

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 358
September 26, 2019

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 Neil Fuchs. There was a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ed Cashmere, Neil Fuchs, Annie Keebler, Bill Morphy, Jim Tippett, Randy Russell and Brendon Myers.

GUESTS: Debbie Morphy, Jody Sweeney, Todd Reed, Ellen Arguinchona, Kirk Lally, Paula Lally, Everett Combs, Char Trejbal, Karen Dawe and Crystal Kidd.

FLAG SALUTE: Everett Combs led us in the flag salute.

CONSENT AGENDA:

September 5th, 2019 Board Minutes	
September Mid-Month AP - 115349-115362	\$275,403.55
September General Fund AP - 115397- 115472	\$346,007.20
September ASB Fund - 115379-115396	\$ 24,258.96
September Capital Projects Fund - 115473-115481	\$ 90,377.89
September Benefit Trust Fund - 115482-115483	\$ 37,376.78
September Accounts Payable Direct Deposits	\$ 2,734.23
September Payroll - 115364-115378, 115484	\$788,224.59
August's Treasurer's Statement/Budget Status	

Annie Keebler moved the Board approve the consent agenda as presented. Bill Morphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PACE CHARACTER TRAIT: RESPECT – Recognizing, considering and properly honoring the worth of one's self and others.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Empire Health Foundation
- OSPI – Asking Consideration for Char Trejbal to represent Washington State as a delegate at the National Congress on School Transportation in Des Moines, Iowa.
- OSPI – All school meal program procurement review requirements met
- Obituary – Roger Branz – Retired Freeman Teacher

REPORTS

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Jody Sweeney, Special Ed Director, is busy in the special education department. The focus this year will be Back to Basics – focus on students. Jody's team is utilizing the Chromebooks in their classrooms. Austin (Psych Intern) is working closely with the MS & HS as they initiate the Social/Emotional Curriculum into their advisories. There are several students with alternative education programs. Jody's team will be collaborating across the district.

Ellen Arguinchona, Nutrition Services Director, will have a new intern now through October. Taste Washington day is coming next Wednesday and will be featuring lentils in the form of brownies. A 2.5 hr./day position is posted and currently is being filled with substitutes. 25 parents attended Kindergarten Day. Ellen is working on a grant to finance freezer repairs and will submitting it in November.

Char Trejbal, Transportation Supervisor, has a new driver that started the beginning of the school year. There is a posting for a bus aide that she hopes to hire soon. There are a couple special transportation

trips: one McKinney-Vento student and a behavioral student that is transported for tutoring. As always, there have been a few trip changes. Transportation has added two new buses to their fleet.

Kirk Lally, Grounds/Maintenance Director, reported the middle school lighting project and the locker room project is finishing up. The MS stairs have been carpeted and they have to come back and finish the flashing. The new field has been seeded and is being watered. Kirk is planning to get in one more fertilizer application done for the season. One of Kirk's custodians has resigned so we have a posting out for that position. Kirk is working with Jacobs Drilling to get everything back to original status before starting any additional drilling.

Todd Reed, Technology Director, reports the world of technology is crazy with the start of the school year. All the summer projects have been completed. Todd was able to pull up a report showing that out of the 850 chrome books across the district, only 7 were not turned on last week. The chrome books are definitely being used.

Everett Combs, Mechanic/Asst. Transportation Supervisor, reported on our two new buses. Everett shared a Collision Mitigation Driver Training video that highlighted the technology of our new buses. There is even more technology waiting for approval in the form of windshield cameras.

REVIEW PRESCHOOL/DAYCARE PROPOSAL:

The board reviewed the Preschool expansion proposal. Ed Cashmere moved the Board approve the Preschool Expansion, as presented. Annie Keebler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Russell reviewed the 4 elements of the roles of a board member from Policy No. 1005 - Key Functions of the Board. There was also discussion regarding board self-evaluation and reflection. As part of the review of the Freeman 2020 Strategic plan, Dr. Russell met with Travis Shulhauser to look at student achievement data grades 3-12. Travis will help throughout the year looking at data that we will use in our report card at the end of the year.

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT:

Policy #2410 – HS Graduation Requirement, was reviewed by the board. Students must meet the 24 credit graduation requirement in order to graduate. There is a 2 credit flexible support policy in place.

SCHOOL SAFETY, CULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT:

The county painted lines in the *No Parking* area along Jackson Rd. Parking will be monitored along Jackson Rd.

PARTNERING WITH PARENTS AND SCHOOL/COMMUNITY:

We are working to emphasize our CTE programs. Parents are partnering with our Robotics Club – this helps promote our Stem pieces.

FISCAL AND LEGAL ACCOUNTABILITY:

The district applied for a small school modernization grant. OAC would do a feasibility study if granted. Our enrollment is solid. The district is projected to end the year with a 4% fund balance.

BOARD COMMENTS: Recovery fund requests are being processed.

VISITORS COMMENTS & CONCERNS: Concerns were shared regarding the increase in daycare and preschool prices. They were in fear of the daycare closing because of low attendance numbers. They rely on the daycare and would hate to see it go away. They don't feel it will be sustainable with the cost increase.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF DISTRICT CTE PLAN:

Annie Keebler moved the Board approve the District CTE Plan, as presented. Jim Tippet seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PERKINS GRANT:

Bill Morphy moved the Board approve the Perkins Grant, as presented. Ed Cashmere seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF 2019/2020 BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT GOALS:

Annie Keebler moved the Board approve the 2019/2020 Board/Superintendent Goals, as presented. Jim Tippet seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FEA AND ADMIN CONTRACTS:

Ed Cashmere moved the Board approve the 2019/2020 FEA and Admin Contracts, as presented. Jim Tippet seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 1 INTERFUND TRANSFER:

Jim Tippet moved the Board approve the Interfund Transfer Resolution No. 1, as presented. Bill Morphy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

OTHER INFORMATION:

The next board meeting will be Thursday, October 10th, at 6:00 pm in the K-8 Multi-Purpose Room. The following meeting will be Wednesday, October 30th, at 6:00 pm at Hangman Valley Golf Course.

PERSONNEL: Dr. Russell recommended the following personnel action:

Certified: Danielle Larson - Substitute Teacher
Craig Olson - Substitute Teacher
Lisa Baum - Substitute Teacher
Kortney Karstetter – Substitute Teacher

Classified: Kris Dobson – Resignation – Child Nutritionist III
Morgan Eberle – Resignation – Library Coordinator
Shayla Daniel – New Hire – 3 hr. Elementary Secretary
JJ Anderson – Resignation – Elementary Night Custodian
Kari Gemmett – Substitute Bus Driver

Extracurricular: Audrey Hermann – Middle School XC Coach

Annie Keebler moved the Board approve the personnel action as presented. Ed Cashmere seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The board meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm with no further action.

Recording Secretary

Board Secretary

Board Chair