

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 358
March 28, 2018

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The regularly scheduled meeting of the Freeman School District Board of Directors was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Chair Neil Fuchs. There was a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Travis Campbell, Neil Fuchs, Annie Keebler, Bill Morphy, Ed Cashmere, Jamie Weingart, Brendon Myers and Randy Russell.

GUESTS: Debbie Morphy, Todd Reed, Kirk Lally, Char Trejbal, Brian Parisotto, Jody Sweeney, Ben Ferney, Jim Straw, Marci McGill, Deputy Ron Nye, Everett Combs, Sherry Wilson, Jeff Jurgensen, Larry Haskell, Harry Amend, Ken Spiering, Chloe Thosath, Marley Pratt, Dylan Pavlischak, Abby Ofenloch, Jackson Clark, Andrew McGill, Robin Valero.

FLAG SALUTE: led us in the flag salute.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: An updated personnel addendum report was presented.

CONSENT AGENDA:

February 27th, 2018 Board Minutes

March Mid-Month General Fund AP – #112954	\$ 1,200.00
March General Fund AP - #112967 - #113025	\$ 96,152.46
March ASB Fund AP – #113026 - #113045	\$ 26,230.82
March Benefit Trust Fund AP – #113046 - #113047	\$ 22,137.89
March Accounts Payable Direct Deposits	\$ 5,018.99
March Payroll – #113048 - #113064	\$ 704,791.69
Treasurer’s Statement/Budget Status	

Mrs. Keebler moved the Board approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

BOARD RECOGNITION: Ken Spiering, art teacher, presented a tentative itinerary for the proposed 2018 Seattle Art Trip scheduled for April 19 – 22, 2018. There are 6 students interested with the possibility of 3 or 4 more. They would plan to take the school van. Mr. Campbell moved to approve the Art Trip and give them \$500.00 toward expenses. Mr. Cashmere seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Mr. Straw recognized Mr. Ken Spiering as receiving the Spokane Citizen Hall of Fame Honoree Award in the category of Arts and Letters. Congratulations, Mr. Spiering.

PACE Character Trait: Diligence – Persistence, dedication and hard work

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

- Larry Haskell – Spokane County Prosecutor – Mr. Haskell gave the board an update and answered questions regarding the upcoming hearing.
- Jeff Jurgensen – OAC Services – OAC Services give school districts support around building management. They have been contacted to help with the Middle School roof project. A proposal will be sent to Dr. Russell by April 25th. The project will go out to bid. Construction will start once school is out and expected to be completed by August 1st.
- FHS Students – Several students that were in attendance at the board meeting shared their thoughts as to how the high school was doing. Some of the take aways: Recovery sensitivity, Remember growth and sensitivity, Unified voice in April-organization of what that day will look like, Experience of togetherness of community-connecting and bonding with people, Perseverance, Value others opinions, Tough life experiences, Valuable leadership skills, Making connections, Appreciate and experience the growth.

REPORTS

BUILDING REPORTS:

Middle School Principal, Ben Ferney, reported that he had two more observations left in the second round. Math placement letters have been sent out. Ben presented the OSPI Accountability Index Score, 7.9, that show achievement & growth. ASB elections were conducted in March. New officers for the 2018/2019 school year: Sierra Watson-Sergeant at Arms, Isabel Silva-Parliamentarian, Malia Sandborn-Treasurer, Chloe Myers-Secretary, Jordan Hanna-Vice President, and Jack Schneider-President. Mindy Poindexter organized the recent Science Fair tying Science and ELA curriculum together. Girls Basketball has ended. Baseball and track start after Spring Break. The Middle School are meeting with their advisories and conducting student led conferences. Enrollment is holding at 205.

High School Principal, Jim Straw, reported that data collection surveys and AP exams are in progress. Three High School students placed in the NEWESD 101 Art Show: Savannah Lindsley, Ada Cashmere & Ericka Flory. The Knowledge Bowl team finished 7th in State. The HS is also preparing for SBA Testing. Jim will send out notes to the board in regards to the student discussion around April 20th – How can we use our unique voice to unify school and community. The students made a video to send to Parkland County.

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

Char Trejbal, Transportation Supervisor, reported they are surviving all the spring sport schedule changes because of weather. Transportation will need to buy fuel after Spring Break.

Everett Combs, Asst. Transportation Supervisor/Mechanic, distributed notes from the Table Top Exercise that was held in March. Everett and Todd met with secretaries to get updates for the emergency procedure manuals. The surprise WSP bus inspection went well.

