

Frontier School Corporation
126 E Main St
Chalmers, IN 47929

Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees
Monday, March 18, 2024

Present: President David Rosenbarger, Secretary Jared Rosenbarger, School Board Members Stephanie LaOrange and Shelley Christopher

Absent: Vice President Laura Bell

Also Present: Superintendent Dan Sighting, and Treasurer Cortney Parrish

President David Rosenbarger called the Meeting to order at 7:00PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Routine Business

Stephanie LaOrange moved to approve the agenda with the addition of 11.5-2024 Landscape and Lawncare Quotes and the revision of 11.6-2025-2026 School Calendar Survey Results: 11.6.1-Parents and 11.6.2-Teachers. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Shelley Christopher made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 26, 2024 regular School Board Meeting. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Shelley Christopher made a motion to approve the February 29, 2024 Fund Report as presented. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the February 29, 2024 Appropriation Report as presented. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange moved to approve the February 29, 2024 Revenue Report as presented. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange moved to approve the February 29, 2024 Bank Reconciliation Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the February 29, 2024 Bond Report as presented. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the February 29, 2024 Transfer Report as presented. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Shelley Christopher moved to approve the March 18, 2024 Claims as presented. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Technology Report

Mr. McFadden reported that the new teacher laptops are in. He spoke with Microsoft and received training on how to use our volume licensing system to activate the new teacher laptops. The High School's are ready to be handed out, and they will wrap up at the Elementary this week. The Hicom security system install at the Elementary is up and running. There are a few items that they did not have on the truck. However, the system is functioning. Front end control and card assignment will be completed by Officer Bolen and the SRO teams. Over the summer he will look at bringing in a specialist to fine tune the servers. There are a few "quirks" in the system that are over his head and having someone that knows the correct approach will save money in the long run. They will be looking at the following: firewall settings, fiber and ISP settings, and full system recovery/backups. With the growing world of technology, systems connecting to the internet are becoming more and more important. Athletics would like to get the last of the campus on to the network by connecting the baseball field to the internet. He is looking at cost effective ways to make that happen which would involve running fiber, bridge technology, and cellular. He and Mr. Sighting went to a convention on AI and how it will affect the school and classroom.

Elementary Report

Mrs. Layton reported that the elementary is now on the fast track to the end of the school year. She thinks everyone is ready for spring break. The FES book fair happened earlier this month. She thanked Paula lunghuhn for organizing the event. There was a great turnout for the Kindergarten roundup last week (best one ever). Testing dates are April 10th and April 11th. The Music Booster Fundraiser, POP's Night, is Wednesday at 6:30 at the elementary. In the board packet, she provided the 24-25 FES Student Handbook, maternity leave recommendation for 1st grade, and the transfer limits for the 24-25 school year. The elementary teachers participated in Discovery Science or Mystery Science PD at the beginning of the month. She thanked Erin Notary for organizing with the company. New key fobs are distributed and working at FES. Mrs. Layton thanked Officer Bolen, for getting that done. The new playground is finished and the students were saying "Best Day Ever" when they got to go out and play. She thanked Mr. Peterson for staying on track with this. Mrs. Bassett and Mrs. Turner came to visit FES 6th grade last week to review expectations for next year. 7th Grade Orientation is April 24th. Exciting events this month: 6th Grade went to the Challenger Center, 2nd Grade visited the Monticello Fire Department, Kindergarten had Donuts with Dad/Special Person last Friday, and the 4th Grade will do their Famous Hoosier Wax Museum on Friday. NWEA testing starts the week after spring break. This is the final round of testing so she is anxious to see the results. April is packed with lots of spring field trips and events coming up. Grade levels are also walking to the Brookston Library in April and May so we appreciate the partnership with them to get students eager about their summer reading program. The Student Council carnival is April 11th. She encouraged all to donate candy. April 17th is the 4th-grade recorder concert. Come on out and listen to Hot Cross Buns. April 19th is the annual 6th grade vs. staff kickball game and she invited those present to sign-up to play. IREAD results have come in but can't be announced until the April board meeting. She is proud of the results and even had some perfect scores that will be recognized next month. Everyone is holding on tight and making sure things are getting accomplished, students are learning, and she and her staff are also preparing for the next school year.

