

**FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board Meeting
March 28, 2022
7:00 p.m.**

The Regular Board meeting of the Fremont Board of Education was called to order by Vice-President, Jenn Scott, at 7:03 p.m.

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

Absent: Matt Hendrie

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-President, Jenn Scott.

Approval of Agenda

6782– Motion by Pete and seconded by Rick to approve the agenda.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Public Participation

- None

Recognitions/Presentations

- None

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

- None

Leadership Reports

Jim Hieftje, Interim Superintendent

- Jim notes that after spring break we are in the final sprint to the end. Staffing is a huge priority and would like to have it set earlier rather than later. It is a huge challenge without qualified candidates.

- Discussed Schools of Choice – we are full to overflowing. We may have very limited slots available for kindergarten, but nothing else in the district.
- In talking to FEA and looking at the school calendar for 2022-2023, it looks like we will have a close replication for this year. We are looking at start/stop times for next year.
- Looking forward to the transition time of April 11, 12, 13 when the new superintendent will be chosen.
- Football applicants have come through – 10-12 resumes and another 3-4 candidates expressed interest. Committee will be put together this week and interviews will be completed the week after spring break.
- Dave Walls was recognized as the Region 8 Athletic Director of the year. He is doing a great job.

Bing Hanson, Director of Finance

- Bing stated this is the time of the year for finishing this year's budget and starting on next year's.
- We will have Esser funds for the next couple of years.
- Jenn had a parent and employee of Packer's Pride ask her regarding an e-mail from Packer's Pride stating that Nutrition Services Director stated that FPS would no longer be providing free lunches to them anymore. Bing explained that they had been charged, but Ken was funding it through FPS. There are state guidelines that FPS must follow....it is a licensing issue.

Board Committee Reports

Finance/Personnel – Met March 14, 2022 – Will schedule a meeting for April. Michael asked regarding the e-mail that Blake Prewitt sent regarding a Special Education Director. There was a lengthy discussion on the subject, but as there will be no added cost to FPS, and the position is a necessary one due to special education numbers, Barb will get the position posted.

Facilities/Policy – Met tonight. Michael went over the policy manual, looking for changes and trying to stay up to date on everything. Discussion on board terms and will figure this out for the election coming up. Also Thrun Law Notes will be forwarded to the Board. Jenn discussed Facilities. An indoor tour of the facilities was done in the fall. An outdoor tour of the facilities will be completed after spring break. Softball dugouts are being erected at this time....roofs are being put on today. New carpet is being put in at Quest and the 6th grade wing at the Middle School. Next meeting will be April 25 at 6:15 p.m.

Action Agenda

6783 – Motion by Pete and seconded by Michael to approve minutes of the March 14, 2022 Regular Board of Education meeting.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Board Communications/Discussion

- Superintendent search – April 11 at 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Pete suggested that each board member read a question. Will narrow the questions down to 7 questions and get those to Barb this week.

Adjournment

6784 - Motion by Pete and seconded by Kim to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0 Motion passed.

Michael Campeau, Secretary