Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting September 17, 2018

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

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

Mr. Sichting had two revisions to the agenda, removing 8.2.3 from the agenda, and tabling 4.2 Bank Reconciliation. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the revised agenda. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 20th, 2018 meeting. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's revenue report for August 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 August bank reconciliation report was tabled for this month with Steve Christopher making the motion to table the bank report. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears motioned to approve the GO Bond spreadsheet and expenditures. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made a motion to approve the balance of the August claims APV number 10414 - 10430, and the September claims APV number 10431 - 10512. The motion also includes the August 22nd payroll. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Mr. Hoover gave the Technology Report, stating we had hired a new team member pending tonight's approval. He also reported that over 200 iPad were configured and deployed to Kindergarten, First, and Second Grade classrooms. Over 320 Chromebooks were deployed to the Jr/Sr High students including 180 new devices that were received this summer. Another 180 Chromebooks are being given out to Third, Fourth, and Fifth graders to replace the older Chromebooks. Sixth graders received their new Chromebooks earlier this year. Mr. Cooper is still on contract at this time, and is helping complete work tickets. The internet upgrade was finally complete last month, we have new firewall and filters and more Mbps.

ELEMENTARY REPORT

Mrs. Bordner reported this is a big week at the Elementary School. We have picture day, Parent/Teacher conferences, C.L.A.S.S. day, the annual kickball game and Movie Night. Jill Woods hosted a Title 1 Open House on September 5th. Thanks to Jill Layton, Amanda Wheeldon, and Jim Davis for their dual role work after Terry Hall's presentation to students. We are hosting nine Purdue EDPS 265 students. We received our Buddy Bench today. We will have our annual wellness screening on September 26th. There are multiple field trips for all grades coming up very soon.

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ATHLETIC & TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

Mr. Sailors reported that all athletics are mid-season for the fall sports. Cross Country has been having strong performances. Homecoming for Football will be next week playing against Tri-county. For transportation we have received new radios and have moved the repeater tower to the Chalmers water tower. The reception is very well; we can hear the driver that goes to Benton Central and Tri-County. This is a very good thing and has really helped with communication to all drivers.

JR/SR HIGH REPORT

Mr. Hettinger gave the Jr/Sr High School Report stating that he went to a safety academy last week. Mrs. Layton and Mr. Hettinger went to an Indian Trails meeting today. The first round of NWEA is complete. We are using different software for Math and Language arts credit recovery this year. During the 2nd nine weeks during block scheduling we will be having a separate class for students who are having problems reading.

MAINTENANCE

We had to order guards for the Elementary chiller and will be installing them in the next week or two. The janitorial staff is planning on cleaning carpets during fall break, and we would like to buff the Elementary Café and Kindergarten rooms. We hope to finish up the LED light replacement over fall break also. Mr. Martin really wanted to thank Jaykob Clothier and Jake Rhoda for their mowing this summer, they have been able to keep up on it and it always looks very nice!

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mr. Sichting reported that all of the safe schools videos are uploaded and ready to be watched. Title 2a & Title 4 grants have been submitted. Thursday Mr. Sichting will be going to a White County Safety Meeting. The Pride group is meeting with area white county businesses. Thursday night Mr. Sichting will be having the first meeting discussing the referendum; it will be during the Psi lota xi meeting. The graduation requirements from the state are changing. Mr. Sichting talked more about ESSA which will split out the money differently than it is now. When we receive our letter grades from the state and the federal government they will be scored differently. The federal government will have six indicators that the grade on and the state will only have four indicators.

BUDGET/FINANCE

Mr. Sichting reported the budget for Fiscal year 2019 has been advertised.

Steve Christopher made a motion to adopt the 2019 Capital Projects Fund. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The bus replacement plan was presented and Steve Christopher made a motion to accept this plan. The plan states that we will not be buying a new bus in the 2019 year. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a resolution to shift a portion of contracted bus service to the operations fund for school bus replacement. This will use funds to pay for the contracted driver. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this resolution. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented the board with the 2019-2019 agreement between Frontier School Corporation and the Frontier Classroom Teachers Association. Steve Christopher made the motion to approve this agreement. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented the board with the September State tuition payment. We were being paid on 667 students and as of Friday we had 668. We will see a little more money in November. We will see less money for the Honors Grant in November and December. Special Education count is in November so those funds could be adjusted. The CTE grant money could be more as the Complexity grant.

There was a resolution presented to transfer local income tax from general fund to the rainy day fund. Don Mills made the motion, Steve Christopher seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Andie Mears made the motion to except the resignation from Mr. Brewer, Jr/Sr High School Special Education Teacher. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to approve the hiring of Al Lindstorm as the new Technology Assistant. The motion also included giving Chris Peterson an increase in pay since his 30 day probation period. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a request for a teacher to be granted maternity leave. Steve Christopher made a motion to approve this leave. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Andie Mears made a motion to approve both the Elementary and the Jr/Sr High School Extra-Curricular account from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There were donations given to both the Frontier Athletic Boosters for Boys Basketball and for Cheerleading. These donations were for \$2000.00. Don Mills made the motion to approve these donations. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There were items that were declared surplus property for the purpose of disposal. The items might be able to be sold before they were disposed of. Don Mills made the motion to approve the sale or disposal of these items. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a request for the foreign language students to take a trip. There was some discussion from the board. Steve Christopher made a motion to table this request at this time. Andie Mears seconded that motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented an agreement with Ivy Tech Community College for the campus based dual credit program. Andie Mears made a motion to approve this agreement. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Steve Christopher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Andie Mears seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be at the Elementary School on October 15th.

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