

Sabillasville Environmental School

Board of Directors Meeting

September 8, 2025 6:01PM

Members in attendance: Shelby Green, Denny Willard, Sheena Talley, Janet Boden, Emily Darling, Justine Rodgers, Emily Darling, Alisha Yocum, Robert Black, Dianne Brauning

Remote: Jeffrey Finch, Sadie Wiles

- I. Approval of the agenda as submitted was moved by J. Rodgers, Seconded by J. Boden.
- II. Alisha called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. There was no public comment.
- III. Approval for the July Minutes was moved by D. Willard, and seconded by E. Darling
- IV. Financials(J. Finch)
 - A. Undergoing the audit and are awaiting for the all clear from FCPS.
- V. Principals Report (S. Talley)
 - A. Mr. Beers started today in Media class and comes to us from York County with many years of experience.
 - B. Ms. Dana Clapsaddle is our new SEIA and started Sept 2nd with 24 years experience
 - C. Kudos Calls: We have a staff goal to make positive calls or contacts to families this month doing great things showing acts of kindness working hard in their classes.
 - D. Enrollment- As of today enrollment is as follows: K-24, 1-24, 2-25, 3-21, 4-22, 5-24, 6-24, 7-12, 8-21.
 - E. School Improvement:
 - 1. The Recruitment Committee has been working on setting up for the community show and Fair and events throughout the school year across the county.
 - 2. School Improvement
 - a) Started beginning of year assessments; KRA, Dibels, and I-Ready
 - b) Dr. Aliveto will be visiting and looking at some of the things we are doing.
 - c) Today we had a professional learning session on classical pedagogy focusing on wonder & curiosity in partnership with FCCS. This is part of the initiative to fill the FCPS feedback during our annual review for providing POD on the classical method.
 - 3. The community show was a wonderful display and many students and staff participated. The Great Frederick Fair is next week and we will have many students participating in that as well.
 - 4. Security System- FCPS proposed \$1600 for the new security system but was able to access the new system this morning. No details have been provided from FCPS.
 - VI. Facilities (A. Yocum)
 - A. Pannels- still on the to do list, waiting on a solid budget to move forward with decisions.

- B. Well Pump- had to be replaced, and are still experiencing some issues on the electrical side.
- C. Fire Alarm-Landline Connection- those connections will be sunsetted so we will need to update those in the future. No further info has been provided. Still no communication from FCPS.
- D. The snow removal proposal was submitted by the same vendor, and prices have not increased. The board agreed to maintain the same contractor.

VII. Bricks of the retaining wall (J. Rodgers)- Justine has made significant progress in locating vendors for the brick engraving, still working on logistics.

VIII. Grants (E. Darling)- Emily found a contact from Emmitsburg Library, and advised us of the Franklin and Bess Gladhill Fund. There is one through The Community Foundation called the Impact Grant- supporting projects that improve frederick county life grant.

IX. Outreach (A. Yocum)- Covered in the Principals report with community show and The Great Frederick Fair, and outreach committee.

X. PTO updates (D. Brauning)-

- A. Fall Family Fun Night Nov 1st 4-6pm.
- B. NY Bus trip planned for 12/13 this year.
- C. PTO will be doing the fresh wreath fundraiser again this year. Looking to start making them after Thanksgiving.
- D. Book fair will be a part of Mountain Fest, and having it open throughout the week for parents to join students in picking out books.
- E. Skate night is looking like January.
- F. The next meeting will be Tuesday October 6th.

XI. Motion to Adjourn was made by R. Black, Seconded by J. Rodgers. The meeting adjourned at 6:42 and moved to the closed session.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelby Green