Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting December 19, 2016

Vice President Steve Christopher called the regular school board meeting to order. Present were; Secretary Laura Bell member Andie Mears. Also present was Superintendent Dan Sichting, Attorney Robert Little and Treasurer Jody Morgan. Not present was President JC Copas and member Don Mills.

The pledge was recited and the meeting began.

There was an addition numbered 10.6.1 High School Donations to the agenda. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Andie Mears made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 21st board meeting as they were presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the treasures report. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Andie Mears to approve the claims as they were presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Mr. Hoover was not present; Mr. Sichting reported that it would be around 6 weeks until we would do the switch of the phone system. We are waiting on switches from ENA. There were still 250 work orders open.

ADMINISTRATORS REPOTS

Mrs. Bordner reported that the Elementary received an A rating from the state based upon ISTEP achievement and growth. FES is the only school in White Co. that earned an A rating.

There have been many things going on at the Elementary. We did more drills this past month, one including a fire drill with Santa. The Elementary is in the middle of the year on some of the testing. The 4th grade had their Indiana parade, the PTO had their Christmas shop, 5th/6th grade had a band concert. We had a very successful Jump Rope for Heart thanks to Mr. Tonnsen. Kindergarten had Rudolph Day; the 1st grade had a trip to Cumberland Pointe Healthcare. There are also many events coming up, please check out the web site for details.

Mr. Hettinger reported that the Girls Varsity Softball team who were State Championship runner ups will be presented their rings Friday night at the Boys Basketball game. The High School has rescheduled senior scholarship meeting until tomorrow night. Wednesday starts finals week for the Jr/Sr High School.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mr. Sichting reported that Mr. Sailors has been helping him drive the roads in the morning to decide if there should be a delay start or not. Mr. Tonnsen and Mr. Sailors are both working hard on the bus barn to get it cleaned up.

There was growth in both Math and English/Language Arts with I Step.

This is a reconciliation month as far as revenue from the state. Honor and Vocational areas are higher, but overall there is a drop because of enrollment.

Mr. Sichting explained a little about tax revenues and the money we will be receiving. There was a deduction out of the money that we received for payment of the State Board of Accounts audit.

NEW BUSINESS

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the revised contract for Mike Keith the contracted bus contract. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented the board with two quotes for field maintenance. The board asked if there were any references for one of the companies. Since there was not at this time, Laura Bell made a motion to approve the quote from J&D Turf pending their reference checks. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Andie Mears made a motion to approve the resignation of Reba Brawley as one of the Elementary custodians. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting had a recommendation for Jeremy Martin to be the Maintenance Director. Laura Bell made a motion to accept this recommendation. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve Nick Ebert as a full time Elementary night custodian. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion by Laura Bell to approve the hiring of Becci Tidmore as the half-time paraprofessional in the developmental pre-school. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Discovering Hands Pre-School of Chalmers requested to use one of our busses and drivers for a field trip. There was a recommendation by Andie Mears to approve this request, stating that the Pre-School pays all of the gas and the driver's time. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Elementary School presented their School Improvement Plan. Laura Bell made a motion to accept this improvement plan. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the Jr/Sr High School Improvement Plan. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made a motion to approve disregarding the microwave that was in the Family and Consumer Science classroom. This microwave has not worked for two years. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting gave the board information on Special Education Determinations for Federal Fiscal Year 2014 (School Year 2014-2015).

There were several donations made to the Elementary School. Laura Bell made a motion to accept all of these donations. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The High School also had some donations. Andie Mears made a motion to approve these donations. Laura Bell seconded the motion. Laura Bell seconded the motion passed unanimously.

The Board thanks everyone for their donations.

The PE addition is very close to being done, the rubber flooring will go down tomorrow. Everything should be done the first week of January except the grass seed and the outside concrete work that will be done this spring.

There were no comments from the public.

The next board meeting will be on January 5th at the Corporation Office.

There was a motion made by Andie Mears to adjourn the meeting. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned.

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