

## Fowler Public Schools Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting MINUTES | Fowler High School Media Center  
November 13, 2017

Meeting called to order by Vice-President Ryan O'Rourke 7:00 p.m.

**The Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

**Roll Call was taken:** Jeff Thelen, Ryan O'Rourke, Lori Miller, Jason Smith, Chris Thelen and Dave Feldpausch were present. Absent: Lynne Feldpausch, Superintendent/HS Principal Neil Hufnagel, Principal Paul Minns, Athletic Director Kris Ernst, Business Office Terese Pline, and Secretary Kim Nixon were also present.

Motion by Jeff Thelen to add, Fowler Education Foundation Grant recommendations as Action Item H to this meeting. Supported by Dave Feldpausch. Motion passed 6-0.

### **Approval of minutes:**

Motion by Dave Feldpausch to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on October 9, 2017. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

### **Approval of bills:**

Motion by Lori Miller to approve the general fund bills paid and monies transferred. Supported by Dave Feldpausch. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent's/High School report by Neil Hufnagel. In addition to report, Neil shared his plan for a field trip for grades 7-12 on Thursday, November 16, to the volleyball semifinal playoff game if our varsity team advances tomorrow.

Elementary/Middle School report submitted by Paul Minns. In addition to report, Paul added a short explanation of how the 3rd grade legislation changes affect our reading plan. Waldron also piloted a Sign-Up Genius to schedule their Parent/Teacher conferences this year and how well it managed wait time.

Athletic Director's report submitted by Kris Ernst. In addition to report, Kris added that we are not able to host a freshman boys basketball team this year due to the lack of boys signing up to play. We do have a large 8th grade class coming up next year, so we hope to resume that program for the 2018 season.

### **Presentation:**

Presentation by Kyle Hugo from Weinlander Fitzhugh on the results of the 2016-2017 financial audit.

**Board Member Comments and Observations:** None.

**Board committee reports:** None.

**Public Participation:** There were four guests in attendance. Lori Hyland asked what the progress of finding a 5th grade math teacher currently was. Neil addressed the question.

**Old Business for Discussion:** None.

### **New Business for Action:**

We were planning to make a recommendation for hiring the Custodian position at Waldron but our candidate declined our offer.

Motion by Chris Thelen to accept the bid for Security/Electrical updates from the Lockout Co. Supported by Dave Feldpausch. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Jason Smith approving the Schools of Choice window for the second semester. Supported by Jeff Thelen. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Lori Miller approving the declaration that FPS will not offer breakfast to students as part of the school nutrition program for the 2017-2018 school year. Supported by Chris Thelen. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jeff Thelen approving Gregg Gilliland as the varsity Bowling coach commencing with the 2017-2018 Bowling season. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Dave Feldpausch approving Mike Spicer as the 7th Grade Boys Basketball coach commencing with the 2017-2018 Basketball season. Supported by Jason Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Chris Thelen approving the 2016-2017 Financial Audit. Supported Lori Miller. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Lori Miller approving the Fowler Foundation grant awards for 2017-2018. Supported by Jeff Thelen. Motion carried 6-0.

**New Business for Discussion:**

Neil Hufnagel reported that Stan Simon officially retired in October after 35 years of service with Fowler Public Schools. He will certainly be missed but we wish him well.

Kris Ernst provided a list of the coaches appointed for the 2017 winter sports.

A draft of the Resolution of Support: School Finance Research report was provided by Neil Hufnagel.

Motion by Lori Miller to adjourn meeting. Supported by Chris Thelen. Motion carried 6-0.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Feldpausch/kn  
Secretary