

**FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Board Meeting  
Via Zoom  
April 13, 2020  
6:30 p.m.**

The Regular Board meeting via Zoom of the Fremont Board of Education was called to order by President Matt Hendrie at 6:36 p.m.

Present: Matt Hendrie, Jen Scott, Kim Rasch, Michael Campeau, Crystal Calkins, Rick St. Peter and Pete Slovinski.

Absent: None

Others present: Scott Sherman, Wes Zerlaut, Brett Westerlund, Rick Webb

**Approval of Agenda**

- **# 6588** – Motion by Crystal and seconded by Michael to approve the agenda.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed

Matt Hendrie, President, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Participation**

- None

**Recognitions/Presentations**

None

## **Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

- **# 6589** – Motion by Rick and seconded by Crsytal to approve the Consent Agenda Items:
  - A. Approve the minutes of the April 6, 2020 Board of Education Zoom Meeting.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

## **Leadership Reports**

### **Ken Haggart, Superintendent**

- Ken informed the Board of masks that had been made and donated for bus drivers/volunteers on the buses and others who needed them.
- There will be money for Michigan in the amount of \$392,000,000 as a one-time money to help with added expenses. This money cannot be used for staff usage.
- The Administrative videos were very popular, and Ken received calls from other districts complimenting us on them.
- Teachers have been redeployed to work effective today. Parapros may return later this week only if they will be doing “meaningful” work. Maintenance will be returning parti-time on Wednesday for sanitation purposes and will be prepping outdoor equipment also. There are plenty of work orders that were not completed that can also be completed during the shutdown. Secretaries are on an as-needed basis. Matt inquired into social distancing when the teachers are in the buildings. All meetings are via Zoom and administrators have reminded everyone to maintain their social distancing measures.
- We have had five resumes for the high school tech position – we are doing virtual interviews this week, although this position is a “want”. Mary Pekel and Cheryl Voyt have both announced their retirement plans. We will have to post for a high school art teacher due to the fact that this position is a “need”.
- GRBS has discounted our costs due to the reduction of workers currently cleaning our buildings.
- OAK is sending updates every other day regarding when they might be able to restart on the track project.

### **Bing Hanson, Director of Finance**

- Bing did not have anything more to add than last week. Just watching the monies and budget closely.

## **Board Committee Reports**

Finance/Facilities – No meeting.

Policy/Personnel – No meeting.

## **Action Agenda**

- None

## **Board Communications/Discussion**

Ken discussed the Continuity of Learning Plan that needs to be submitted to NCRESA for approval and then on to the State for approval. Ours is currently 17 pages in length and will be turned into NCRESA tomorrow. He presented the Board with a shortened version via power point.

Scott is planning graduation as soon as it is deemed safe to do so. Our seniors will have the graduation ceremony they deserve.

Michael expressed concern as to how much further behind our students will be in the fall because of this shutdown. There was discussion on students who had suffered through natural disasters in other states and how they performed academically thereafter. The administrators/teachers are planning for how they will remediate instruction in the fall.

Scott said that there will be blended instruction with emphasis on mental and physical wellbeing as well. More students in the high school have access to technology that originally thought. Teachers are working hard to make connections with their students.

Wes spoke to the middle school plans. They have had virtual staff meetings and his department chairs have “met” with their departments. They are having to pare down the content for instruction due to the lack of face-to-face interaction. Co-curricular teachers are especially struggling in terms of how to teach their subject areas.

There was a question as to whether 8<sup>th</sup> graders who are currently taking Advanced Math for high school Algebra credit will have all the foundation they will need in order to be successful in math next year in the high school. Jason Carpenter, the Advanced Math teacher for 8<sup>th</sup> graders, felt that they had covered enough and that the students would be ready if they continued to work on their math skills with the work to be provided over the next few weeks.

We are planning professional development for next year on how to catch kids up and planning for the entire school year as a K-12 effort. We currently have disparity in the abilities of students in the classroom now, so the teachers are have the ability to handle differentiated instruction.

## **Public Participation**

There was a question regarding the elementary plan for the next couple of months. Next week Jodi and Fran will be involved in the Board Meeting via Zoom and will discuss that.

Educational packets are set to start being delivered via bus with lunch delivery or mail next week on April 20.

There was a question regarding exchange students from the public. Steve Mull is finalizing transcripts and will send them out to the home countries in order for the students to be set with their home schools.

## **Adjournment**

- **# 6590** - Motion by Crystal and seconded by Pete to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

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Richard L. St. Peter II, Secretary