

**FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board Meeting
December 12, 2022
7:00 p.m.**

The Regular Board meeting of the Fremont Board of Education was called to order by Treasurer, Pete Slovinski, at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Kim Rasch, Carrie Crosley, Rick St. Peter, Michael Campeau and Pete Slovinski.

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Treasurer, Pete Slovinski.

Approval of Agenda

6840 – Motion by Carrie and seconded by Kim to approve the agenda.

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Public Participation

- None

Recognitions/Presentations

- Mr. Sherman, High School Principal, along with Cliff Somers and Rick Tank who wrote a grant a few years ago to the Archery Association, explained to the Board how the PE section on archery is done. The Board then became the PE class with Mr. Tank and Mr. Somers instructing and the Board members actively participating.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

6841 – Motion by Kim and seconded by Michael to approve the consent agenda items:

- A. Approve the minutes of the November 28, 2022 Board of Education meeting.
- B. Approve the disbursements for the month of November in the amount of \$2,379,209.78

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Leadership Reports

Brad Jacobs, Superintendent

Brad advised the Board that the Director of Technology position is posted. We will wait until Plante Moran has completed their tech assessment before interviewing/hiring anyone. NCRESA will cover between Rick's last day of December 31 and when the new director starts.

The land swap with the City of Fremont was scheduled to be finalized last week. Unfortunately, our attorney found several things the City needs to correct in the contract before finalization.

Thursday, December 15, is the Christmas dinner.

We had a resignation of a middle school math teacher, and the position is posted.

Bing Hanson, Director of Finance

Bing will allow Pete to share the news from the Finance meeting.

Board Committee Reports

Finance/Personnel – Met tonight. Pete gave the report. Everything is looking pretty good. We are currently waiting on Safety and Mental Health money to come in. We have two TA's in the budget for the ESSER3 monies, but we only have one currently. We did receive the Title funds allotment which was approximately \$100,000 more than anticipated. Our At Risk funds are also up about \$600,000. We used some money to purchase a truck for the maintenance department and hired another full-time maintenance guy.

Kim gave the Personnel report. We have a math middle school teaching position open and the Tech Director position. We currently have seven teachers expecting this year. Bing's replacement starts February 1.

Next meeting will be in January.

Facilities/Policy – Next meeting is scheduled for January 9 at 6:00 p.m.

Action Agenda

6842 - Motion by Carrie and seconded by Kim to approve the appointment of Jennifer Scott to fulfil Matt Hendrie's vacancy on the Board until 2024.

Roll call vote: Michael – aye; Rick – aye; Kim – aye; Carrie – aye; Pete – aye
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

6843 – Motion by Kim and seconded by Michael to approve the Agreement for Collection of Summer School Property Taxes with the City of Fremont.

Ayes – 6; Nays -0; Motion passed.

#6844 – Motion by Kim and seconded by Rick to approve the Emergency Operations Plan for Fremont Public Schools.

Matt Hendrie, our School Resource Officer, explained the plan. It is not completely finished yet, but it is the lead to any safety grants for which we apply. The plan is consistent with all plans within Newaygo County. The first meeting with the Safety Team was held last week. Matt and Brad are currently working on a communication that will be put out to parents/Facebook to explain what the modes are, i.e. Secure Mode, Hold, etc.

Ayes – 6; Nays -0; Motion passed.

Board Communications/Discussion

6845 – Motion by Michael and seconded by Carrie to go into closed session to discuss the superintendent's evaluation at 8:00 p.m.

Michael – aye; Rick – aye; Kim – aye; Carrie – aye; Pete – aye; Jennifer – aye
Ayes – 6; Nays -0 Motion passed.

Returned to open session at 8:34 p.m.

Adjournment

6846 - Motion by Carrie and seconded by Kim to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Michael Campeau, Secretary