

Fabius-Pompey Central School District  
Board of Education Meeting  
**MINUTES**  
Tuesday, March 17, 2026  
Middle School-High School Library  
6:00 p.m. – Executive Session  
6:30 p.m. – Board of Education Meeting

**PRESENT:** Eric Exelby, President  
Denise Fresina DiRienzo, Vice President  
Alison Brainard, Board Member  
Rachel-Storm Heasley, Board Member  
Gina Myers, Board Member  
Carlena Wallace, Board Member  
Ava Lee, Ex Officio Board Member  
Ethan Ludke, Ex Officio Board Member

**ALSO PRESENT:** Lloyd L. Peck, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools  
Daniel S. Silky, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services  
Darci LaRose, Deputy District Clerk  
Jason Martin, Middle School-High School Principal  
Sasha Rasmussen, Elementary School Principal  
Jay Lang, Director of Curriculum

**ABSENT:** Lari Rutherford, Board Member

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

- a. Erik Exelby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Executive Session**

- a. A motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. for the discussion of personnel matters, contract negotiations, and potential litigation was made by Eric Exelby and seconded by Carlena Wallace. Motion carried 6-0. A motion to return to Open Session at 6:33 p.m. was made by Gina Myers.

**3. Approval of Agenda – Action**

- a. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Carlena Wallace and seconded by Denise Fresina DiRienzo. Motion carried 6-0.

**4. Comments from the Public - None**

**5. Superintendent's Report**

- a. Legal Counsel Update - Dr. Peck explained that the District's primary law firm is Hancock Estabrook, LLP. He noted that the District's primary contact attorney has left the firm and a replacement is being identified. In the interim, Frank Miller will serve as the District's contact.
- b. Emergency Closing Days - Dr. Peck reported that the Fabius-Pompey Education Association contract includes a provision regarding unused emergency days, whereby if three or more emergency days remain as of one week prior to spring break, the Board of Education will grant one additional paid holiday, either the Friday before or the Monday after spring break, at the Superintendent's discretion, and if two or more emergency days remain as of May 1, the Board will grant one additional paid holiday in connection with the Memorial Day weekend, with the specific day also determined by the Superintendent; he noted that, unless another emergency day is used, the additional paid holidays will be Monday, April 6, and Thursday, May 21.
- c. Capital Project 2026 Update - Dr. Peck reported that the capital project is progressing smoothly, with the gymnasium renovation currently underway, including removal of the bleachers and ongoing wall

and ceiling work. He noted that teachers have been using the construction areas as educational opportunities by bringing students through the job sites. Dr. Peck also reported that additional funds are anticipated to be available for items identified in the needs assessment, and emphasized that these funds must be used for capital project purposes and cannot be applied to general fund expenses.

- d. OCM BOCES Annual Meeting - Dr. Peck reported that the OCM BOCES Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 7, which conflicts with the community open forum; as a result, he and Dan Silky will be unable to attend the forum. Carlena Wallace noted that historically all Board members have attended the meeting when available. Board members will provide their availability by the March 25 deadline.
- e. School Administrator Reports
  - Director of Curriculum - Jay Lang provided a presentation noting that he recently attended an advanced data analytics dashboard training that integrates with SchoolTool data, allowing for the identification of trends and correlations and supporting early identification of students in need of intervention. He also outlined plans for the upcoming staff development day and reported that he is currently working on technology budget planning, including efforts to leverage the Smart Schools Bond Act funds.
  - Elementary School – Sasha Rasmussen reported that the Elementary School had a strong turnout for the recent grandparent’s breakfast events. She also reported that 37 interest applications have been received for the 2026–27 UPK program, which has capacity for 36 students, and noted that a lottery may be required to fill the available spots. She added that the program will expand from one classroom to two classrooms, making it the largest UPK cohort to date.
  - Middle School-High School - Jason Martin reported that the MSHS had a successful weekend with its production of *Annie*, thanking all who participated and noting it was a strong performance. He also reported that spring sports are underway, and that upcoming band and chorus concerts are scheduled and students are preparing for NYSSMA.

**6. Assistant Superintendent of Business Services’ Report** – Dan Silky reported that the Finance and Audit Committee met and that financial information will be included in the committee update and budget items will be presented in the Budget Workshop.

