

**FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board Meeting
May 13, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

The Regular Board meeting of the Fremont Board of Education was called to order by President Ed Wosinski at 7:06 p.m.

Present: Ed Wosinski, Matt Hendrie, Jen Scott, Kim Rasch, Kevin Kaastra, Rick St. Peter and Crystal Calkins.

Absent: None

President Ed Wosinski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

6494 – Motion by Crystal and seconded by Jen to approve the agenda.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Public Participation

- None

Recognitions/Presentations

- The wrestling team and boys' swim team were honored as Team Academic All State for the winter sports season. Haylea Bazinau was honored for girls swim.
- Mary Pekel updated the Board on the trip that occurred over spring break to Europe. Several students spoke regarding what they felt were the hi-lights of their trip and how it had affected them.
- Jodi Ferris, new principal at Pathfinder, introduced Hailey Small as a new first grade teacher, and Ashley Johnson as a new kindergarten teacher for the 2019-2020 school year.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

6495 – Motion by Jen and seconded by Matt to approve the consent agenda items.

- Approve the minutes from the April 22, 2019 Board of Education meeting.
- Approve the disbursements for the month of April, 2019 in the amount of \$4,538,362.94.

Ayes – 7; Nays - 0 Motion passed

Leadership Reports

Ken Haggart, Superintendent

- Ken shared how exciting it is to have new teachers each year.
- Honors night is tomorrow night, Baccalaureate is Thursday and graduation is Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
- Ken met with a solar company this morning regarding how they can benefit Fremont Public Schools – they will put new roofs on the buildings and then put solar panels up on the roofs. Ryan and Ken will look into it further.
- The retreat will be held at the high school this year on July 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Bing Hanson, Director of Finance

- Bing handed out new financial reports. She is planning on having the new budget for the 2019-2020 school year ready in June for adoption.

Board Committee Reports

- Finance/Facilities – Met May 13 – Discussed the State legislature as far as K-12 funding is concerned. Discussed the upcoming negotiations with transportation and teachers. Bids were put out for playgrounds – only one bid was received that was a local company in the amount of \$431,000. Without altering the wants/needs of the teachers, Ryan was able to reduce that amount by almost \$30,000. Weather Shield roofing was the accepted bid for the middle school roof.
- Policy/Personnel – Met April 25 – Will review the recommendations from Lusk Albertson regarding policies. Discussed investigations by police and parent contact policies. Discussed the hiring process and getting the new teachers to sign their contracts as soon as possible. Discussed retirees, staffing and any new positions. Discussed the personal relationships policy. Discussed facilities rental agreement.

Action Agenda

6496 – Motion by Matt and seconded by Jen to adopt the Board Resolution in support of the NCRESA General Fund Budget for 2019-2020. There was off-topic discussion regarding the Career Tech Center’s policies on attendance and discipline and the affect those have on Fremont High School.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

6497 - Motion by Crystal and seconded by Rick to approve the bid in the amount of \$65,791.00 for Fremont Middle School roof replacement by Weather Shield.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

6498 – Motion by Crystal and seconded by Jen to approve the bid not to exceed \$401,094.36 for playground renovation to Oakridge Excavating.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Board Communications/Discussion

- Board retreat - July 16 at 3:00 p.m. at the high school.
- End of year celebration - June 4 at noon - cook out
- NCRESA Board election – June 3
- Graduation – May 19 – Board to be there at 1:30 p.m.
- First Reading of the Personal Relationships Policy
- First Reading of the Finance Research Collaborative Resolution – Ken discussed how low Michigan school funding is compared to other states. The State has shifted K12 funding to higher education institutes in recent years which has negatively affected K12 schools.

Adjournment

6499 - Motion by Crystal and seconded by Kim to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Richard L. St. Peter II, Secretary