FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION Regular Board Meeting October 14, 2019 7:00 p.m.

The Regular Board meeting of the Fremont Board of Education was called to order by President Matt Hendrie at 7:01 p.m.

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

Absent: Rick St. Peter

President Matt Hendrie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

6537 – Motion by Crystal and seconded by Pete to approve the agenda.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Public Participation

None

Recognitions/Presentations

• All State athletes from the spring sports were recognized.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

6538 – Motion by Pete and seconded by Michael to approve the consent agenda items.

- Approve the minutes from the September 23, 2019 Regular Board of Education meeting with a small correction.
- Approve the disbursements for the month of September, 2019 in the amount of \$1,843,443.40.

Ayes - 6; Nays - 0 Motion passed

Leadership Reports

Ken Haggart, Superintendent

- Ken advised the Board that this has been our most successful fall sports season ever. We have received comments from referees and officials on sportsmanship.
- This is our year of kindness and compassion at Fremont Public Schools. We have started talking and programming with our students about this. We have Rachel's Challenge coming tomorrow at the high school and Wednesday at the middle school. Tomorrow night is the community presentation at the Dogwood Center. Next month we will be graced by the presence of B. Haley who is a drummer for Toby Mac and will talk to our students regarding kindness. This is to encourage students to speak up.
- Third grade reading law goes into effect this year. Parents will be notified by the State before the school district who will be notified in July. We will inform the parents to let us know immediately if they receive a notice from the State advising them that their child will be retained.
- The next Board meeting the Board will take the MASB survey of the Board's knowledge of the district, school law, etc. The goal is that moving forward to ask for assistance in the areas where the board may be weak.
- Principal evaluations begin in October and will finish up in the first week of November. This is a sit down between Ken and the building principals.
- Scott VanSingle, representative in Congress, represents us extremely well. This year will be a contentious year with a democratic governor and republican led house. Ken may be asking the Board to reach out to Rep. VanSingel regarding some issues. We also may need to reach out to Jon Bumstead, our senator, as well who appreciates hearing from community members.

Bing Hanson, Director of Finance

- Bing states that the finance committee met right before the Board meeting. At this point there is not a lot of information that we know. The expenditures are pretty close to where they will be, but we don't have a final decision from the State regarding the budget. The minimum of \$240 has been approved, but we are waiting to hear on at-risk and special education funding as well as NCRESA funding. Our current budget is based on the \$240.
- Fremont Public Schools did not have to borrow this year.
- Bing is hoping that Hendon and Slate will be here in November to go over the audit.

Board Committee Reports

- Finance/Facilities Met tonight. Pete reported on Finances. There were 3 payrolls in September this year as opposed to last year. We are down 30 students and added teachers in the elementary. Fund balance is 9.01% at this time. Jen reported on Facilities. Dave Walls, Athletic Director, came to discuss the track project. Fencing has to be moved back, new lights poles. Dave presented where the field events would be located. Further discussion regarding traffic flow and diverting folks behind the building rather than cutting out a corner of the building. Next meeting will be November 11. The snow plow bids were discussed, and it does not have to be a Board decision.
- Policy/Personnel Met September 26. Crystal reported on the meeting. They had talked about the threat of EEE at that time. Athletic survey - there has been a group working on one and hopefully have a draft at the next meeting. Lusk Albertson is sending updates to the policy manual. Thrun notes are sent monthly to Ken and are discussed at committee which gives a heads up on what is going on around the State. Went over school budget and student count numbers. Next meeting October 24 at 7:00 a.m. Administrative regulations will be ready in two weeks from Lusk Albertson.

Action Agenda

6539 – Motion by Crystal and seconded by Jen to open nominations for the position of Treasurer. Kim nominated Pete Slovinski. Matt asked for nominations two more times and no other nominations. Nominations were closed.

Roll call vote: Crystal – yes Kim – yes Jen – yes Michael – yes Pete – yes Matt – yes Pete Slovinski elected Treasurer.

Board Communications/Discussion

Halloween at Pathfinder – Trunk or Treat – Board is handing out candy from 1 to 2:30. There will be 27 vehicles there with parents. Matt took a phone call regarding peanut free. There is a parent who has a child in the high school who is extremely allergic to peanuts. Parent is wondering regarding coming to educate the Board. Our middle school cross country team has had a student from the IISP program at NCRESA running with them. The team has been extremely supportive. National Honor Society induction is October 29.

Adjournment

6540 - Motion by Pete and seconded by Crystal to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Richard L. St. Peter II, Secretary