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Jr.-Sr. High Report

Mr. Hettinger reported that since the last board meeting, he met with representatives from Ivy Tech to discuss options for maintaining our dual credit status in Chemistry next year. The Interview Team has conducted several interviews for the two open positions: Chemistry, and PE. He attended the Ivy Tech College 14 Summit, where the focus was on student dual credit opportunities. SAT testing conducted by Mrs. Bassett went off without a problem. The 3rd quarter grading period has ended and we are one week into the 4th nine weeks. The high school will release early at 1:15 on April 8 due to the solar eclipse. He provided the end of year schedule of events at the high school.

Athletics Report

Mr. Gretencord reported that all winter sports have concluded. The Winter Sports Awards night was well attended. Boys Basketball finished up with a 7-16 record losing in the 2nd round of Sectional. Track has their first track meet tomorrow at North White. Football interviews are happening this week. Maddyx Osborne is signing with Manchester to wrestle. This signing will occur on Tuesday, March 19 at 3:30.

Counselors Report

Mrs. Bassett reported that the SAT School Day was given to all juniors on March 6th. She is awaiting scores to determine what students achieved the scores needed to complete bucket three of the Post-Secondary Readiness checklist. I-Learn for grades 7 and 8 and Biology will begin the week of April 15th. Pre-registration is going well and is gearing up for 7th grade orientation with the 6th graders, and freshman orientation with the 8th graders. The course description book is complete for the 24-25 school year and will be presented for approval at the next school board meeting. There are currently 44 seniors. Of those, 10 will receive the Indiana College Core Certificate, and 1 will receive an associate's degree from Ivy Tech. Thirteen seniors will receive an academic and technical honors diploma, 4 seniors will receive a technical honors diploma. The Frontier Education Foundation funded 14 teacher grants this year totaling \$3535. FEF bingo night is April 19th. Tickets go on sale after spring break.

Transportation Report

Mrs. Hall reported transportation has been taken care of for sports and field trips that have been turned in. She has been working on Medicaid reimbursement for special education transportation. Bus maintenance is ongoing. Several buses are going in for maintenance over spring break. She is still looking for drivers and there will be an open route starting in May.

Food Service Report

No report

Maintenance Report

Mr. Peterson reported that he talked to several contractors about replacing the fire alarm panel and the intercom systems at the elementary. Both were hit with lightning during a storm last month. He thanked Christopher's Lawn Care for helping finish the playground. During spring break he has scheduled the Elementary cafeteria and hallway to be stripped and waxed by Midwest Flooring. They will begin during the

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week of March 25, 2024. The Elementary maintenance staff will strip and wax the stage floor. Maintenance will also work on work orders and other duties assigned. Also during spring break he has scheduled the Jr/Sr High School cafeteria to be stripped and waxed by Jack Laurie Group. They will start the week of March 25, 2024. During this time the Jr/Sr High School custodian will be cleaning the gym, weight room, and locker rooms and other duties as assigned. He replaced the domestic hot water booster pump for the Jr high wing. The pump was not supplying hot water to the water stations and faucets. He is still waiting on the correct carpet tiles for the main office to be finished. The contractor brought the right size but wrong color. Once that is completed maintenance can finish the final touches. He had to call in ICU Mechanical for the High School walk-in freezer. It was low on refrigerant and there was a small leak. All has been repaired and is in working order.

