

Fowler Public Schools

Board of Education | Minutes

Regular Board Meeting, Monday, October 9, 2023 at 7:00pm | Fowler High School Media Center

Meeting called to order by President Ryan O'Rourke at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited

Motion by Kristin Phillips to add Approval of Fowler Public Schools Education Foundation Grant Recipients as action item 13G. Supported by Matt Epkey. Motion carried 5-0.

Roll call taken: Ryan O'Rourke, Lori Miller, Matt Epkey, Kristin Phillips, Jason Smith present. Bill Sillman absent. Brett Thelen arrived late.

Superintendent Patrick O'Rourke, AP/AD Kris Ernst, Business Manager Teresa Pline, and Secretary Tiffany Martin were also present.

Presentation: A presentation was given by students Gavin Klein, Jerome Thelen, and Brayden Witgen from the Robotics Club about the program, overseen by Josh Klein, the Robotics Club Advisor. A video of last seasons competition and an explanation of the tasks for the season was given by Josh Klein. The students gave a demonstration with last seasons robot completing tasks. They each spoke about the opportunities that Robotics Club provides them such as competing with schools around the state and meeting with other students and teams.

Superintendent/High School Principal report: Patrick O'Rourke provided an update on the High School.

Elementary/Middle School Principal report: Paul Minns provided an update on the Elementary/Middle School.

Athletic Director's report: Kris Ernst provided an athletics update.

Board Member Comments and Observations about Our Community Schools - None

Board Committee Reports - None

Public input on District COVID Response Plan for 2023-2024 School Year – None

Public Participation – Two Guests / No comments

Old Business

A. Bond Update- Patrick O'Rourke provided an update on the bond.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Kristin Phillips approving consent agenda items Regular Meeting minutes of September 11, 2023 and General Fund monthly bills paid and transferred. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

New Business for Action:

Motion by Lori Miller to approve the Fowler Public Schools Food Service Charge Policy. Supported by Kristin Phillips. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jason Smith to approve the Schools of Choice Open Enrollment 2nd Semester for the 2023-2024 school year. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kristin Phillips to approve the hire of Dylan Antes, 7th Grade Girls Basketball Head Coach. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Brett Thelen to approve of full-time Custodian, Brett Schafer, effective November 13, 2023. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jason Smith to approve the hire of Monica Platte, GSRP Associate Teacher. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kristin Phillips to approve the Return to Learn and Continuity of Services Plan. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Brett Thelen to approve the Fowler Public Schools Education Foundation Grant Recipients. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Matt Epkey to approve the Administrators Contract, Severance Pay Additions/Revisions. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

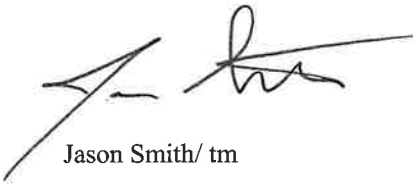
New Business for Discussion:

- A. Administrators Contract, Severance Pay- Patrick O'Rourke reported that this is an addition/revision to what is currently in the contract. After a discussion, a motion by Kristin Phillips was made to move Administrators Contract, Severance Pay Additions/Revisions from a discussion item to action item 13H. Supported by Brett Thelen. Motion carried 6-0.

- B. MASB Delegate/Alternative-Patrick O'Rourke reported that this would be for the MASB Delegate Assembly. Discussion took place among Board Members.

Motion by Kristin Phillips to adjourn meeting. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jason Smith/ tm

Secretary