Frontier School Corporation
126 E Main St
Chalmers, IN 47929

School Board Meeting
MAR 17 2025
APPROVED

Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees
Monday, February 17, 2025

Present: President David Rosenbarger, Vice President Laura Bell, Secretary Jared Rosenbarger, and School Board Member Stephanie LaOrange

Absent: David Cosgray

Also Present: Superintendent Fred Unsicker

President David Rosenbarger called the Meeting to order at 7:04 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Routine Business

Laura Bell moved to approve the agenda. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the minutes for the January 20, 2025 Regular School Board Meeting. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to approve the January 31, 2025 Fund Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange moved to approve the January 31, 2025 Appropriation Report as presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the January 31, 2025 Revenue Report as presented. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange moved to approve the January 31, 2025 Bank Reconciliation Report as presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the January 31, 2025 Bond Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell moved to approve the January 31, 2025 Transfer Report as presented. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange moved to approve the 2024 End of Year Fund Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the 2024 End of Year Appropriations Report as presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to approve the 2024 End of Year Revenue Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the 2024 End of Year Appropriation Transfer Report as presented. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Laura Bell moved to approve the February 17, 2025 Claims as presented. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jr.-Sr. High Report

Mr. Hettinger reported that Frontier hosted teachers and administrators from Sheridan, Seeger, and Parke Community Schools to collaborate and discuss best practices in the Early College, Dual Credit world.
We recently updated the Early College Tracking board to reflect the latest grading period. Currently, there are 42 students listed on the board who have accumulated 603 college credit hours, equaling an estimated $363, 609.00 in tuition savings. Frontier Jr-Sr HS teachers continue to update and create their course curriculum guides. The goal is to create a library that can easily be accessed by the next teacher. Since the last board meeting, we have reorganized the science department and have moved the high school chemistry classes to Dr. Pratt's schedule. While Dr. Pratt's main area is biology, he is also licensed in chemistry. So far, the move has been smooth and should get us to the end of the school year. We will post the position again after Spring Break. He has been in contact with 3 Indiana colleges and all of their chemistry teachers graduating in May already have a job. Much of his time lately has been spent on faculty observations – things are going well on that front. On February 7, students in grades 7-12 participated in the "Choices Matter" program. The program provides a first-hand message about making bad choices. Progress reports have already gone out for the 3 rd nine weeks and we are just 4 weeks from the end of the 3rd nine weeks grading period.

Elementary Report

Mrs. Layton thanked Mrs. Notary and the FES Staff, for covering for her while she was out on a medical leave.
The FES PTO Pancake and Pajama Night is coming up next week on Feb. 25th. She encouraged all to come out and enjoy free pancakes and visit the book fair. 5:30-7:00; She thanked all the donors and volunteers.
The reading committee is working on our new reading adoption. They have met a couple of times and staff members will review our top selection at the next PD Day. She is hoping to have the recommendation at the March School board meeting. FES also has a committee working on the student handbook for the 25-26 school year. IREAD is coming up for FES 2nd & 3rd graders. They will test the first week of March. Any student that does not pass has to take summer school in the month of June. That summer school has to be taught by a teacher trained in the Keys to Early Literacy. The 3rd grade students then will test again at the end of June. If they do not pass and do not meet the requirements of a special education waiver or pass ILEARN Math they will have to be retained in 3rd grade. Parents have received information about this via letters sent home and the parents monthly newsletter. Final Spring NWEA testing will start again the week after spring break.
Mrs. Notary finished WIDA testing for elementary students and Mrs. Mathis completed them for the HS student. 4th-6th grade Career Fair is coming up on the first Friday in April. If you know any presenters that would come and speak about their careers; please let her know. On the upcoming PD Day the staff of grades 4th-8th will hear from a presenter about Differentiating Instruction with our special education students, UFLI overview, a presentation from our speech pathologist, Miss Scheel, ILEARN Pilot debrief from 5th grade teachers that piloted

this year, and have time to review the new reading adoption the committee has recommended. There are lots of ACR and RTI meetings for students. Staff observations are still going on.

Technology Report

Mr. McFadden reported that they moved chromebook licenses to the new chromebooks. Technology has also been assisting officer Bolen with the new Camera and warning software. There was a battery issue with the HVAC server at the Elementary that has been fixed. During the weather delay and dismissal days they installed updates to the 5 servers and firewall. He is looking into the yearly software subscriptions to see what adjustments need to be made. E-recycling was a success but there was no resale value for any of the items.

School Safety Report

Officer Bolen reported that E3 is online and operating at both buildings. The Sheriff will have access to the school's camera system. This summer they will practice with the system conducting a fire drill and an active shooter scenario.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Unsicker reported that Mr. Peterson is working on the air handler issue. He is meeting with the company who conducted the boiler study which could include replacing the air handler. He reminded them of the flood due to the water leak of 176,000+ gallons of water in the junior high football locker room. ServPro has been great getting the area dried out and eliminating potential mold. He and Mr. Peterson have been evaluating the night-time cleaning crew. They are looking into bringing the night-time cleaning back in house. Road construction season is coming and he will be working with the companies to make sure that we can still get kids across the highway. He is working on obtaining job descriptions from all employees. The ECA sponsors will also write a list of their responsibilities. Diligent is working on building the website for the school board. Next month he will bring to the board an additional appropriation for textbooks. He also discussed updating the Frontier School's website.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No Comments

Budget/Finance

Mr. Unsicker presented the February FY 2025 Tuition Support Distribution.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Junior High School Football Locker Room Water Remediation. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the remediation. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Classroom Chairs and Desks Replacement (Capital Projects). Laura Bell made a motion to approve the replacements. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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Personnel

Mr. Unsicker presented the resignations:

- Griffin Prickell - Junior High School Wrestling Assistant Coach Position
- Bailey Ladd - Varsity Assistant Softball Coach Position

Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to approve the resignation. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the termination of Karistann Calhoun - High School Cafeteria Cashier/Cooks Assistant. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the termination. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the hires:
Mary Lynn Smith - Frontier Junior-Senior High School Paraprofessional

- Shyann McMillian - Frontier Junior-Senior High School Homebound Teacher
- Chris Mathias - Frontier Junior-Senior High School Homebound Teacher
- Gretchen Innocent - Kindergarten Bootcamp Teacher
- Stefanie Greer - Kindergarten Bootcamp Paraprofessional
- Erica Warf - Kindergarten Paraprofessional Increase in Hours

Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to approve the hires. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker present the Extra Curricular Assignments:

- Ryan McCoy - Frontier Junior High School Wrestling Assistant Coach
- Jack Barron - Boys Seventh and Eighth Grade Track Head Coach
- Brittani Smith - Softball Second Assistant Coach

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the assignments. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Field Trips

None

Other Business

Mr. Unsicker presented the Donations:

- Care Fund Donation from The Fountain Trust Company

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the donations. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Policy Update First Reading:

- Policy 6114: Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds

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None

Laura Bell made a motion to adjourn at 7:43PM. David Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Frontier School Corporation School Board will be Monday March 17, 2025, at Frontier Junior/Senior High School, 1 Falcon Drive, Chalmers, IN 47929. These meetings are fully accessible. Any person wanting additional information should contact the Frontier School Corporation Superintendent's Office at (219) 984-5009.

David Rosenbarger
President

Laura Bell
Vice President

Jared Rosenbarger
Secretary

Stephanie LaOrange
Member

David Cosgray
Member