

Fowler Public Schools Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting MINUTES | Fowler High School Media Center
August 14, 2017

Meeting called to order by President Lynne Feldpausch 7:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Approval of minutes:

Motion by Jeff Thelen to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on July 10, 2017. Supported by Ryan O'Rourke. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of bills:

Motion by Jason Smith to approve the general fund bills paid and monies transferred. Supported by Chris Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

Presentation: None

Superintendent's High School report by Neil Hufnagel. Added that the audit went very well again this year. Huge thank you to Terese for all she does to prepare for the audit each year. Also, commented on the starting of school after Labor Day. We are 1 of 2 schools in our district to start school after Labor Day this year.

Elementary/Middle School report submitted by Paul Minns. Paul was absent tonight.

Athletic Director's report submitted by Kris Ernst. Kris was absent tonight.

Board Member Comments and Observations: None.

Board committee reports:

Lynne Feldpausch reported on the Personnel/Finance Committee meeting and the many topics that were discussed. Minutes were provided.

Dave Feldpausch reported on the Ad Hoc Committee meetings that took place with Consumers Energy and the Lockout Co.. Minutes were provided.

Neil reported that the Policy Committee has 1 more meeting to complete their review of policy and then it gets sent back to NEOLA.

Lynne Feldpausch reported on the Athletics Committee meeting. They discussed the wrestling proposal from Fulton Schools, possible upgrade to baseball/softball score boards, and the need to review the pay index for coaches.

Public Participation:

No public comment. There were two guests in attendance.

Old Business for Discussion: None.

New Business for Action:

Motion by Dave Feldpausch approving the K-12 Course offerings for 2017-2018. Supported by Jeff Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Ryan O'Rourke to accept the Wrestling Cooperative agreement with Fulton Schools. Supported by Chris Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Jeff Thelen to accept the Lighting & Security Improvement resolution authorizing the superintendent to negotiate an agreement to implement energy savings lighting upgrades and security improvements. Supported by Dave Feldpausch. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Dave Feldpausch approving Lunch prices for 2017-2018 school year. Supported by Jason Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Lori Miller approving the implementation of a Latch Key Program during the 2017-18 school year compliant with all state licensing and regulations. Supported by Dave Feldpausch. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Jason Smith approving the administration to implement a Deficit Reduction Plan for the Food Service Program. Supported by Ryan O'Rourke. Motion carried 7-0.

Striking the 9th grade volleyball coach, motion by Lori Miller approving the recommendation of Randy Wirth as the 8th Grade Volleyball coach and Teresa Pline as the 7th Grade Volleyball coach. Supported by Ryan O'Rourke. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Lori Miller approving the Jake Roorda as the new Music/Band Teacher (commencing with the 2017-2018 school year). Supported by Chris Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

New Business for Discussion:

A copy of the Audit Engagement letter was provided.

Motion by Dave Feldpausch to enter into closed session to discuss teacher contract negotiations. Supported by Jeff Thelen. Motion carried 7-0. Entered into closed session at 8:01 pm.

Motion by Ryan O'Rourke to come out of closed session. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 7-0. Came out of closed session at 8:20 pm.

Motion by Lori Miller to adjourn the regular meeting. Supported by Ryan O'Rourke. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Feldpausch/kn
Secretary