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Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees
Monday, April 21, 2025

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

Absent: Board Member David Cosgray

Also Present: Superintendent Fred Unsicker and Treasurer Cortney Parrish

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

Routine Business

Mrs. Layton congratulated the 7 students who had perfect IREAD scores.

Laura Bell moved to approve the agenda. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the minutes for the March 31, 2025 Executive Session. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the March 31, 2025 Fund Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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

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

Laura Bell moved to approve the March 31, 2025 Bank Reconciliation Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Laura Bell made a motion to approve the March 31, 2025 Transfer Report as presented. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Stephanie LaOrange moved to approve the Claims for Payroll, Prewrittens and Board Docket as presented. Laura Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Jr.-Sr. High Report

Mr. Hettinger reported that all teachers have completed their course guides aligned to the latest state standards. The administration has met with the senior class to discuss wrapping up the end of the school year – obligations, requirements, and deadlines. Frontier took about 12 students to the Greater Lafayette Hire-Me Event. This is a career interview fair that pairs students with potential employers. Mrs. Layton, Mr. Bolen and Mr. Hettinger attended the School Safety training to maintain our advanced school safety certification. ILEARN Testing began at the Jr-Sr High School. On the agenda tonight is a recommendation to hire Kari Kruger for the high school Chemistry position for the next school year. Mrs. Kruger's background is a registered nurse, so we are investigating the possibility of having Mrs. Kruger obtain a workplace specialist license for the purpose of helping Frontier students complete a CNA license. The Jr-Sr High School will host the 6th grade for 7th grade orientation. The 6th grade will come to the HS for lunch, visit classrooms, learn about their classes, and get a chance to practice opening lockers. The Orientation will continue with parents Wednesday evening. Mr. Gretencord and Mr. Hettinger will be attending the required annual IHSAA Spring Principal meeting. Frontier Education Foundation will host basket bingo. This Saturday is Prom, located at the Tippecanoe Country Club. Frontier will host a blood drive – anyone over the age of 18 can sign up. Lots of events coming up as we get closer to graduation: Academic Awards, Theater & Choir concerts, Scholarship Night, Senior Breakfast, Rehearsal, and the Senior Trip.

Elementary Report

Mrs. Layton reported: IREAD results 3rd Grade: 88% FES passed; 62% State passed; 7 perfect scores! 3 did not pass the Gen Ed. All 3rd Grade students who did not pass will test again May 19th & May 20th. If they did not pass again, and did not get a special education waiver, they will attend summer school in June then test again. If they do not pass for the third time, they will be retained for the 25-26 school year. IREAD results 2nd Grade: 23 passed, 11 on track, 15 at-risk. All 2nd Grade students who scored At-Risk will test again May 19th & May 20th. If they do not pass again, they will not attend summer school. These students will have 3 more chances in 3rd grade to pass and are placed in interventions for academics. Officer Bolen, Mr. Hettinger and Mrs. Layton attended the Advanced School Safety Conference in Indianapolis for two days this month. It's great to hear the updates and know that Frontier is ahead of the game. Incoming K students came for testing on the 8th and 9th. We had 61 students test to attend FES Kindergarten next year. She thanked the K teachers, Lions Club, Miss Scheel, Mrs. Wheeldon and Mrs. Sullivan. Testing data has been mailed home and students that qualified have been invited to K Camp for the summer. NWEA Spring testing is finished at FES. FJSHS will finish in the middle of May then the window will close. Student growth reports will go home with students on the last day of school with report cards. There are a lot of experiences for students this month: 5th/6th grade dance, 4th grade went to AG Day & Indy 500, 3rd grade went to Top Golf, 1st grade will go to Fair Oaks, and staff vs. 6th grade will have their annual kick ball game. Spring Carnival will be April 30th. Friday, April 4th was our annual Career Fair for 4th-6th grade students. Thank you to the community members that came to present to our students. On Thursday, April 10th, we hosted the 4th, 5th, and 6th grade White County Battle of the Books Competition. 5th and 6th grade both WON! Thank you to Mrs. Jensen for being the club sponsor. Progress Reports went home Thursday, April 17th. 6th grade will be visiting the JH on Wednesday for 7th grade orientation. Thank you to Mrs. Bassett and Mrs. Turner for coming down to FES and meeting with

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students. Staff appreciation week is May 5th-9th. Our PTO has some fabulous surprises planned. She asked the board to please write an email or send a thank you card to the schools to show how much you appreciate their hard work. IAm testing and ILEARN testing has started. Thank you to Mrs. Notary for scheduling the testing sessions and making sure all the staff were trained and ready to go. High Ability COGAT testing is finished and mailed off for Kindergarten, 2nd grade, and 5th grade. Professional Development Day on the 18th was very beneficial. The behavior committee presented the new behavior incentive we hope to roll out next year and teachers had time to do some vertical alignment with grade levels above and below them. Teachers have also started to fill out the student data sheets and creating class lists for next year. In your board packet are recommendations for three High Ability Summer Enrichment classes, 25-26 student handbook thank you to the committee, Mrs. Hartman's retirement letter, and Miss Schneider's letter of resignation. The retirement and resignation has led us to have openings for the 25-26 school year. She has recommendations for two new 4th grade teachers.

