immediately.

E. Retirement Resignation

Approval is sought to accept the retirement resignation of Lori Crider from her position as Fourth Grade Teacher effective June 2, 2025.

F. Permission to Advertise and Interview

Administration requests permission to advertise and interview for the following positions:

Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball Coach Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Coach Fourth Grade Teacher

G. School Psychologist Evaluations

- a. Approval is sought to contract with Megan Thomas, School Psychologist, for psychological evaluations and re-evaluations for the 2025-2026 school year on an as needed basis at a cost of \$1,050 per evaluation and \$450 for re-evaluations.
- b. Approval is sought to contract with Christine Chrostowski, School Psychologist, for psychological evaluations and re-evaluations for the 2025-2026 school year on an as needed basis at a cost of \$90 per review of Reevaluation Reports, \$1,000 per evaluation that includes a Functional Behavioral Assessment (FBA).

2. Curriculum

A. Letter of Agreement

Approval is sought to enter into a Letter of Agreement between TrueNorth Wellness Services and the Fannett-Metal School District for the designated time period of June 1, 2025, through June 1, 2026.

B. Cooperative Agreement

Approval is sought to terminate the Cooperative Agreement with Forbes Road School District for Jr. High Volleyball.

C. List of Graduates

Approve the list of names to be included in the Graduating Class of 2025 contingent upon each student satisfactorily completing all graduation requirements:

Benjamin Adams, Jr.	Wade Appleby	Landon Arnold
Jesse-James Bawell	Matthew Beaston	Cole Beecher
Quaylee Coble	Jake Coffman	Jason Cooper
Hayden Daihl	Lilian Daniel	Alexis Doyle
Hailey Filer	Abigail Frazier	Paisley Fyock
Alesha Goshorn	Jacob Goshorn	Adam Hammond
Owen Hampton	Kaleb Harris	Broc Hostler
Shelby Kauffman	Evan Keck	Lauren Kline
Kyra Kotmair	Parker Lantz	Dayna Leininger
Sadie McAllen	Savannah Rogers	Corbin Rosenberry
Kaden Rosenberry	Ayden Ryder	Tucker Seibert
Laken Steel	Ava Thompson	Trevor Umbrell
Anthony Varner	Jamie Walters	Kirsten Wilson
Evan Wingert	Sadie Wolf	

D. Field Trip Requests

Approval is sought for the following field trip request:

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Gifted Education – Whitaker Center, Harrisburg, PA – May 8, 2025 – School Van FM Ag Club – Oregan Road, CCC Camps in Fulton County – May 29, 2025 – Paid by FM Ag Club Class of 2026 – Virginia Beach – April 8-April 12, 2026 – Paid by Class
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E. NJROTC Memorandum of Understanding

Approval is sought to enter a Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corp Memorandum of Understanding with Chambersburg Area School District. By entering into the agreement, the district would be obligated to pay \$2,100 per seat per year for up to three seats if any students participate in the program.

Building and Grounds

A. Water System Improvement Project

Approval is sought for the proposal from Triad Engineering, Inc. for geotechnical exploration services in conjunction with the water system upgrade project in the amount of \$6,900.

3. Policy

A. Policy Compilation

Approval is sought to combine Section 300, Administrative Employees; Section 400, Professional Employees and Section 500, Classified Employees of the Fannett-Metal School Board Policies and reclassify them as Section 300, Employees.

4. Budget and Finance

A. Districtwide Substitute

Administration requests permission to utilize a dedicated districtwide substitute through ESS for the 2025-2026 school year.

B. Preliminary General Fund Budget

Preliminary approval of the 2025-2026 General Fund Budget for the Fannett-Metal School District which includes revenues of \$9,156,882 and expenditures of \$9,380,632.

C. Designation of Depositories

Approval is sought for the following depositories:

Path Valley Office of Juniata Valley Bank as depository for all general accounts Juniata Valley Bank as payroll account depository Juniata Valley Bank and PSDLAF (PA School District Liquid Asset Fund) as reserve funds depositories

Dates To Remember

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May 3, 2025 – Donkey Basketball – 6:00 p.m.
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May 6, 2025 – Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

May 7, 2025 – Academic Banquet – 6:00 p.m.

May 12, 2025 – Athletic Banquet – 6:00 p.m.

May 18, 2025 – Baccalaureate, Upper Path Valley Presbyterian Church – 6:30 p.m.

May 30, 2025 – Last day of school. Early dismissal for students.

May 30, 2025 – Commencement – 7:00 p.m.

June 3, 2025 – Work Session – 6:30 p.m.

June 10, 2025 – Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. The Board went into Executive Session for personnel matters and did not reconvene the work session.

Sandra D. Bloom Board Secretary