- a. February 2026 Treasurer’s Report
- b. February 2026 Cash Flow Report
- c. February 2026 Student Activities Account

**7. Board of Education Policies and Regulations – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

- a. Board of Education Policy 8130: School Safety Plans and Teams
- b. Board of Education Policy 8505: “Charging” Meals and Other Food Items
- c. Board of Education Policy 8520: Free Meal Services

**8. Board President’s Report**

- a. Committee Updates
  - Facilities Committee – Eric Exelby provided a brief update on the capital project and noted that the Committee will meet after spring break to review items identified for potential completion using the additional available funds.
  - Communications Committee - Alison Brainard stated that the Committee met the previous day and discussed the budget newsletter and the Board of Education website. They also noted that conducting a teacher and staff engagement survey would be beneficial.
  - Audit & Finance Committee - Carlena Wallace reported that the Committee met the previous day to review February cash flow and financials, noting that no significant issues were identified. She also reported that retiree insurance bills were mailed in March and that the fuel bid had been secured prior to the recent increase in fuel prices, which is beneficial for the District.
  - Policy Committee - None
- b. Student Board Member Updates
- c. Future Agenda Items - Eric Exelby stated that he would like to review the MSHS fundraising schedule, and Jason Martin responded that an extensive fundraising calendar is available and can be shared.

- d. Board Member Updates - Gina Myers expressed concern that agenda items are sometimes added late without notice to Board members. Following discussion, it was agreed that Darci LaRose will activate the agenda by noon on the Monday prior to each meeting and notify Board members via email when it is available. Any urgent additions after that time will require a separate email notification to Board members.

**9. Consent Agenda – Action.** A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Carlena Wallace and seconded by Gina Myers. Motion carried 6-0.

- a. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the Minutes of the February 24, 2026 Board of Education Meeting.
- b. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the Committee on Special Education student recommendations as presented.
- c. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the February 2026 warrants as presented.
- d. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the February 2026 transfers as presented.
- e. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of the notification of retirement by Kevin Sharpe as Teacher, effective June 30, 2026.
- f. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of the notification of retirement by Donald Edwards Sr. as Custodian I, effective August 28, 2026.
- g. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of the notification of retirement by Christopher Jordan as Maintenance Helper, effective October 12, 2026.
- h. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the request for a leave of absence by Suzanne Case, effective March 16, 2026 through May 15, 2026, in accordance with the terms of the Instructional Contract.
- i. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the following volunteers, for the 2025-2026 school year:
  - Celi Arena
  - Erin Hull
  - Angela Nelson
  - Carrie Rabbia
  - Erin Sanderson
  - Larry Stroh
  - Danielle Todisco
  - Tom Ward
- j. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of the donation of a Yamaha Upright Piano, from Rachel-Storm Heasley and Tracy Torelli, in accordance with Board of Education Policy 1800: Donations, Gifts, and Grants to District.
- k. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the 2026-2027 school year calendar.
- l. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the following substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year:

- Rachele Widdekind as Substitute Nurse
- Robin Colclough as Substitute Bus Monitor/Aide

- m. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of a monetary donation from the Fabius-Pompey Recreation in the amount of \$1,391.13 to purchase an automated external defibrillator (AED).
- n. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of a monetary donation from the Southern hills Wrestling Booster Club in the amount of \$14,336.40 to purchase wrestling mats.
- o. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of the notification of resignation by Robin Colclough as School Bus Monitor, effective March 1, 2026.
- p. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of the notification of resignation by Robin Colclough as Part-Time Food Service Helper I, effective March 1, 2026.
- q. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the appointment of Robin Colclough as Food Service Helper I, effective March 2, 2026, in accordance with the terms of the Non-Instructional Contract.
- r. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve \_\_\_\_\_
- s. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the appointment of Alicia Mason as part-time Food Service Helper, effective March 20, 2026, in accordance with the terms of the Non-Instructional Contract.
- t. The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District approve the acceptance of the notification of resignation by Sally Engel as Bus Monitor, effective March 27, 2026.

**10. Budget Workshop VI** – Dan Silky presented the budget refinement presentation and a draft budget newsletter developed in collaboration with a graphic designer from OCM BOCES.

**11. Executive Session – Action**

- a. A motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:06 p.m. for the discussion of an individual student matter was made by Denise Fresina DiRienzo and seconded by Carlana Wallace. Motion carried 6-0. A motion to return to Open Session at 8:57 p.m. was made by Rachel-Storm Heasley.

**12. Adjournment**

- A. A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m. was made by Rachel-Storm Heasley and seconded by Gina Myers. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Darci LaRose  
Deputy District Clerk

Approved by the Board of Education  
April 20, 2026