Forest Area Community Schools
Board of Education
August 10, 2026

The Forest Area Community Schools Board of Education Meeting was called to order by President Dan Smith at 6:31 p.m.

Roll Call: Dan Smith, Chrissy Ingersoll **(ab),** Joanna Durfee **(ab)**, Travis Tracey, Hannah Bird, Adam Schaefer, Kari Morgan

Motion by: H. Bird supported T. Tracey to approve the agenda, minutes. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments: None

Principals Report - Konrad Molter: None

Principals Report - Kirsten Wooer:

- FLE Library/Intervention area….2 year phase of reworking the space. This year new carpet, new paint, new coat hooks. New desks/chairs for all the ParaPros. On the library side there will be a circulation desk and a new book drop.
- The resignation of Kathy hits hard, she's the heartbeat of the school.

Superintendent - Mike Moran:

- School starts in a few short weeks, excited to have people back in the building.
- Summer projects wrapping up, FLE space coming along nicely. Staff working hard to get stuff done prior to the start of school.

Student Report - None

Board Comment:

- K. Morgan - We are diving head first into fall sports. Numbers are looking good so far.
- H. Bird - None
- D. Smith - SEEDS final day of summer, they had a great turnout, kids had a good time. Elementary is a bit chaotic but is looking good.
- A. Schaefer - Happy with how the baseball/softball fields look. Elementary looks good too

Discussion:

- 2026 Summer Project Update:
    - 10 classrooms carpeted this summer, HS hallways have been recarpeted. FLE Intervention area has new carpet. Next summer we will do the rest of the district with carpet. Boiler room holding/pressure tanks were removed and replaced. New more efficient/smaller tanks. MS/HS parking lot has been resealed. Softball/Baseball fields look awesome, took 2 weeks to complete. Safety bollards have been installed through the district. A lot of painting has happened this summer to spruce up the district.

- Warrior Welcome/First Day of school - looking forward to getting people back in the buildings.

Action Items:

- **Motion by** T. Tracey supported by K. Morgan to approve the hiring of Amy Alger - 5th Grade teacher. Motion carried

- **Motion by** A. Schaefer supported by T. Tracey to approve the hiring of Nicole Wierman - 4th Grade Teacher. Motion carried

- **Motion by** T. Tracey supported by A. Schaefer to accept the resignation of FLE Secretary Kathy Bigelow. Motion carried

- **Motion by** T. Tracey supported by A. Schaefer to accept the resignation of bus driver Monique Howard. Motion carried

- **Motion by** A. Schaefer supported by T. Tracey to approve the 2026-27 MS/HS Student Handbook. Motion carried

- **Motion by** A. Schaefer supported by T. Tracey to approve the 2026-27 MS/HS Course Catalog. Motion carried

- **Motion by** T. Tracey supported by K. Morgan to approve the 2026-27 MS/HS Athletic Handbook. Motion carried

- **Motion by** T. Tracey supported by A. Schaefer to approve the 2026-27 Fife Lake Elementary Course Catalog. Motion carried

- **Motion by** by T. Tracey supported by A. Schaefer to approve the Kalkaska County Sheriff's Department Contract. Motion carried

- **Motion by** T. Tracey supported by A. Schaefer to approve Compensation of Board Members $30 per meeting. Motion carried
- **Motion by** A. Schaefer supported by T. Tracey to approve Authorizing the hiring of personnel by Mike Moran. Motion carried

- **Motion by** A. Schaefer supported by T. Tracey to approve the June 10, 2026 Thrun Policy Updates. Motion carried

- **Motion by** H. Bird supported by T. Tracey to approve the Fife Lake Library Contract for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion carried

Motion by H. Bird supported by T. Tracey to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried

Recording Secretary

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