

Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting May 20, 2014

President JC Copas called the regular school board meeting to order. Members that were present were; Steve Christopher, Barry Wesner, Max Eldridge and Don Mills. Superintendent Mrs. Cathy Rowe, Attorney Rob Little, and Treasurer Jody Morgan were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and the meeting started.

Mrs. Rowe presented the following additions to the agenda: 8.1.10 Summer Library Staffing, 8.1.11 Summer Technology curriculum work, 8.1.12 James Polk's resignation, and 8.1.13 Tami Huey's resignation. Barry Wesner made a motion to accept all of these items to the agenda. Don Mills seconded the motion, the motion was passed and the items were added.

There was a motion made by Barry Wesner to approve the minutes from the April 15th and the May 12th meeting. Max Eldridge seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Max Eldridge made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

Don Mills made the motion to approve the claims as they were presented. Barry Wesner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There were some questions from the public about items that are not finished or that have problem areas on the new baseball field. The representative from Gibraltar and Mrs. Rowe assured everyone that they are aware of the problems and that nothing has been signed off on as completed.

There was also a question about the Spanish teacher position. Mr. Hettinger said there is a possible Spanish teacher hired.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Mr. Hoover stated there will be a lot going on in technology over the summer. There are several trainings set up throughout the summer. He is renewing all of our license agreements and getting savings on most of them. We are adding additional wireless and looking at Dell chrome books. He will be able to install filters on the chrome books.

ELEMENTARY REPORT

Mr. Reagan gave the Elementary report stating that Mrs. Corso was named teacher of the year, and Mrs. Ulrich received the Golden Falcon Award. The preschoolers had their first ever program tonight and they have filled all of the spots for the preschool for next year.

Mrs. Lemenager gave a report on using iPads in her class room and all of the things that her students have been able to do with the iPad. They used many different apps from something as simple as daily math to as complicated as a 3D project. She also took her iPad on their recent field trip to take pictures and post them so the parents who couldn't go were able to see some pictures.

Mrs. Ulrich gave a report on a 14 month project she has been working on. This is a data driven counselor program. It involves grades 3-8. There is a steering and advising team working on the results of the questionnaires that were giving to these students. The results will help in figuring out what students might need,

and what help we could give them. Our goal is to achieve a Gold Star rating in Indiana and a Ramp School Nationally.

JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Hettinger reported that the High School Senior scholarship night was tomorrow night at 6:30. All final exams will be next week. Mr. Hettinger also reported that he had several applicants for the positions that were open at the High School.

The High School Science team gave a presentation on some of the things they have been teaching this semester. All of the teachers are doing more hands on experiments and projects.

The representative from Gibraltar gave an update on the project. They are still working on the punch list. All of the items are completed and signed off for the inside work. Everything will have a one year warranty and that will start when everything is completed and signed off on.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mrs. Rowe gave the board some information on reasons students transfer to Frontier. She also had a list of items from the work session that were proposed for the next project. Mrs. Rowe presented the board with the 2012-2013 Report Card from the state. There were some improvements, overall Frontier was rated a C.

OLD BUSINESS

There was a motion by Max Eldridge to agree to have Mr. King and Mr. Heath farm the extra acres behind the school if they were still interested. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Max Eldridge made a motion to accept; 8.1.1 recommendation for Debra Stoller as a 2014-15 school bus driver, 8.1.2 a recommendation for Cathy Jenkins to teach Summer School to grades K/1, 8.1.3 a recommendation for Michelle Mathias to teach Summer School to grades 2/3, 8.1.4 a recommendation for Amanda Balsler to be a Summer School Paraprofessional, 8.1.5 a recommendation for Katherine Nail to be a Summer School Paraprofessional, 8.1.6 a recommendation for Sara Shelton to be an Elementary teacher, 8.1.7 a recommendation for Will Mathias to be an Elementary paraprofessional for the 14-15 school year, 8.1.8 a resignation from Dave Kitchell a JR High School teacher, 8.1.9 a resignation from Kristina op den Kelder, a FJ/S HS Paraprofessional, 8.1.12 a resignation from James Polk, computer tech and 8.1.13 a resignation from Tami Huey, Frontier Librarian. Steve Christopher seconded this motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Barry Wesner and seconded by Steve Christopher to have the library at the Elementary open four times this summer for students to read and log minutes. The recommendation was for Stephanie Fischer to work 3 of these Wednesdays and Mrs. Huey would work the first one. The motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made a motion to accept Mrs. Rowe's recommendation to pay some staff members to work on technology curriculum over the summer. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Reagan presented the board with some transportation changes for the 2014-2015 school year. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the new shuttle route. Don Mills seconded and the motion was passed.

Steve Christopher made a motion to accept the pay increase, quarterly bonuses and bereavement day policy as they were presented. Don Mills second the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to accept the painting bid from DL White pending proof of insurance. Barry Wesner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Grosso submitted a request for Xtreme Contractors to do seal coating and line striping at the Elementary School. Steve Christopher made a motion to accept this request. Barry Wesner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe submitted the 2014-2015 School Year agreement with the Crossings. Max Eldridge made a motion to continue our agreement for the next school year. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Junior Senior High School presented the changes for their handbook for the 2014-15 School year. The changes were mostly made by the nurse. There were a few changes made regarding discipline. Barry Wesner made the motion to except these changes. Max Eldridge seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Max Eldridge made a motion to approve all of the field trip requests from BASE. Barry Wesner seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe reminded the board that graduation is May 31st at 1:00.

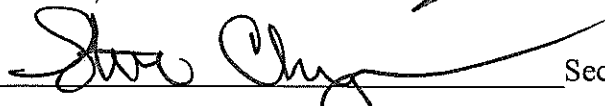
There was a question from the public about cafeteria staff receiving free lunch. Mrs. Rowe explained the program and the board agreed to look into this matter some more at the next meeting.

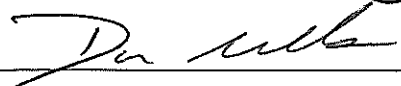
The next School Board meeting will be at the Corporation office on Wednesday May 28th.

Barry Wesner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Max Eldridge seconded the motion. This motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

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