Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting June 20, 2016

J.C. Copas called the regular school board meeting to order. Vice President Steve Christopher, members Andie Mears and Don Mills were present. Also present was Superintendent Mrs. Cathy Rowe, Attorney Robert Little and Treasurer Jody Morgan. Secretary Laura Bell was not present. The pledge was recited and the meeting began.

Mrs. Rowe presented 7.1.14 a request to retire from Kathy Hinshaw, 7.1.15 a recommendation for Clara Rodgers as JR High cheer coach, 7.1.16 a request for Jayme Whitaker to be an Elementary teacher, 7.24 items to be salvaged, 7.25 a field trip request for the boys basketball team to go to a camp at Fort Wayne for four days. Steve Christopher requested we add 7.26 facility usage policy. Don Mills made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 16th, May 26th, and the June 8th board meetings as they were presented. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made a motion to approve the treasures report. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Steve Christopher to approve the claims as they were presented. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PRINCIPALS REPORTS

Mr. Hoover reported that all Chromebook parts have been ordered and a lot of the Chromebook have been repaired and are ready for the start of school. The technology department has replaced all wireless and the Jr/Sr High School. They will start on the Elementary, but will take a lot more work.

Mr. Hettinger reported that school wrapped up really well. Graduation went very well. As of right now, the High School is fully staffed. Mrs. Gregorovic is doing summer school by working with the kids on Apex classes; she is doing a really good job. The high school canopy is gone. They are working on a new sign. They are receiving new carpet in the high school and it is looking really nice! The cabinets are installed in the music room and are very nice. The gym floor is being redone and should be finished today.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mrs. Rowe had a presentation on IStep results. There were improvements on our IStep scores. Mrs. Rowe updated the board on the project. Nipsco is due to come and move some wires and lines before the canopy can be finished. The steel has been ordered to start on the PE addition. The colors of the bricks for that addition have been picked out and match our current bricks really close.

NEW BUSINESS

Don Mills made a motion to accept the following recommendations; Joe Smith to transfer to FJSHS as a social studies teacher, Lynnora Blissett to be a route bus driver, a food service stipend for the FJSHS cafeteria workers, Kim Ropp to transfer to the JSHS cafeteria cashier position, Jennifer Newcom to be the FJSHS 4/7 Social Studies teacher, Katie Elder to be a 5th grade teacher, Cory Tonnsen to be transportation

assistant, Christy McMindes to add nurse assistant to her duties, Lisa Kopka request to reduce hours, Clara Rodgers to be the Jr High Cheer coach, and Jayme Whitaker to be an Elementary teacher. There were resignations from Dawna Gagnon as an elementary paraprofessional, Deb Stoller as a bus driver, Jim Longfellow Elementary custodian, and a retirement request from Kathy Hinshaw. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a request from Jana Blacker to reduce her days or hours for her route. The board decided to table that request at this time.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the contract with IEP Therapy for a speech teacher for the 16-17 school year. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe had a resolution to adopt state board of accounts internal control standards. Don Mills made a motion to approve this resolution, Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Don Mills to approve the 16-17 school year Chromebook handbook. Steve Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Crossing Schools had presented a contract to Mrs. Rowe. If one of our students would use the crossings then we would pay, if no one does than we will not have to pay. Andie Mears made a motion to approve this contract. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe must establish the number of transfer students the school corporation has the capacity in each class to hold. Mrs. Rowe proposed 20 additional students in each grade. The preschool that is in place by Cooperative School Services will not accept any transfers outside of our special education cooperative. All transfer for the preschool must be based on the needs of the child, space availability and staffing. Don Mills made a motion to approve these guidelines. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe submitted an annual legal service agreement with Robert Little to be the school corporations lawyer. Don Mills made a motion to approve this agreement. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

David Hoover presented the board with a requisition to order new laptops for all the teachers. Don Mills made a motion to approve this requisition. Andi Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe presented the board with an insurance renewal proposal. She had data from preface years. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the insurance bid from Selective Insurance Company. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe presented a request that the district provide assistance in the form of a partial reimbursement of monies paid to teachers to take courses necessary to become highly qualified in their assigned area. Don Mills made a motion to approve this request. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

The milk and bread bids were presented with Prairie Farms winning the milk bid, and Aunt Millie's winning the bread bid. Don Mills made a motion to approve these bids. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

Mrs. Ropp presented the board with breakfast and lunch prices for the 16-17 school year. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve these prices. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

The food bids were presented to the board with Stanz being the best bid. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve Stanz for the food bid. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Wheeldon presented the board with a request for an additional program to add to power school that is for medical information. They system is called Caredox. This will help Mrs. Wheeldon in many ways, one being all of the medical information for each student will be in the same spot. It will be easy to track nurse visits and should make record keeping a lot easier. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve Caredox. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Grosso presented the board with bids for a new mower. Don Mills made a motion to approve purchasing the Ferris model IS 3200 from Phoenix Lawn and garden. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Rowe presented the board with a contract with Administrator Assistance to have Dr. Crimmins be the interim Superintendent until the new Superintendent starts, working three days a week. Don Mills made a motion to approve this recommendation. Andie Mears seconded the recommendation, and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion by Andie Mears to accept a contract with Mrs. Rowe for Superintendent Consultation. This would include working on next year's budget, helping assist Dr. Crimmins and the new Superintendent in any way she could. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Dr. Crimmins presented the board with two quotes to tear down the blue house. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the bid from Segal's Delta Trucking. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to accept the changes for the first reading of the Neola Policies. Andie Mears seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously. There will be a second reading at the July 18th board meeting.

Mr. Sailors was asking for the board's approval to reform and join the Midwest Conference with the following teams; North White, Tri-county, West Central, South Newton, and North Newton. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this request. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Steve Christopher to approve the staying overnight for the girls softball team when they traveled to the state championship. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

The 6th grade teachers requested approval for the students to take their annual overnight trip to Camp Tecumseh. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this request. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the hearing with the economic development for the public hearing of the county council of White County regarding the designation of an economic revitalization area in White County Indiana. Don Mills seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Grosso presented the board with several items that he wanted to send to the school house auction. Several of these items we have not used for a long time, and some of them are broken. Don Mills made a motion to approve the disposal of these items. Steve Christopher seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made the motion to approve a boys' basketball trip for an overnight camp. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher wants to look at the board's policy and set standard fees for usage of our buildings or grounds. The board agreed to discuss this more next month.

There were other comments and questions from the public

Don Mills made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

The next school board meeting will be at the Corporation office at 7:00 pm on July 18th, 2016.

President

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Secretary

Member