

Fowler Public Schools

Board of Education | Minutes

Regular Board Meeting, Monday, December 9, 2024 at 7:00pm | Fowler High School Media Center

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

The Pledge of Allegiance - Recited.

Roll call taken - Ryan O'Rourke, Lori Miller, Brett Thelen, Matt Epkey, Kristin Phillips, Bill Sillman, and Andy Weber present.

Superintendent/ HS Principal Patrick O'Rourke, Elementary/Middle School Principal Paul Minns, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Kris Ernst, Business Manager Pamela Stump, and Secretary Tiffany Martin were also present.

Presentation – None

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

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

Athletic Director's report: Kris Ernst provided an update from the Athletics Department.

Board Member Comments and Observations about Our Community Schools-

Bill Sillman inquired about the High School front entrance outdoor lights. The timer for the lights will be adjusted.

Lori Miller complimented and thanked Mr. Roorda for his efforts with the band and music events. The Waldron Christmas Program was great and had high attendance.

Board Committee Reports – None

Public Participation: 4 Guests. No Comments.

Old Business for Discussion

- A. Bond Project Update: Patrick O'Rourke provided an update on the bond.
- B. Second reading of Board policy updates po1130, po3110, po4110, po3120.08, po5330.02, po5340, po5500, po6110, po6111, po6112, po6114, po6325, po6550, po7310, po7450, po7540.09, po8321. Patrick O'Rourke discussed with the Board the updates to current policies.

A motion was made by Brett Thelen to move Board policy updates po1130, po3110, po4110, po3120.08, po5330.02, po5340, po5500, po6110, po6111, po6112, po6114, po6325, po6550, po7310, po7450, po7540.09, po8321 from a discussion item to action item 13B. Supported by Kristin Phillips. Motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Lori Miller approving consent agenda items Regular Meeting Minutes of November 11, 2024 and Approval of General Fund monthly bills paid and funds transferred. Supported by Brett Thelen. Motion carried 7-0.

New Business for Action:

Motion by Brett Thelen to approve the donation of Physio Control LifePak CR2 Complete AED Package Donation. Supported by Lori Miller. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Kristin Phillips to approve Board policy updates po1130, po3110, po4110, po3120.08, po5330.02, po5340, po5500, po6110, po6111, po6112, po6114, po6325, po6550, po7310, po7450, po7540.09, po8321. Supported by Matt Epkey. Motion carried 7-0.

New Business for Discussion:

- A. Recognition of Lori Miller's service to the Board of Education. Patrick O'Rourke and the Board of Education recognized Lori Miller for her time, commitment, and dedication to Fowler Public Schools and the Board of Education.
- B. Recognition of Bill Sillman's service to the Board of Education. Patrick O'Rourke and the Board of Education recognized Bill Sillman for his time, commitment, and dedication to the Board of Education and Fowler Public Schools.

Motion made by Lori Miller to adjourn meeting. Supported by Bill Sillman. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Epkey/ tm

Secretary