School Safety Report

Officer Bolen reported that the new security system is almost completed at the elementary school with the exception of one entry door and camera on the old gym facing the playground, and alarms on gym exterior doors. The system is up and running and operating well. Vulnerable assessment forms are almost complete for the school safety grant. Very rarely is the alarm being set off for opening/propping open doors. Enforce 911 system implementation did not go well last week. They have re-evaluated and made some changes and they will be re-testing the alarm system soon.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Sighting reported that the 2024 Bonds were sold with a 3% interest rate. The closing on the bonds is scheduled for March 28th. It will take about a week to get access to the funds from the bonds. He will be presenting bids for Brookston gym painting, lawn care, and landscaping. He received the AIA contract and will present it to the board in April. He spoke about the AI seminar he attended concerning artificial intelligence in education and how it will be helpful to teachers. Indiana legislation has passed a law to leave it up to the local school districts whether to allow cell phone use and possession in school. The Disruptive Student legislation was amended and has not passed. Mrs. Jensen, Mrs. McMullen, and Mrs. Wright have agreed to participate in the new state of Indiana pilot for the ILEARN check-ins. The ILEARN check-ins will result in the state of Indiana no longer funding the formative assessment grant moving forward. After kindergarten round-up we are currently at 51 kindergarteners for next year. Typically, at this time we are usually at 38 and expect to pick up another 10-15 prior to school starting. He just received the next NEOLA update and NEOLA policies will be coming to the board for approval in the next couple of months.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No Comments

Budget/Finance

Mr. Sighting presented the March FY 2024 Tuition Support Distribution.

Mr. Sighting presented the Brookston Gym painting quotes. Shelley Christopher made a motion to accept the Thayer quote. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Sighting presented the Frontier Elementary School intercom quotes. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to accept the Brand Tech quote. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the Frontier Elementary School fire alarm panel quotes. Shelley Christopher made a motion to accept the Mulhaupts' quote. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Personnel

Mr. Sighting presented the resignation: Mr. Derek Dean-Frontier Jr.-Sr. High School Physical Education Teacher Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to accept the resignation. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the hires:

- Frontier Jr-Sr High School Kitchen Assistant/Dish Room Attendant
- Frontier School Corporation Summer Maintenance Assistant
- Frontier School Corporation Minibus Substitute Driver

Shelley Christopher made a motion to approve the hire. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the 2023-2024 Extra-Curricular appointments:

- Frontier Jr.-Sr. High School Volunteer Assistant Golf Coach
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Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to approve the recommendations. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented Frontier Elementary cafeteria manager hourly wage Increase. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the increase. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the hire of Frontier Elementary School 1st Grade maternity leave long-term substitute teacher. Shelley Christopher made a motion to approve the hire. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the Frontier Jr.-Sr. High School Instructional Assistant Hourly Wage for CPR Training. No motion was made.

Field Trips

Mr. Sighting presented the Frontier Jr.-Sr. High School Health Occupations Students of America (Overnight) field trip. Shelley Christopher made a motion to approve the field trip. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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Other Business

Mr. Sighting presented the 2024-2025 Frontier School Corporation grade level transfer numbers. Shelley Christopher made a motion to approve the transfer numbers. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the 2024-2025 Frontier Elementary Student Handbook. Shelley Christopher made a motion to approve the handbook revisions. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the A.I.A Frontier Elementary School Danco Roofing Contract. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the contract. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the authorization to sign agreements for special education alternative services and private residential school placements. Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to approve the early dismissal. Shelley Christopher seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Sighting presented the landscape and lawn care quotes. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to accept the J Christopher quote. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously with Shelley Christopher abstaining.

Mr. Sighting presented the 2025-2026 school calendar survey results from parents and teachers.

Public Comments

None

Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to adjourn at 8:14PM. Stephanie La Orange seconded the motion.

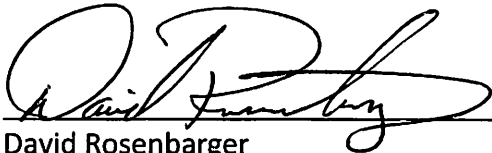
Next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting-Monday, April 15, 2024 at Frontier Elementary School, 811 Railroad Street, Brookston, IN 47923. This meeting is fully accessible. Any person wanting additional accommodations should contact the Frontier School Corporation Superintendent's Office at (219) 984-5009.

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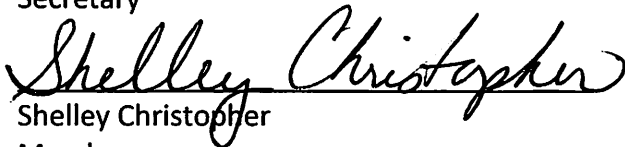
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