School Safety Report

Officer Bolen reported that a 2025 Vulnerability Assessment has been completed for Corp Office, Elementary School and High School. The cameras are all working at this time. We had to replace 4 Bullet Cameras on the exterior. All the academy paperwork done for 2025. He will be attending Bean Bag training on April 26, 2025, to recertify for the original training. We have purchased 20 bean bag rounds. 10 for Elementary and 10 for the High School. They will be in the shot guns in his gun lockers. He attended the advance school safety conference on April 7th and 8th with Jill Layton and Jeff Hettinger. This was to recertify for another year. He caught a couple of kids vaping this month. He had to shut down the school ventilation system at the High School today due to a house fire on Walnut Street in Chalmers.

Maintenance Report

Mr. Peterson reported that the JR High football locker building is all dried up and ready for remodeling. He laid stone all around new ticket shed just for the wind to blow it over and destroy it. He is working on getting a new one. He saved all of the materials. Maintenance installed 2 new stop signs for the Elementary car and bus lanes. Maintenance worked on the grasshopper mower for cutting grass at the Elementary, demolished the baseball ticket booth that was destroyed by the wind storm. Part of the fence was destroyed from the high jump mats that blew over the fencing from the wind storm. Electric and More took down all the lighting fixtures in the practice field. One of them was damaged from the wind storm. As a safety measure and they are not being used, we had them all removed. Mr. Peterson a meeting with the night cleaning crew manager about their cleaning performances, and they have brought in another lead person to help get what is not getting done. He has been getting a lot of complaints on their performance, which has led him to consider hiring our own staff for second shift cleaning. He believes this would benefit the school budgets and help keep a better control. Chalmers gave us 4 loads of chip seal gravel and he has put some on the gravel road and other areas where needed.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Unsicker reported that Mr. Peterson is having contractors look at the Jr. High football locker room. He is continuing to work on the storm and water damage claims. Diligent should be operational for the next board meeting. The newsletter should be mailed out soon. The new website is being built and he should see the

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prototype soon. He finished up his work on the Formative Assessment Evaluation Committee. He and Mrs. Parrish will be attending the IASBO's state convention next week.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No Comments

Budget/Finance

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

Mr. Unsicker presented an Agreement with KrM/KBSO to Engineer/Design, Advertise and Bid Elementary Boiler Project. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the agreement. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Junior High School Reading Curriculum Adoption. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the reading adoption. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker present the Consulting Contract with Marvin T. Ward. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the contract. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Personnel

Mr. Unsicker presented the resignations:

- Kaitlyn Schneider - FES 4th Grade Teacher
- Erica Warf - Paraprofessional - Effective End of 2024-2025 School Year
- Cortney Henry - ECA Treasurer - Effective 5/5/2025
- Karlye Maloney - Deputy Treasurer/Payroll Clerk - Effective 5/2/2025
- Karen Tucker - Bus Aide effective 3/13/2025.

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

Mr. Unsicker present the retirement of Pam Hartman - FES 2nd Grade Teacher. Stephanie LaOrange made a motion to approve the retirement. Laura Bell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker present the Hires/Reclassifications:

- Kari Kruger - Frontier Jr/Sr. HS Chemistry Teacher
- Erica Warf - FES 1:1 Aide (extended hours)
- Cortney Henry - FSC Deputy Treasurer/Payroll Clerk
- Rebecca Maddox - Frontier Jr/Sr. HS Athletic Administrative Assistant and ECA Treasurer
- Christy McMIndes - Frontier Jr/Sr. HS Administrative Assistant
- Janae Belad - Frontier Jr/Sr. HS Kitchen Assistant/Dishwasher/Cashier
- Carly Williams - FES 4th Grade Teacher
- Shannon Novak - FES 4th Grade Teacher

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- High Ability Grant Summer Enrichment Teachers:
 - Lucretia Jensen
 - Sherry Banes
 - Gretchen Innocent
- Madison Karrfalt - FES 5th Grade Teacher

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

Mr. Unsicker present the Extra-Curricular Appointments:

- Jack Mikesell - Winter Strength and Conditioning Coach
- Trent Phegley - Winter Strength and Conditioning Coach

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

Field Trips

Mr. Unsicker presented the Field Trips:

- BPA Nationals - Florida
- Wrestling Team Overnight Camp in Adrian, Michigan - June 6-8, 2025

Other Business

Mr. Unsicker presented the Updated 2025-2026 Frontier School Corporation Calendar. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the updated Calendar. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the FES Student Handbook for 2025-2026. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the handbook. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the FJSHS Student Handbook for 2025-2026. Jared Rosenbarger made a motion to approve the handbook. Stephanie LaOrange seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the Donations. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the donations. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Unsicker presented the 2025-2026 Frontier School Corporation Transfer/Enrollment Limits. Laura Bell made a motion to approve the limits. Jared Rosenbarger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Public Comments

Mrs. Hannah Peterson thanked the Board for hiring another 5th grade teacher. Mrs. Melissa Gregorovic thanked the Board for the new reading curriculum.

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

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Frontier School Corporation School Board will be Monday May 19, 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.

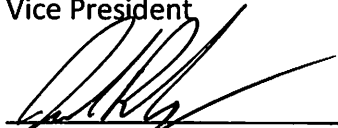
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