

## Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting June 17, 2014

Vice President Max Eldridge called the regular school board meeting to order. Members that were present were; Steve Christopher, and Don Mills. President JC Copas and member Barry Wesner were not present. 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 had a few revisions to items that were already on the agenda.

Steve Christopher made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Steve Christopher made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed.

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

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

### TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Mr. Hoover reported that they are installing many interactive projectors. He is looking through the applications for a Technology Assistant. He will be installing web filters.

### ELEMENTARY REPORT

Mrs. Layton gave the Elementary report, stating that summer school had ended today. The last High Ability class was going on and would be finished soon.

### JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Hettinger reported that the school ended well, and graduation was very nice. They have been busy working on personnel and have almost everyone in place. They have had 30 kids in the credit recovery summer school program.

### SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mrs. Rowe reported that both buildings finished the school year well. She gave the board the Nurses report for the year. The food service report was given, this also showed comparisons to Tri-County and North White. Mrs. Rowe gave the board information on Summer Board Academy. She also had a report about the property at 106 North Sixth Street, this included all of the calls that had been made and to whom. We ended the year with an 81% of our students reading on or above grade level. Our goal for this is 90%.

Jim Thompson from Gibraltar gave an update on the project. He stated that Gibraltar would be meeting with Mattcon and Sportsfield later in the week. This meeting would go over all of the unfinished items.

### NEW BUSINESS

Phil Baer from Heiny insurance gave a presentation on our yearly insurance renewal. He showed the board different options and went over the packages with them. Liberty Mutual would be the carrier. Don Mills made a motion to accept this quote and go with the plan that Phil suggested. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve 8.1.1 Recommendation - Kelsey Catena as the JR/SR High School Spanish Teacher, 8.1.2 Recommendation – Anthony Calandro JR/SR High School English Teacher, 8.1.3 Recommendation – Kirsten Mikesell JR/SR High School English Teacher, 8.1.4 Recommendation – Kelsey Warden JR/SR High School Math Teacher, 8.1.5 Recommendation – Amanda Barnett JR/SR High School English Teacher, 8.1.6 Resignation of Becky Chitty, 8.1.7 Resignation of Olivia Post, 8.1.8 Recommendation - Anna Mikels as a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher, 8.1.9 Recommendation - Mallory Altman as a Kindergarten teacher, 8.1.10 Recommendation - Dawna Gagnon as a shuttle bus route driver, 8.1.11 Recommendation – Tisa Fultz FES Cafeteria. Don Mills seconded this motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Steve Christopher to transfer monies from Capital Projects and Transportation to the Rainy Day fund. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

There was a recommendation for a Special Education Summer School. The teachers will be Amber Harmon, Mallory Altman, Lydia Hendress, Kristi Laxton, and Nelann Kaluf. Paraprofessionals that will be helping will be; Deb Lucas, Leslie Wilson, and Will Mathias. Steve Christopher made a motion to accept this recommendation, with Don Mills seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made a motion to approve the 6<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Camp Tecumseh in the fall. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe presented the board with Frontier School Corporation's goals for expenditures. Steve Christopher made a motion to accept these goals as they were presented. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve and pay some teachers that would be working on the STEM project over the summer. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe submitted to the board a proposal on a Test Security Policy for IStep test. Don Mills made a motion to accept this proposal; with Steve Christopher seconding the motion. This proposal passed unanimously.

There was a policy from the Cooperative School Service on a seclusion and restraint policy. Steve Christopher made a motion that we adopt this policy. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion was passed.

Mrs. Rowe made a recommendation to the board that all non certified staff receive a 2% raise. A motion was made by Steve Christopher to accept this recommendation. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Mrs. Morgan presented the board with a request to move monies from a dormant account to the general fund. Steve Christopher motioned to approve this request. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe presented the board with an addendum to the Master Teacher Contract. This would change the FFA stipend. This would also change the starting pay for all new teachers, and bring any current teachers up to that starting rate if they are below that at the current time. Steve Christopher made a motion to accept this addendum as presented. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made a motion to approve the new Title 1 grant. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Steve Christopher to nominate John Erickson to the Brookston Public Library Board. Don Mills seconded this motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Cory Runkle presented the board with a request for the junior high students to go on the bi-annual field trip to Washington DC. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this trip. Don Mills seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

There was a recommendation from Mrs. Rowe to increase the lunch prices for the 2014-2015 school year. Don Mills motioned to approve this recommendation. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The PSI IOTA XI made a donation to the Elementary School. Mrs. Rowe announced that we had received a grant from ADM, and the matching grant from Indiana Secured School Safety Committee. Don Mills made a motion to accept this donation and approve receiving monies from the two grants. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Steve Christopher, and seconded by Don Mills to let the High School football team to go to Wing T camp. This motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made a motion to accept the revised Elementary book rental charges as they were presented. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hoover presented the board with a quote from Lightspeed Systems for a filtering system. This would be installed on the new chrome books we will be purchasing, and all other devices that we have. This will work at both school and when the device goes to the student's home. Steve Christophe motioned to approve this quote, Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

  
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