126 E Main St Chalmers, IN 47929

Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees

Monday, March 17, 2025

<u>Present</u>: President David Rosenbarger, Vice President Laura Bell, Secretary Jared Rosenbarger, and School Board Member David Cosgray

Absent: Board Member Stephanie LaOrange

Also Present: Superintendent Fred Unsicker and Treasurer Cortney Parrish

President David Rosenbarger called the Meeting to order at 7:01 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Routine Business

Laura Bell moved to approve the agenda with the deletion of 8.2 KRM Agreement. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 17, 2025 Regular School Board Meeting. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the February 28, 2025 Fund Report as presented. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the February 28, 2025 Appropriation Report as presented. David Cosgray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell moved to approve the February 28, 2025 Revenue Report as presented. David Cosgray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the February 28, 2025 Bank Reconciliation Report as presented. David Cosgray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

David Cosgray moved to approve the February 28, 2025 Bond Report as presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Laura Bell moved to approve the February 28, 2025 Transfer Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jared Rosenbarger moved to approve the March 17, 2025 Claims as presented. David Cosgray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jr.-Sr. High Report

Mr. Hettinger reported that during Professional Development the teachers are continuing to work on updating their curriculum guides – aligning content to new standards when required and collaborating with other subject - grade levels to ensure all required content is covered. Teachers will upload their curriculum

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guides into a shared folder. He has 8 more short observations to complete to finish up the teacher observation schedule for the year. After teachers upload additional documentation regarding planning and teacher leadership, he will begin the evaluation process. He would like to recognize Melissa Culver-Pekny, Katie Cook, and Jennifer Newcom for their continued successes in leading their CTE Organizations, which are consistently among the best in the state of Indiana. He highlighted many students' ECA club achievements.

Elementary Report

Mrs. Layton reported that the FES Book Fair happened earlier this month, and they made \$6,200.00! She thanked Paula lunghuhn for organizing the event. The biggest night was PTO Pancake & Pajama Night. She thanked the PTO for this wonderful community event. Kindergarten Round-Up and Preschool Information Night will be on Wednesday. Kindergarten testing dates will be in April. The Music Booster Fundraiser, POP's Night, was last Wednesday at FES. It was great event promoting our music programs. In the board packet, there is the FES Reading Adoption recommendation, the Art Maternity leave request, and a recommendation for Art Maternity Leave sub. This month, the 6th Grade went to the Challenger Center, Kindergarten had Donuts with Dad/Special Person, 4th Grade will visit the Famous Hoosier Wax Museum, and they went to the State House. NWEA testing starts the week after spring break. As this is the final round of testing, she is anxious to see the results. Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. Layton completed COGAT testing for Kindergarten, 2nd, and 5th grade this month. These scores help determine High Ability Identification. ILEARN for grades 3-6 will start mid-April. Grade levels are walking to the Brookston Library in April and May. She appreciates the partnership with the library to get students eager about their summer reading program. The Student Council Carnival is April 30th. Donations would be appreciated. April 25th is the annual 6th grade vs. staff kickball game. IREAD results have come in but can't be announced until the April board meeting. She's proud of the results and even had some 3rd Grade perfect scores that will be recognized next month. The students that did not pass will have 2 more opportunities to test during the summer testing window before retention is required.

School Safety Report

Officer Bolen reported that many of the security cameras are starting to get old and we might want to looking into updating them.

Athletic Director

Mr. Gretencord reported that Girls Basketball finished 2-20. Boys Basketball finished 17-8. We finished 6-1 in the Midwest Conference earning us a share of the Midwest Conference with Tri-County and West Central. The boys lost in the sectional championship to Clinton Prairie who just won the regional this weekend. The JV finished with an 18-3 record. Our Girls Wrestling team had a successful season in its first official IHSAA sanctioned season. We had 4 girls advance to Regionals. Our Boys Wrestling team had another great year. We had 3 boys win their weight class at the MWC meet. Track has good numbers with 22 girls and 27 boys. Softball has 12 girls. Baseball started today and is expecting around 22 players. Frontier will be hosting the Softball Sectional this year. It will be on May 27th, 28th, and 29th. We are excited to host IU in a spring Volleyball match vs Illinois State. The game will start at 1:00 pm. Coach Pruitt is going to run her youth camp that week leading up to this game on Saturday to create some excitement around it. He purchased 20 new volleyballs for JH and 20 new Volley Lite volleyballs for youth camps and 5th & 6th grade volleyball. The new

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shed for a ticket booth and the golf cart storage is up. He put up a new track discus net this year as our old one had some large holes in it. Becky Maddox has done a great job stepping into her new role as the Athletic Secretary.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Unsicker thanked all the directors for all their work and wants them to know it is appreciated. He is working with a couple engineering firms on facilities studies. He and Mrs. Parrish learned a lot of great information at the IASBO Budgeting Seminar. He thanked Mrs. Layton and the reading adoption team for their persistence. He met with Mr. Peterson concerning ways we might be able to save money in our operations. He started his work on the State's Formative Assessment Evaluation Committee.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No Comments

Budget/Finance

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

Mr. Unsicker presented the Elementary Reading Textbook Adoption. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the adoption of the Wit and Wisdom reading program for grades K-6. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Personnel

Mr. Unsicker presented the resignations of Karen Tucker - Bus Aide effective 03/13/25. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the resignation. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the maternity leave for Emily Banta, tentatively scheduled for 08/13/25-12/15/25. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the leave. Laura Bell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Health Occupations Teacher Hours Increase for 2025-2026 School Year. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the increase in hours. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the hire of Angelina Small as Elementary Art Long-Term Maternity Leave Substitute. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the hire. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the hire of Destiny Bowsman - Bus Aide effective 03/14/25. David Cosgray made a motion to approve the hire. Laura Bell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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Mr. Unsicker presented the hire of Chase Pekny - Summer Maintenance Assistant. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the hire. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Extra Curricular Assignment of Emma Pruitt - Junior High School Girls Track Coach. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the assignment. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Extra Curricular Assignment of Jared Rosenbarger - Volunteer Varsity Baseball Assistant Coach. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the assignment. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously with Jared Rosenbarger abstaining.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Extra Curricular Assignment of Jake Newton - Volunteer Varsity Baseball Assistant Coach. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the assignment. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Extra Curricular Assignment of Drew Powell - Assistant Varsity Boys Track Coach. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the assignment. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Field Trips

Mr. Unsicker presented the FCCLA National Conference trip from 07/05/25-07/09/25. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the field trip. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Other Business

Mr. Unsicker presented the 2nd Reading of Policy 6114: Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the policy. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Declaration of the Old PE Equipment as Surplus/Obsolete. There was discussion that old equipment would not be thrown away until it is replaced. David Cosgray made a motion to approve the equipment as obsolete. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Declaration of 2 Ticket Booths as Obsolete for disposal. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the ticket booths as obsolete for disposal. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the 2025-2026 Frontier School Corporation Transfer Limits. Laura Bell made a motion to table the transfer limits discussion. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it was tabled unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Frontier Jr./Sr. High School Course Description Handbook. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the handbook. David Cosgray seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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Public Comments

Member

Mrs. Hannah Peterson and Mrs. Jordan Boss spoke of their concerns of the 4th grade class sizes.

David Cosgray made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Frontier School Corporation School Board will be Monday April 21, 2025, at Frontier Elementary School, 811 South Railroad Street, Brookston, IN 47923. These meetings are fully accessible. Any person wanting additional information should contact the Frontier School Corporation Superintendent's Office at (210) 984-5009.

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