

Frontier School Corporation
126 E Main St
Chalmers, IN 47929
Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees
Monday, June 17, 2019

School Board Meeting
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APPROVED

Present: President JC Copas, Vice President Steve Christopher, Secretary Laura Bell, School Board Member Shelley Christopher and School Board Member Andie Mears.

Also Present: Superintendent Dan Sighting, Attorney Robert Little, Treasurer Cortney Parrish, and Deputy Treasurer Lori Ringer.

President Copas called the meeting to order in the Frontier School Corporation Board Room at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Routine Business

Laura Bell moved to approve the agenda, as amended to include three additional claims, for the Monday, June 17th, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears moved to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2019 Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees and June 5, 2019 Special Session of the Board of School Trustees. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell moved to approve the Revenue report for May 2019. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears moved to approve the Bank Reconciliation Report dated May 2019. Laura Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears moved to approve the G.O. Bond report. Laura Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Claims were presented including the addition of a Wells Fargo Bond payment, a Huntington National Bank Bond payment, and a credit card bill payment. Andie Mears made a motion to approve the amended claims. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Technology Report

The Technology Report was presented by Mr. Sighting. He reported that a power outage today was caused by an accident on Chalmers blacktop. Phones and power are still not restored at this time, but they are expected to be up by morning.

We have received computer replacements for the Windows upgrade. These are being installed at the Elementary and High School locations.

Elementary Report

Carmen Bordner reported that they are very busy getting ready for the upcoming school year. They are currently trying to fill two paraprofessional positions and one teaching position. They are conducting interviews this week and next week.

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Mrs. Bordner is meeting with individual teachers to review NWEA data and plan for next year. Stepheny Lemenager is working with teachers to develop yearlong pacing guides.

Mrs. Bordner will be attending the Wabash Valley Education Center Conference and C.L.A.S.S. administrator day this week. She will also be joining the Indiana Principal Leadership Institute extended for professional development and a cohort collaboration program.

The NCHS Grant application is complete. Thanks to Kathy Bassett, Amy Turner, Sara Shelton, and Kelli Whitaker for their hard work on this grant.

Jr-Sr High Report

Mr. Hettinger states that we have completed the year on a good note. He wishes to thank Mr. Copas for helping out at graduation.

The Jr.-Sr. High is currently in need of one paraprofessional but is fully staffed otherwise. Mr. Hettinger is currently finishing up 2018-2019 evaluations. The Master schedule is near completion.

There are discussions being had about using the activity period in a more deliberate way. Some options may include Problem Based Learning, College and Career planning for juniors and seniors, and Why Try curriculum for freshmen.

Athletics and Transportation Report

Mr. Dan Sighting reported that Troy Burgess, our new Athletic Director, was in the school today. They are currently working on revising the transportation handbook and hope to present that in July. Mr. Touloukian will be finishing up his duties this week. Mr. Sighting would like to commend him for the improvements he has made, from a financial standpoint, with the Athletic fund, for hiring officials and getting contracts in place for the upcoming year.

Maintenance Report

Mr. Martin could not attend due to a family obligation. Mr. Sighting relayed information on the High School chiller repair. There will have to be some components replaced. Repair costs to do this would be approximately \$48,900, while replacement of the chiller would only be \$65,700. He feels it doesn't really make sense to repair the chiller. There will be a presentation later in the meeting on replacing the chiller.

Team MJV has been on site at both the Elementary and Jr.-Sr. High cleaning those facilities. Carrie and Larry are cleaning at the Elementary, while Doug and Chris are working through tickets at the H.S.

Painting of the gym at the High School will begin on July 1st and will take approximately one week.

Blinds for the Art room are in production and should be installed the first week in July.

We have received quotes on repair of the slide at the Elementary. There are a few different options for repair or modification.

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The roof at the Corporation office is in need of repair. We have received quotes ranging from \$24,000 to \$47,000.

The new shed will be delivered on June 7th. The old shed will be removed before the Fall.

Mr. Martin has replaced two sets of valves on the HVAC system at the Jr.-Sr. High School.

Mr. Copas asked if the repair of the scoreboard at the High School has been completed. Mr. Sighting stated that he was unsure.

Mr. Christopher asked if the cameras in the Jr.-Sr. High School were operational. Officer Jim Davis responded that the issue is not with the cameras, it is with the software. The software is being updated and should take care of any issues we were having.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Sighting reported that he is working on the NWEA letter. He is very happy with the scores for Frontier as compared to other local schools.

There were approximately fifty law changes passed by the general assembly during the spring legislative session. Mr. Sighting highlighted a few of these new laws effecting our buses and bus drivers as well as laws effecting TRF rates.

