FITZGERALD BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 13, 2026

Board Meeting, Neigebaur Administration Building- Community Engagement Center, 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DECLARATIONS

2.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.2 Our Vision:

Fitzgerald Public Schools: Educating Our Future
Focused - Progressive - Successful

Our Mission:
Inspiring, Empowering and Preparing Today's Learner to become Tomorrow's Leader

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

4. ACTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA The Board uses the Consent Agenda format. This allows for certain items to be designated and identified by an asterisk as part of the Consent Agenda and therefore acted on in a single motion. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the regular agenda by any member of the Board at the time of the meeting.

Items included on this meeting's Consent Agenda:

* 6.1 Minutes of the March 2, 2026 Board Meeting
* 7.1 Approval of the Monthly Business Affairs Documents
* 12.8 Policy 0100 - Definitions
* 12.9 Policy 1410 - Staff Ethics
* 12.10 Policy 2417 - Comprehensive School Health Education
* 12.11 Policy 2418 - Sex Education
* 12.12 Rescind Policy 3120.09 - Volunteers
* 12.13 Rescind Policy 4120.09 - Volunteers
* 12.14 Policy 4210 - Staff Ethics
* 12.15 Policy 5136 - Wireless Communications Devices
* 12.16 Policy 5330 - Use of Medications
* 12.17 Policy 6320 - Purchasing
* 12.18 Policy 6325 - Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds
* 12.19 Policy 8120.09 - Volunteers
* 12.20 Policy 8402 - Emergency Operations Plan
* 12.21 Bylaw 0143.1 Public Expression of Board Members

5. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION

5.1 Recognition of student art display in the halls of the administration building
5.2 Recognition of Solo & Ensemble Students
5.3 Recognition of Wind Ensemble Students
5.4 Recognition of Band and Orchestra students
5.5 MASB Board Member Recognition:

- Anne Covert - Finance Certification Specialty
- Anne Covert - Level 7 - President's Award of Recognition
- Khaja Ahmed - Level 2 - Award of Merit
- Kimberly Lee - Level 2 - Award of Merit

5.6 Recognition of FPS's Teachers of the Year:

- Lisa Chomicz, FHS
- Joe Chasney, CMS
- Chevon Chenault-Starnes, MP
- Cristy Borton, WV
- Kelly Dalia-Warner, SCF

5.7 Recognition of FPS's Employees of the Year:

- Daryl Carter, Bus Driver
- Michelle Varney, Custodian and Maintenance
- Leslie McGinnis, Food Service
- Rachel Belkowski, Paraprofessional
- Carmelia Ferrell, Office personnel
- Autumn Stinson, TC

5.8 Recognition of Sara Walker, Macomb Reads Literacy Ambassador
5.9 Presentation: Winter Sports Update - J. Shakespear

6. MINUTES

***** 6.1 Minutes of the March 2, 2026 Board Meeting

7. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

* 7.1 Approval of the Monthly Business Affairs Documents

8. CORRESPONDENCE- NONE

9. REPORTS AND STAFF UPDATES

9.1 Resignations:

- Teresa Staller, Secretary to the Principal, Westview Elementary School, March 27, 2026
- Amber Henry Naik, part time Resource Room Teacher at Mound Park Elementary, May 1, 2026
- Gina Cereska, Business Manager, District, April 30, 2026

Terminations:

- Lauren Uwazurike, HR Specialist, March 23, 2026

9.2 Staff Changes-as presented

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

NEW HIRES:

10.1 Deantionette Guinn, School Bus Driver, March 16, 2026

10.2 Loreal Bateman, Secretary to the Principal, Westview Elementary School, April 13, 2026

10.3 UNPAID LEAVE

- Jennafer Smirnov, Paraprofessional, Westview Elementary School, extend from November 20, 2025 - Feb/March 2026 to June 5, 2026
- Munazzah Afzal, EL Teacher, Westview Elementary School, May 14-29, 2026
- Bushra Mehjabin, ELL Paraprofessional, Westview Elementary School, May 21 - June 5, 2026

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

12. NEW BUSINESS

12.1 Approval of Teacher Appreciation Week Resolution

12.2 E-rate Service Contract Resolution 7/26-6/27

12.3 Approval of a Sinking Fund Project: District-Wide HVAC Equipment and related controls replacement project.

12.4 Approval of a Sinking Fund Project: Westview Elementary - Playground Equipment Repairs project

12.5 Approval of a Sinking Fund Project: Schofield Early Childhood Center - Playground Equipment Repairs project

12.6 Approval of a Sinking Fund Project: Mound Park Elementary - Playground Equipment Repairs project

12.7 Approval of a 2026 Bond Series 1 Expenditure--Fitzgerald High School Asbestos Abatement projects in Bid Pack 26-1

Second and Final Reading of:

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13. BOARD ITEMS

13.1 Local Citizens Items

13.2 Closed Session for negotiations

14. ADJOURNMENT

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