Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting February 20, 2017

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

The pledge was recited and the meeting began.

There were no additions to the agenda. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the agenda as it stood. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 16<sup>th</sup> board meeting as it was presented. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the bank reconciliation statements for January. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Andie Mears to approve the balance of the January claims, APV numbers 8472-8502, the February claims APV numbers 8503-8594, The January 20<sup>th</sup> and the February 7<sup>th</sup> payrolls. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

# **ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS**

Mrs. Bordner congratulated Emma Bartlett who was the FES Spelling Bee Champion. NWEA testing has been completed. There was a mentor callout for the new mentoring program. There were 10 potential mentors who attended. More applications are coming in. The leadership team met to finalize the FES Student Handbook. They will meet again to discuss Specials schedules for next year. Mrs. Bordner is writing the Early Literacy Grant with the purpose of addressing phonemic/decoding issues. There are many upcoming events, please check our website regularly.

Mr. Hettinger reported that I Step testing is coming up very soon. The PBL group will be doing their presentations to groups that have that same interest so it will be more meaningful and useful. There is a committee working on changing the student handbook for next year. The Jr/Sr High School also has many upcoming events.

### **TECHNOLOGY REPORT**

Mr. Hoover gave the Technology report stating that there are still 106 open tickets, but they have closed 1052 since the beginning of the year. They switched over to the new phone system and swapped out all of the handsets. He has been reworking the computer network.

## **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT**

Mr. Sailors reported that the winter sports season is winding down. Last Friday, Colin Reagan became Frontier's 1<sup>st</sup> time ever State Qualifier in wrestling. The girls Jr High basketball team are about finished with their season. There will be one more tournament. The girls Varsity basketball team have finished, the boys Varsity basketball team will play Clinton Prairie during the sectional. Friday night is senior night during the boys Varsity basketball game.

## SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mr. Sichting reported to finish up his listening tour he met with some High School students. They were going to talk with other students then Mr. Sichting will meet with them again. We received the Eli Lilly planning grant. This grant will look at school counseling and ways to help students after High School. This was a \$30,000.00 grant. Morgan Toby is gathering information from students that have transferred to another school but did not move away. She will compile all of the information and it will be passed along to the board.

#### **BUDGET/FINANCIAL**

Mr. Sichting went over the DP54 and the funding we receive from the state. Our state tuition dropped this month since this is a reconciliation month for special Ed. The student count adjustment was also made. Mr. Sichting did a power point financial presentation. Mr. Sichting also went over the SY 2016-2017 title I final Allocations with the board.

There was a motion made by Laura Bell to approve the stipend for Transportation using transportation funds. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made the motion for the approval of Indiana Youth Institute Consultant Letter Agreement. Laura Bell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **PERSONNEL**

There was a motion by Laura Bell to approve the increase to the Nurses salary due to a degree attainment and to discontinue a stipend payment to the former Nurse. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Andie Mears made a motion to approve the following coaching recommendations: Sharon Wright Varsity Softball Coach, Erin Notary 1st Assistant Softball Coach, Brynleigh Jensen 2nd Assistant Softball Coach, Adam Wright Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach, Chad Sailors 1st Assistant Baseball Coach, Kyle Mikesell 2nd Assistant Baseball Coach, Kyle Whitlow Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach, Ben Powell Boys Varsity Track Coach, Jennifer Newcom Girls Varsity Track Coach, Jake Sullivan Boys/Girls Varsity Assistant Track Coach, Cameron Nunan Boys 7th & 8th grade Track Head Coach, Melissa Culver-Pekny Girls 7th & 8th grade Track Head Coach, Cory Tonnsen Golf Co-Varsity Coach and Joe Smith Golf Co-Varsity Coach. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### FIELD TRIP

There was a field trip request from Kelly Knochel for the senior class to go on a field trip to Six Flags Great America. Laura Bell made a motion to approve this field trip. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Andie Mears made a motion to approve the amended Section 125 Plan Document from American Fidelity. The only thing that changed from last year is the maximum amount an employee can put into their H.S.A. in 2017. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made the motion to approve the renewal of VSP for Frontier's vision plan. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

The board was presented with the 2017-2018 Frontier Jr/Sr High School Course Description Handbook. Andie Mears motioned to approve this handbook. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made the motion to approve advertising to accept quotes for Summer Mowing. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a request to sell the old phone handsets since we no longer need them. Laura Bell made a motion to approve selling the old handsets to CXtec. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made the motion to approve the  $2^{nd}$  reading on 4 Neola Policies. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting gave the board information from Umbaugh about a GO Bond. Some things to think about that will be needed in the near future are a new heating & cooling operating system at the Elementary.

There were no comments from the public.

The next board meeting will be on March 20<sup>th</sup> at the Jr/Sr High School.

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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