

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 358
SEPTEMBER 8, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The regularly scheduled meeting of the Freeman School District Board of Directors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Annie Keebler. There was a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Annie Keebler, Neil Fuchs, John Zingg, Travis Campbell, Ed Cashmere, Randy Russell and Jamie Weingart.

GUESTS: Ben Ferney, Harry Amend, Brian Parisotto and Debbie Morphy.

FLAG SALUTE: Ben Ferney led the audience in the flag salute.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Updated Personnel Report.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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Mr. Fuchs moved the Board approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Cashmere seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Dr. Russell presented the Board the following correspondence:

- Freeman Scotties Bagpiper Special Edition about the recent fires

REPORTS

BUILDING REPORTS:

Ben Ferney, Middle School Principal, reported on behalf of Lisa Phelan, Elementary Principal, that kindergarten started this week and everything has gone very smoothly. Ben then shared the grades 5-6 combined classroom is working well, and Mrs. Romey is doing a great job. STAR is being implemented in the Middle School this year and the benchmarking assessments will be take place next week. Today was the first ASB meeting and Dr. Russell was the special guest who went over the procedures for a meeting with the ASB officers and representatives.

Harry Amend, Acting High School Principal, shared the enrollment at the high school has leveled off and scheduling is complete thanks to Laura Hama. This year the High School is doing a single lunch and a Scottie break and it has gone off without a hitch. Harry thanked Marci McGill, Nutrition Services Director and her staff for their hard work and flexibility with the new schedule. One of the benefits to a single lunch is to be able to have club meetings during lunch and not interrupt class time. The community potluck was last week to support the families affected by the fire and over 500 people came to show their support. The FHS Conservation Club is cleaning up highway 27 this weekend. Safe School's training for all staff must be completed by the end of the day tomorrow.

Brian Parisotto, High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, shared some pictures of new uniforms purchased at the middle school as the second wave of updating uniforms. The eight grade football team will get to play at Roos field on the 23rd, the goal is to have every middle

school student get to play at least one game on the red turf, thanks to the efforts of Cheney School District. We are hosting a volleyball tournament at the high school this weekend which will be busy. Brian shared there has been some discussion about consolidating our WIAA districts on this side of the state, which might not be a positive for us. We have a football game tomorrow night against Bonners Ferry.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT:

Dr. Russell shared we are off to a great start to the year. The staff has done a great job embracing the new the students and families, making everyone feel a part of Freeman.

FISCAL AND LEGAL ACCOUNTABILITY:

Dr. Russell reviewed enrollment numbers. The enrollment numbers for us plays a huge part of what we are able to do in our district, as we feel the impact of a single family moving in or out. With the increase in enrollment from our projections we were able to add a teacher and an additional para. Dr. Russell thanked the principals for all of their hard work on getting the classes balanced so quickly at the start of the year.

VISITOR COMMENTS/CONCERNS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 3205 – SEXUAL HARRASSMENT OF STUDENTS PROHIBITED – 2nd READING:

Mr. Campbell moved the Board approve Board Policy 3205 Sexual Harassment of Student Prohibited – 2nd reading, as presented. Mr. Zingg seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 3220 – FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION – 2nd READING:

Mr. Cashmere moved the Board approve Board Policy 3220 – Freedom of Expression – 2nd reading, as presented. Mr. Fuchs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 3246 – RESTRAINT, ISOLATION AND OTHER USES OF REASONABLE FORCE – 2nd READING:

Mr. Fuchs moved the Board approve Board Policy 3246 – Restraint, Isolation and Other Uses of Reasonable Force – 2nd reading, as presented. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT GOALS 2016-2017:

Mr. Fuchs moved the Board approve the Board/Superintendent Goals 2016-2017, as presented. Mr. Cashmere seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PSE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT 2016-2021:

Mr. Campbell moved the Board approve the PSE Collective Bargaining Agreement 2016-2021, as presented. Mr. Fuchs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF TEACHER CONTRACT 2014-2017 w/2016 ADDENDUM

Mr. Fuchs moved the Board approve the Teacher Contract 2014-2017 w/2016 Addendum, as presented. Mr. Cashmere seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVE BUS PURCHASE

Mr. Campbell moved the Board approve the purchase of a 2002 International 65 Passenger Bus, as presented. Mr. Fuchs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Future Board Meeting Schedule

PERSONNEL:

Certified: Phil Svoboda – Substitute Teacher

Classified: Lyndsey Ruland – New Hire – SpEd Para Educator
Megan Shryock – Rehire – SpEd Para Educator
Amy Grether – New Hire – SpEd Para Educator
Jane Woodward – Substitute Para Ed

Mr. Fuchs moved the Board approval the personnel action as presented. Mr. Cashmere seconded the motion, discussion ensued and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m. with no further action.

Recording Secretary

Board Secretary

Board Chair