Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting June 18, 2018

Mr. Sichting started the public work session. He went over the results of the Community collaboration meetings. He stated the results from everyone who was involved and the surveys that were turned in. We are almost in the bottom 10% of the whole state as far as tax rate and the amount that the school receives. Mr. Sichting gave the board members sheets to compare all of the different tax rates and where we are compared to surrounding townships, cities and schools. He also gave them an excel spreadsheet of all of the information from the Community collaboration meetings. This showed the results of the surveys, the items that the community thinks are important and the changes that they would like to see. The number one thing that the members of those meetings thought were important was recruiting and retaining staff members. The second most important item was some electrical changes to some of our buildings. Mr. Sichting had posed the question wanting to know if there was a tax referendum and it didn't change the tax rate if they would support it. Everyone on the committee said they would support a referendum. Mr. Sichting explained a referendum to the board members. The board members voted unanimously that they would vote to support and vote in January to add a referendum to the May election ballot. Mr. Sichting explained that there would be a lot of work between now and January to get information out to the public. He will also be having many more meetings to educate the public on this referendum.

President JC Copas, members Steve Christopher and Don Mills were present. Also present were Superintendent Dan Sichting, Lawyer Robert Little and Treasurer Jody Morgan. Not present was Vice President Andie Mears and Secretary Laura Bell.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and President JC Copas called the meeting started.

Mr. Sichting had two revisions to the agenda, 7.1 & 7.10, and an addition on 7.12. Don Mills made a motion to approve the revised agenda. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 21st, 2018 meeting. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's revenue report for May was presented to the board. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this report. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The May bank reconciliation report was presented with Steve Christopher making the motion to approve the bank report. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Steve Christopher to approve the balances on the two GO Bonds. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL REPORTS

Mr. Hettinger announced that the Jr/Sr High had two openings and he has the recommendation for those to be approved tonight. We received the Istep scores back today. We had to make a few schedule changes to students who now need remediation.

ELEMENTARY REPORT

Mrs. Bulla reported that the Elementary was renewed for their Gold Star Award status. This is a very high honor and there are many things that go into receiving this award. Mrs. Bulla went over the accomplishments for the year and reported that having the Lily grant has really been helpful and having Mrs. Lock available is extremely helpful.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mr. Sichting gave more information on the new funding that the state is mandating. He talked about now we have five funds and where that money is coming from, it will go to three funds. He also explained where the money will be coming from for those funds and what things we can and can't pay for out of each of them. Mr. Sichting reported that the maintenance group has been cleaning carpets, each classroom thoroughly and waxing floors. They are also mowing weekly at the high school. They will start changing the LED lights at the Jr./Sr. High School next week. The High School gym floor has been finished and now it has to sit for five days with no activity on it. They will start on the Brookston Gym floor next. The boilers have arrived and they will start installing soon. We are getting bids for the roof repairs. Summer school at the Jr./Sr. High Ability classes going on.

BUDGET/FINANCE

Mr. Sichting went over the distribution report, this is the last one for Fiscal year 2018. This payment is a little more because of Special Ed.

June is tax settlement time, so we received payments from Excise Tax, Financial Institutions Tax, Commercial Vehicle Excise Tax, and Property Tax. Mr. Sichting went over the total revenue collection. We received 59% at this time so in December our balance payment will be a little less since it will be 41%.

Mr. Sailors brought a quote from Event Link to the board. This would be a calendar that could show all of the events going on for the whole corporation. It would combine all of the building use agreements with all of the athletics with all of the events showing up on one calendar and everyone in the community would have access to it. The Athletic Department is paying \$300.00 for the calendar system that they have now and it doesn't do everything that the new system will do. The Athletic Department will pay \$300.00 towards Event Links and the balance of the money will come from Capital Projects. Don Mills made a motion to approve the purchase of Event Link. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Steve Christopher to move the local income tax money to the Rainy Day fund. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the purchasing of Komputrol Web Financial Software. The Corporation uses Komputrol now for all of their financial programs. Eventually the software that we have will be outdated and no longer serviceable. The new Web software does have a waiting list of around a year and a half. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting had renewal bids for all of the Corporations insurance. Don Mills made a motion to go with Astra through Henriott Insurance group for all of the property, casualty, liability and automobile insurance. The motion also included staying with MBAH/Heiny insurance for the workman's compensation insurance. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting made a recommendation to purchase Doculivery. This is through Komputrol and all payroll check information would be uploaded to a website and the employees will log on and get their information from there. We will no longer print paychecks or deposit advices. We will also be able to upload W2's and 1095C's. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this purchase. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made the recommendation to approve LLC Company for demolition and installation of the boiler system. Mr. Sichting was going to double check with the company that the quote did include the demolition of the old boiler. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Mrs. Taylor the High School English Teacher turned in her Resignation. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this resignation. Don Mills seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion by Steve Christopher to hire the following people; Mr. Peter Johnson, Jr/Sr High School Physical Education teacher, Mr. Tim Marchelina, Jr/Sr High School English teacher, Ms. Lea Overman to be an Elementary instructional assistant. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Pre-School is scheduled to do extended year instructions. The staff would be; Anne Miltenberger, Deb Lucas, Beccie Tidmore, and Brittany Herbst. Steve Christopher made the motion to approve this recommendation. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented the board with a renewal for the IEP speech contract. Don Mills made the motion to accept the new contract, with Steve Christopher seconding the motion. This motion passed unanimously.

The following coaches were approved in the motion made by Steve Christopher. Becky Segal for Girls Varsity Volleyball, Laura Bell for Girls Varsity Volleyball Volunteer Assistant, Faith Willoughby for Girls Volleyball 9th grade head Volleyball, Jamie Sailors Boys Varsity Football head coach, Chad Sailors, Boys Varsity Football Assistant Coach, Dan Smith Boys Junior Varsity Football Coach, Kyle Marlatt, Boys 7th & 8th grade Football Coach, Cory Oland Boys 7th & 8th Assistant Football Coach, Melissa Culver-Pekny Varsity Cross Country Coach, Todd Pekny for Junior Cross Country Coach, Kate Jones, for Volunteer Cross Country Coach, and Katie Runk for High School Cheerleader Coach. Don Mills seconded this motion and the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was a Math Course Fee for the 2018-2019 school year presented to the board. Don Mills made a motion to approve this fee. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There were several donations from Psi lota Xi, there were also donations from the PTO, Kappa Kappa Sigma and the Indiana Sunshine Society. Don Mills made the motion to approve all of these donations. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The board appreciates all of the donations.

The state of Indiana requires you to list the amount of students in each grade that you will except to transfer in. Don Mills motioned to accept the amount that Mr. Sichting had for each grade. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Elementary presented the board with the textbook rental fees for the 2018-2019 school year. There was some discussion with each student having either a Chromebook or an IPad the fees are a little higher this year.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve these amounts. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be at the Corporation office on July 16th.

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