Restoration, Persuade, Report –QPR, (a suicide prevention program) training will be taking place. This will be provided to staff, at no charge, by Middle Health America.

Work on budgeting for next year continues.

The architectural firm was on site last week taking measurements in order to draw up specs and a contract for the repairs to the football locker room. The contract should be ready in about two weeks.

Mr. Sighting and Mr. Hettinger held a brief graduation ceremony for two students who were unable to receive their diplomas at the commencement ceremony in May.

Budget/Finance

Mr. Sighting reported on the June FY 2020 State Tuition Support Distribution Report. He is pleased that we received 100% of the tuition Support for FY2019.

Mr. Sighting also presented information on the June 2019 Financial Institutions Tax Settlement, June 2019 Commercial Vehicles Excise Tax Settlement, June 2019 Excise Tax Settlement, June 2019 Property Tax Settlement, June 2019 Total Tax Settlements for 2019 Budget, and the State Board of Accounts 2014 to 2018 Audit Report. He reported that we had a clean audit.

Mr. Sighting requested approval of the WHIN Regional Cultivation Fund Grant Agreement. Andie Mears moved to approve the agreement as presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Sighting asked the Board to approve Municipal Primary Election Costs for Vote Centers in White County. These costs were \$15,000 bringing the total cost of the referendum to approximately \$30,000.

Personnel

Mr. Sighting presented a resignation for April Hines, a Frontier Elementary Instructional Assistant effective May 24, 2019. Laura Bell mad a motion to accept the resignation. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the following Extracurricular Recommendations: Melissa Culver-Pekny (High School Cross Country Coach); Todd Pekny (Junior High School Cross Country Coach); Kate Lowe (High School and Junior High School Volunteer Assistant Cross Country Coach); Derek Dean (High School Varsity Football Assistant Coach); Mason Burgess(High School Football Volunteer Assistant Coach); Garrett Goodbar (High School Football Volunteer Assistant Coach); Danielle Sighting (High School Volleyball Varsity Assistant Coach); Lauren Hinshaw (High School Volleyball Junior Varsity Coach); Laura Bell (High School Volleyball Volunteer Assistant Coach); and Faith Willoughby and Lacey Christopher (Jr. High School Volleyball coaches). Additionally, a recommendation to hire Deb Longfellow as the FES Study Table Supervisor was made. Andie Mears made a motion to approve the extracurricular coaching and Study Table recommendations. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting made a recommendation to hire Miss Chyanne Ray as a Frontier Elementary School Instructional Assistant. Laura Bell made a motion to approve this recommendation. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There was a recommendation presented to transfer Deb Longfellow from Frontier Elem. Instructional Assistant to Title I Instructional Assistant. Laura Bell made a motion to approve this recommendation. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Field Trips

A recommendation was presented by Mr. Sighting to approve an overnight field trip for FES 6th grade to Camp Tecumseh. This is an annual trip for our 6th grade students. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the field trip. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Mr. Sighting presented the FES May Donations for Bare Books, Title I awards night and the PE department. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the donations. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented an Affiliation Agreement with Indiana State University for approval. Andie Mears moved to approve the agreement. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Changes to the Course Fees for the Frontier Jr.-Sr. High School 2019-2020 SY were presented. Andie Mears made a motion to approve the course fees as presented. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Sighting presented the course fees for Frontier Elementary school as follows: Kindergarten- \$154.75; First grade- \$182.63; Second grade \$183.83; Third grade- \$184.48; Fourth grade- \$170.49; Fifth grade- \$186.15; Sixth grade- \$197.13. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the course fees. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented information on the Frontier Elementary School 2019 Title I Basic Application Amendment and the Frontier Elementary School 2020 Title I Basic Application.

A bid was presented by Mr. Sighting for the 2019-2020 Wabash Valley Education Center Dairy contract. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the bid. Andie Mears seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 10.7 included the first reading of the changes to the NEOLA Board Policies.

Performance Services gave a presentation on the possible Heating and Air Conditioning upgrades at Frontier Elementary, Frontier Jr.-Sr. High School, and Frontier School Corporation Offices. There was also a presentation on Solar Energy.

Mr. Sighting made a presentation to Mr. Jim Holeman, naming Con-Agra Foods as the Frontier School Corporation Business Partner of the year.

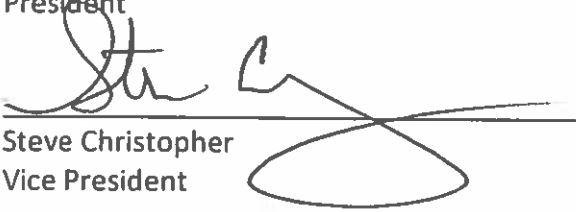
There were no comments from the public.

Andie Mears made a motion to adjourn. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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