Kirk Lally, Maintenance and Grounds Director, reported that the mowers are back from service and ready to mow. Fertilizer has been ordered and plan to spread it over break, weather permitting. He has met with Jeff Jurgensen and will be getting a proposal for the middle school roofing project. The night custodian position at the HS still needs to be filled. Annie Keebler asked how the air stripper was doing. It is going well with monthly testing and non-detect results. Travis Campbell asked about the Extreme Team makeover; it will start the end of May. Ed Cashmere asked about the Cottonwood Creek sampling. It is H2M Hill conducting their sampling.

Jody Sweeney, School Psychologist & Special Ed Director, reported that we will have an additional counselor coming into the district on Mondays from Partners with Families seeing students and families that are covered by Medicaid. There will be a Mental Health counselor on K-8 campus next year.

Marci McGill, Nutrition Services Director, made note that we will be hiring a new Nutrition Services Director for next school year as she is moving to Alaska.

Brian Parisotto, Athletic Director, shared the Scholastic Cup results. Middle School sports will be starting after Spring Break. Schedules are being juggled to try and get everything fit in with weather changes. Brian will accompany Mrs. Troup to NEA Unified Bowling on April 19th.

Todd Reed, Technology Director, took the board on a technology/safety virtual tour. Todd has been visiting other campuses and researching the safety plans that are in place in other districts. This was presented along with rough pricing that would be attached to each item.

Directors and principals were excused by Chair, Neil Fuchs.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

SCHOOL SAFETY, CULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT: We continue working to make the campus as safe as possible. Todd has done a great job of making campus safety updates. Studies are being made to see

what upgrades are doable. Funding comes from different pots of money. The Leadership Team will have input towards updates. With upgrades comes implementation, sustainability and maintaining. We will continue to go on field trips, research and access of monies. Some of the areas of discussion include bollards, full time resource officer, priorities, expenses and keeping the impact on students and staff low key.

FISCAL AND LEGAL ACCOUNTABILITY: Ending cash balance and enrollment was reviewed. Enrollment has stayed steady with 38 students over budget.

BOARD COMMENTS: No comments.

VISITOR COMMENTS/CONCERNS: No comments or concerns.

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY & PROCEDURE 2255 – 2nd READING:

Mr. Campbell moved the Board approve Board Policy & Procedure 2255 – Alternative Learning Experiences Courses, as presented. Mr. Cashmere seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 5401 – 2nd READING:

Mrs. Keebler moved the Board approve Board Policy 5401 – Sick Leave, as presented. Mr. Morphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY & PROCEDURE 6530 – 2nd READING

Mr. Cashmere moved the Board approve Board Policy & Procedure 6530 – Insurance, as presented. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF INFORMATION AND CONDITION OF SCHOOLS REVIEW:

Mr. Campbell moved the Board approve the Information and Condition of Schools Review. Mr. Morphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY & PROCEDURE 2024 – 1st READING:

Mr. Cashmere moved the Board approve Board Policy & Procedure 2024 – Online Learning, as presented. Mrs. Keebler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY & PROCEDURE 3122 – 1st READING:

Mrs. Keebler moved the Board approve Board Policy & Procedure 3122 – Excused and Unexcused Absences, as presented. Mr. Morphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY & PROCEDURE 6220 – 1st READING:

Mrs. Keebler moved the Board approve Board Policy & Procedure 6220 – Bid Requirements, as presented. Mr. Morphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

OTHER INFORMATION:

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for April 26th @ 6:00 pm @ Rockford City Hall.

PERSONNEL: Dr. Russell recommended the following personnel action:

Administration: Jamie Weingart – Resignation – Business Manager
Brendon Myers – New Hire – Business Manager
Ben Ferney – Resignation – MS Principal
Marci McGill – Resignation – Nutrition Services Director
Brian Parisotto – Resignation – Assistant Principal/Athletic Director

- Certified: Sadie Perry - Resignation – Elementary Teacher
Stephen Kirk – Emergency Substitute Teacher

- Classified: Melissa Swanson – Retirement – Para Educator
Richard Slover – Substitute Custodian
Kris Dobson – New Hire – Nutritionist III @ Elem
Carrie Kiddoo – New Hire – SpEd Para Educator – NC

- Extracurricular: Catherine Arrigoni – HS Overflow Track Coach
Marty Jessett – Resignation – HS Head Basketball Coach
Morgan Eberle – HS Assistant Track Coach
Roger Coston – MS Assistant Baseball Coach
Harold Halstead – HS Assistant Golf Coach
Kathryn Sander – Math is Cool Coach – 4th & 5th
Marci McGill – Resignation – HS Assistant Cheer Coach

Mr. Campbell moved the Board approve the personnel action as presented. Mr. Morphy seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board went into executive session at 12:47 pm for approximately 45 minutes. No action is expected. The Board returned from Executive Session at 1:37 pm. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 1:38 pm with no further action.

Recording Secretary

Board Secretary

Board Chair