Frontier School Board of Trustees

School Board Meeting October 15, 2018

President JC Copas, Vice President Andie Mears, Secretary Laura Bell, and members Steve Christopher and Don Mills were all 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 four revisions to the agenda, adding 7.13 Non certified Insurance Contribution Pool, 10.2.5 Music Department donation from Community Foundation of White County. 10.2.6 Anonymous donation for basketball program to fund the shoot away machine. Also there was an addition of the GO Bond spreadsheet to be approved. Don Mills made a motion to approve the revised agenda. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 17th, 2018 meeting. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's revenue report for September was presented to the board. Andie Mears made a motion to approve this report. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The August and September bank reconciliation reports were presented to the board. Laura Bell made the motion to approve both months' bank reconciliation reports. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell motioned to approve the GO Bond spreadsheet and expenditures. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made a motion to approve the balance of the September claims APV number 10513 - 10538, and the October claims APV number 10539 - 10619. The motion also includes the September 7^{th} , September 21^{st} and the October 5^{th} payroll. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Mr. Hoover gave the Technology Report, stating the Technology Department has closed 600 tickets so far this year. Class sets of IPads have been upgraded for K-2 students and teachers. The third and fourth graders Chromebooks that had been backordered have been received and are ready. Mr. Al Lindstrom has started and has been a great help!

ELEMENTARY REPORT

Mrs. Bordner reported some of the upcoming events at the Elementary School are; Veterans Day Program will be November 8th in the morning at the Elementary and at the JR/SR High in the evening. This is Red Ribbon week with activities planned. Trunk-or-Treat will be October 30th. This year Fountain Trust bank will be there providing hot dogs and the HS band will be performing. Elections are in the old Gym on November 6th. Basketball, Spell Bowl, and Robotics have all started. We want to congratulate the Marlatt family on the arrival of a new baby. Please keep Kim Musgrave in your prayers as she has upcoming back surgery.

JR/SR HIGH REPORT

Mr. Hettinger gave the Jr/Sr High School Report stating there are new graduation pathways to accomplish for graduation. Before you had to pass Istep and now you do not have to. He has been doing teacher observations. There will be a choir concert on Wednesday.

ATHLETIC & TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

Mr. Sailors reported both the Cross County girls and boys made it to Regionals. Myah Krintz was in the top 5 and gets to go to Semi State. Volleyball got 2nd at sectionals. The Football team will play in the first round of sectionals against Carroll. The girl's basketball team started practice today. We are trying to find bus drivers to take athletic and field trips. We might have to change and make drivers each take a minimum of so many trips.

COUNSELORS

Kathy Bassett reported that the PSAT was given to all 10th and 11th graders on October 10th. The ASVAB will be given to all 11th graders and some 12th graders on 11/7. All white county schools are going together and having the FAFSA meetings. This year the meeting will be at the Twin Lakes. ISTEP retakes for juniors and seniors will be the 2nd week in November. Mr. Sichting, Ms. Bulla and I attended the Lily meeting in Indianapolis this month. We will be having an advisory board meeting for this grant in November. Some of the programs with this grant are Naviance and Why Try. Ms. Bulla did some of these things with the 6th graders.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Mr. Sichting reported that next week is fall break. We will have vendors in to finish the polishing and waxing of the linoleum floors. We will be re insulating water pipes at the Jr/Sr high school. The custodian staff is finishing the LED light exchange. Mr. Long will be fixing some concrete at the Elementary over break and installing the Ballards at the Jr/Sr high school. We received a cyber matching grant, we will spend \$5000.00 then they will match that. Mr. Sichting has done three presentations about the referendum and will do another tomorrow night. The High School HVAC system is forty one years old so we will need to be looking at that soon.

BUDGET/FINANCE

Mr. Sichting presented the board with the 2019 Ordinance or Resolution of Appropriations and Tax Rates. He went over the advertised budget and the advertised tax levies. Laura Bell made a motion to approve these amounts for this budget and tax levies. Andi Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented the board with the School Corporation Budget goals for 2019. Don Mills made a motion to approve these goals. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting then presented the board with a recommendation to authorize Mr. Sichting or Jody Morgan to make reductions in the 2019 budget appropriations, tax levies, or tax rate as mandated after receiving the 2019 1782 notice. Don Mills made a motion to approve this recommendation. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The October Tuition Support was reduced by \$91.53 because of Medicaid. Jody Morgan will transfer the Medicaid amount to the general fund. The Vocational Grant is not correct and will be increased in November or December. The Special Education Grant will have a new count and be reconciled in November. The Academic Honors Grant will also be reconciled in November.

