

School Board Meeting May 21, 2018

President JC Copas called the meeting to order. Vice President Andie Mears, Secretary Laura Bell were present along with members Don Mills and Steve Christopher. Superintendent Mr. Dan Sighting, Lawyer Robert Little and Treasurer Jody Morgan were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and the meeting started.

Mr. Sighting had the following additions to the agenda; 8.3.4 verbal resignation from Rodger DeLosh, 8.3.5 resignation of Craig Merkel, 8.3.6 resignation of Gavin Gordon, and 8.3.7 resignation of Hayley Kauffman. Don Mills made a motion to accept these additions to the agenda. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made the motion to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2018 meeting. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills motioned to approve the revenue report. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell motioned to approve the bank reconciliation for April. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Laura Bell to approve the G.O. monthly bond payment record. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made the motion to approve the balance of the April claims, APV number 9993 – 10017, and the May claims APV 10018 – 10112. The motion also includes the April 20th, April 23rd, and May 7th payrolls. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

The Technology Department has logged 450 student device repairs and replacements so far which is up from 373 last year and 203 two years ago. Of these 450, 200 were damaged devices and 250 were hardware failures. We will be replacing several student devices this summer as well as all of the network switches, the firewall, the web filter, the elementary wireless access points as well as the internet connection upgrades to all three buildings. Most of this cannot start until after summer school is over. Online registration is another big area of work with open registration planned for July 9th.

ELEMENTARY REPORT

Mrs. Bordner read a paper entitled “If you work in a school...” It pointed out how much our teachers do that goes above and beyond teaching. She also reported that the Elementary finished their NWEA testing. The 6th graders have gone on their annual trip to Camp Tecumseh and had a wonderful time.

JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Using the new Lily Grant we now have a program call Naviance – students can look at colleges, can get info about those colleges such as cost, things to study etc. They can use it to get Career ideas. They can enter all of their information and it will help to point them in the right direction to find which school might be the best fit for them.

ATHLETICS/TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Athletics are winding down for spring sports, sectionals will be next week. Two kids advanced out of sectionals to go to regionals for track – congratulations to them! Bus inspection will be shortly after school is out so we are doing extra work and cleaning on all of the busses. We are looking at covers for the new baseball and softball fields and possibly new score boards.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Mr. Martin talked about the Elementary air conditioning and some of the problems that have been happening. They will start on the gym floors on May 29th. The new boilers should arrive that same week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Sighting reported that today was the last day to apply for next years school safety grant which he got finished and submitted. Summer school at the HS is all set. We need to have a few more students at the Elementary to be considered a class. Jump start for Kindergarten will be funded by the United Way of White County this year. Mr. Sighting reported that all of the Collaboration meetings are finished. He will be compiling all of the information from the meetings and the surveys and will present that to the board and the public at a later date. Mr. Sighting went to IASBO meeting last week and he talked about the way the funding is going to be starting in July. He told the board that him and Mrs. Morgan had been to two presentations for budget/payroll software companies and probably would present something next month. There have already been some interviews for next years staff.

BUDGET/FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Sighting presented the board with the May FY 2018 State Tuition Monthly Distribution. This was reviewed by the board for informational purposes.

Mr. Sighting proposed the approval of transferring the Local Income Tax deposits from the general fund to the Rainy day fund. Don Mills made a motion to approve this recommendation. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There were five quotes from different companies for 6th, 7th, and 9th graders to get 180 Chromebook. These Chromebooks will replace the older Chromebooks which have reached the end of their life cycle. We will be paying for these out of Text book rental money and the Parks Distribution account. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the quote from Technology Plus for a Lenovo 100E Chromebook. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the recommendation from Mr. Sighting to allow a cell phone stipend of \$300.00 to Mr. Martin the Maintenance Director. Steve Christopher seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL

There was a motion by Steve Christopher to approve additional days for the School Nurse. This is so Mrs. Wheeldon can transfer information into Carebox for online registration for the 2018-2019 school year. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the board holding a vacant food service job for an employee who has been off to help a family member with a serious illness. The employee has not worked here long enough to get FMLA. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the following resignations; Mrs. Jennifer Vandergraff, Mr. David Cartwright, Rodger DeLosh, Craig Merkel, Gavin Gordon, Hayley Kauffman and the retirement request for Connie Cash. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The following recommendations were presented to the board for hire; Miss Lauren Hinshaw for 4-6 Special Education at the Elementary, Miss Danielle Sighting for K-3 Special Education at the Elementary, and Ms. Sherry Reel for Frontier Elementary Instructional Assistant. Steve Christopher made a motion to accept these recommendations. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a recommendation to hire Jake Rhoda as a part-time Maintenance Assistant for the months of April, 2018 through December 2018. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

FIELD TRIPS

There was a motion by Andie Mears to allow the Varsity and Junior Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball teams to attend an overnight D-One basketball camp. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously..

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Sighting recommended that the board approve a lease for approximately 20 acres of agricultural land from BP Pipeline (North America) Inc. for the sum of \$100.00 for the period of one year. This starts on April 1, 2018 through May 30th 2019. Mr. Little had reviewed the lease and went over some of the issues that concerned him, but he thought it would be a fine agreement. Andie Mears made a motion pending Mr. Sighting talking with our insurance company to get some answers on some other questions that the board had. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the donations that were made to the Elementary school for Title I awards. The following businesses made a donation: Top Notch Bar, Clarence Lopp DDS, Clapper Funeral Services, Corner Hardware, B Boutique, Rosebud Ranch, Dave's Computer World, The Fountain Trust Bank, and Basic Body & Paint. The High School had donations from the Psi Iota Xi for the Art, Band and Choir, and also to the White County Pride Program. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The board really appreciates these donations.

2018-2019 Frontier Jr-Sr High School Course Fees changes and or additions were presented to the board. Laura Bell made a motion to approve these changes. Andie Mears seconded the change and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the board with the roof survey for the Elementary building. Laura Bell made a motion to have Mr. Sighting get quotes to fix the flashing and other items that needed fixed. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Steve Christopher to adjourn the meeting. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be on June 18th at 7:00 pm at the Frontier School Corporation Office.