

## Fowler Public Schools Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting MINUTES | Fowler High School Media Center  
September 11, 2017

Meeting called to order by President Lynne Feldpausch 7:00 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. Superintendent/HS Principal Neil Hufnagel, Principal Paul Minns, Athletic Director Kris Ernst, and Secretary Kim Nixon were also present.

**Approval of minutes:**

Motion by Ryan O'Rourke to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on August 14, 2017. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Lori Miller to approve the minutes from the special meeting held on September 5, 2017. Supported by Jason Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

**Approval of bills:**

Motion by Jeff Thelen to approve the general fund bills paid and monies transferred. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 7-0.

**Presentation:** None

Superintendent's/High School report by Neil Hufnagel. Added a quick update on the drain commission's project regarding the drain ditch near the High School.

Elementary/Middle School report submitted by Paul Minns. Paul added that they experienced a very quiet and smooth start to the school year.

Athletic Director's report submitted by Kris Ernst. Kris added that we had a successful Veteran's game last Friday night. Now that we have CMAC on board and other nearby schools as well, we are looking forward to growing this event.

**Board Member Comments and Observations:** Ryan O'Rourke made a comment on the 1st grade class size situation.

**Board committee reports:** None.

**Public Participation:**

There were two guests in attendance. Vicki O'Rourke first thanked the board for everything they do for our schools, and then spoke in regards to the 1st grade class size situation.

**Old Business for Discussion:** None.

**New Business for Action:**

Motion by Ryan O'Rourke approving Bill Snyder as coach for 9th Grade Volleyball. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Lori Miller approving Carolyn Cunningham as the 2/3 High School Special Education Teacher. Supported by Chris Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Ryan O'Rourke approving a 1.5% increase for teachers and paraprofessionals working in our two preschool programs at Waldron School. Supported by Jeff Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Jason Smith approving the hiring of a Part-Time Teacher at Waldron to allow us to split the 1st grade for the entire year. Supported by Dave Feldpausch. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Ryan O'Rourke approving the recommendation to sign the MOU with Consumers Power to take advantage of the incentive program to replace our current lighting with LED and participate in the Green Revolving Fund program. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Jason Smith authorizing the Superintendent to sign an agreement with the Lockout Co. within the perimeters presented at this meeting indicating the project would end in the "black". Supported by Jeff Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

**New Business for Discussion:** None.

Motion by Ryan O'Rourke to adjourn meeting. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 7-0.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Feldpausch/kn  
Secretary