There was a resolution to move the local income tax receipts from the general fund to the rainy day fund. Don Mills made a motion to approve this. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Frontier School Corporation received money from the Wind Farm. We are asking the boards permission to deposit this money in the employee enhancement fund. Don Mills made a motion to approve this request. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting put in a recommendation to give the Administrators, non-certified, technology director, food service and bus driver employees a pay increase, a onetime stipend and a longevity stipend. Laura Bell made a motion to approve this recommendation. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented the board with information on the Maverick Energy savings.

Mr. Sichting requested that the board approve paying bus drivers and cafeteria staff for doing the Safe Schools Training. Laura Bell made a motion to approve this request. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Don Mills made a motion to approve the agreement with First Tuesday Communications for consultant services. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a recommendation to increase the substitute pay rate for instructional assistants. Laura Bell made a motion to approve this recommendation. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting explained the money that was in the pool to use for non–certified insurance contribution. Laura Bel made a motion to approve these amounts. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL

Laura Bell made a motion to accept Ms. Beccie Tidmore, Ms. Deb Allen, and Ms. Jackie Wyatt's resignation. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andie Mears made a recommendation to approve the pay raise for Micaela Bushman and to retro her pay to the beginning of school. Laura Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion to approve Allison Thayer as a Jr/Sr High Special Education Teacher effective January 4th, 2019. Miss Samara Taylor to fill Frontier Elementary Kindergarten maternity leave. Transfer Amanda Balser transfer to Jr/Sr High school library after fulling in for Mrs. Musgrave's leave. Deb Bowsman to fill an Elementary instructional Assistant position. Mrs. Tammy Nelson to fill the Jr/Sr High cashier position. Laura Bell made the motion to approve these recommendations. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The following ECA coaches were presented for approval; Tony Metzger for Wrestling coach, Scott Sproles Wrestling Assistant coach, Wrestling Volunteer coach Dave Cutchin, Wrestling Volunteer coach Kyle Weaver, Girls Varsity Basketball coach Minshen Ho, Girls Varsity Assistant Basketball coach Colleen Leonard, Girls 9th grade basketball coach Terry Elliott, Melinda Culver girls 8th grade Basketball coach, Lisa Zarse girls 7th grade Basketball coach, Tim Mickle girls 6th grade Basketball coach, 4th & 5th grade basketball coach is Kinsey Howe, Girls Basketball Volunteer Asst. coach is Destinee Boatman, Girls Basketball Volunteer Ciera White, Girls Basketball Volunteer Assistant coach Tessa Thomas, Boys Varsity Basketball coach Joe Smith, Boys Varsity Basketball Assistant David Gilbert, Boys 9th grade coach Jake Sullivan, Boys Basketball 8th grade Kyle Marlatt, Boys Basketball 7th grade coach Mack Lopp, Boys 6th grade basketball Dan Layton, Boys Basketball 4th & 5th grade coach Doug Kessler, Boys volunteer Basketball coach Daniel Jakes, Katie Schroeder Jr High Cheerleading coach, Andie Mears made a motion to approve these coaching recommendations. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve paying a stipend to Mrs. Cassie Terry for Elementary Robotics being paid out of the High Ability grant. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Kelly Knochel requested from the board that they grant her maternity leave on or before November 26, 2018 through on or about February 28, 2019. Steve Christopher made a motion to accept this request. Andie Mears second the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

FIELD TRIPS

A motion by Steve Christopher was made to approve the FFA going to Trafalgar for the weekend. Andie Mears seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Sichting presented the board with the expulsion hearing appeal and recommended a vote to uphold the original outcome. Andie Mears made a motion to approve this recommendation. Don Mills seconded the motion, this motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sichting presented the board with several donations; Brookston Legion donation of \$200.00 to the Elementary, anonymous donation of two microwaves, money donated for negative lunch accounts, music instruments, and technology items. Andie Mears made a motion to approve these donations. Don Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The board thanks all of the donors.

Laura Bell motioned to approve the authority to advertise for quotes for snow removal. Steve Christopher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a motion made by Steve Christopher to approve the disposal of old IPads. Laura Bell seconded this motion and the motion passed unanimously.

There were no comments from the public.

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 Jr/Sr. High School on November 19th.

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