

Forest Area Community Schools
Board of Education
October 13, 2025

The Forest Area Community Schools Board of Education Meeting was called to order by President Dan Smith at 6:30 p.m.

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

Motion by: C. Ingersoll supported by H. Bird to approve the agenda, minutes. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments:

- A. Jones - MS VC girls improved immensely.
- S. Ritchie - Farmers Market at FLE, very well received with fresh produce.
- L. Magee - It's been a great 31 years, best group of staff.

Principals Report - Konrad Molter: Students of the Month: MS is Ava Schaefer and Mason Helsel. HS is Gillian Tompkins and Austin Lehr. Parent Teacher conferences will be 10/16 from 1-5 and 6-8. We will also have the Michigan State Police Hidden in Plain Sight Trailer here. Attendance policy and truancy.

Principals Report - Kirsten Wooer: Chartwell's Farmers Market was a huge success, students were able to select fresh produce from local farmers to take home. 5 staff members were able to attend the national "Reading League Conference", they presented the best science behind how to teach students to read and write proficiently. Continuing Teacher Clarity focus.

Superintendent - Mike Moran: State budget, we're not 100% clear on some areas, it will take a couple of state aid payments before we know how we are impacted. 25% increase in At Risk Funding, after losing funding in other areas. Meals will remain fully funded. Robotics increased 5.5%, great opportunity for students that don't have another outlet. Transportation funding will remain the same. Lots of moving parts. Strategic planning process, we are in the focus group stage. Tomorrow will be with students/staff and community gathering data. Welcome and thanks to Ryan from UHY to talk about the audit.

Student Report - Madison Kay: Everyone has been happy. Homecoming was this past weekend and sounds like fun was had by everyone.

Board Comment:

- H. Bird - Thanks to Mrs. Magee, you have done so much for the district and all the students. The farmers market was amazing, I loved seeing and hearing all the kids with their veggies.
- C. Ingersoll - Thanks Lisa for all her positively impacting students that have come through these doors. Fills in whenever she is needed
- A. Schaefer - nothing
- T. Tracey - nothing
- K. Morgan - Pop Warner football at 10:30 a.m. this weekend, hosting an all day event. Thanks Lisa for everything you've done for the district. Chartwell....the farmers market was amazing.
- D. Smith - kids loved the farmers market also.

Discussion: UHY Financial Audit presented by Ryan Howell. New class offering for S2 of 2025/26, Gone Boarding with Boone Scharp.

Action Items:

- **Motion by** C. Ingersoll supported by T. Tracey to approve the 2025-26 Snow Plow Contract. Motion carried
- **Motion by** C. Ingersoll supported by A. Schaefer to approve the Retirement of HS Special Ed Teacher Lisa Magee, effective January 16, 2026. Motion carried
- **Motion by** C. Ingersoll supported by H. Bird to approve the hiring of Tom Snyder as Varsity Basketball Coach. Motion carried.
- **Motion by** H. Bird supported by A. Schaefer to approve the hiring of Dan Smith as MS Boyd Basketball Coach. Motion carried with D. Smith abstaining.

Motion by C. Ingersoll supported by H. Bird to adjourn at 7:22. Motion carried

Recording Secretary



Susan Ingersoll