

Fremont RE-2 School District  
Florence, CO 81226

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
to be held at the  
T&I Building  
Monday, January 12, 2015  
7:00 p.m.

## **MINUTES**

I. The Board of Education of Fremont RE-2 School District met in a regular board meeting on January 12, 2015, in the Technology and Instruction Building, Florence, Colorado. Tommy Covington called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

A. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

B. **ROLL CALL**

Everyone was present

II. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

A. **PUBLIC INPUT**

Erin Davidson

- Parents wanting to start a charter school. Presented the Board with a letter of intent and invited the Board to their public meeting on 1.14.15

Stephanie Luck

- School Board members – 6 seats are up for election. Wanted the Board to be aware of the legal laws regarding this matter
- Facility use of the high school by the Cowboy Church
- Questioned the date for the informational meeting with the parents on Common Core

B. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve the agenda for the regular board meeting on January 12, 2015.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Franklin moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on November 10, 2014 and December 5, 2014 as submitted by the Board’s secretary.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**D. APPROVAL OF GIFTS**

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mr. Dickey to accept the following gifts/donations:

1. Donation of \$300.00 from Knights of Columbus for Fremont Elementary School’s Special Education Department.
2. Donation of \$10,000.00 from Joel Mascitelli and the Mascitelli Family Foundation to Fremont Elementary School. The total to date from the Mascitelli Foundation is \$151,000.00.
3. Donation of \$1,500.00 from Wal-Mart to Penrose Elementary School to help with scholarships/iPads.
4. Donation of \$300.00 from Penrose Community Library to Penrose Elementary School for library needs.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**E. STANDING COMMITTEES**

BOCES Representative	Joe Caruso	No meeting since November
Budget/Grant Committee	Joe Caruso	No meeting – Approval of budget on the agenda
CASB Legislative Representative & Delegate Assembly Representative	Linda Schmidt	CASB Convention was the best convention Linda Schmidt has attended. Well worth attending.
Classified Association		Absent
District Accountability	Greg Dickey	Nothing to report
District Safety Committee	Tommy Covington	Nothing to report
E.F.E.A.		Absent
Fair Share Committee	Linda Schmidt / Andy Franklin	Working on language for the Master Agreement
Home Bi-Ed Advisory Committee	Andy Franklin	Windows & doors are in – house is on schedule
Pathfinder Park Committee	Cindy Cox	No meeting
Technology Committee	Cindy Cox	No meeting

**F. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED**

1. Thank you note from Mande Campbell for flowers sent for her Grandfather's funeral.

**III. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. SUPERINTENDENT**

1. ACE Program – FHS program sponsored by Cheri Johnson – students have an opportunity to help their community. Retreat once a year. Donated about 2000 hours over the last year and a half. Started a recycling campaign at FHS. Donated over \$6,000 to community projects. Students have been invited to participate in Florence's City Council.
2. Adding a vocational education program for agriculture at FHS.

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. WATER'S SHARE PROXY**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mrs. Heard to designate Tim Halpin to be the proxy for Fremont RE-2 School District for the purpose of the Union Ditch Water Share's meetings.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**B. SCHOOL BOARD POLICY – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING**

Mr. Franklin moved, seconded by Mr. Dickey to approve the first reading for changes made to policy GBGAB.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**C. SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING/ADOPTION**

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve the second reading and adoption for changes made to the following policies:

JKD/JKE                      JKD/JKE-E  
JKD/JKE-R                  JKF  
JKF-R

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**D. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM REQUEST**

Mr. Dickey moved, seconded by Mr. Franklin to approve the additional CTE course offering at Florence High School for Agricultural Education.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**E. OCTOBER 1 COUNT REVISION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the 2014-2015 Student October Count revised final submission.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**F. REQUEST TO ACCEPT BIDS TO SELL 1996 FORD UTILITY TRUCK**

Mr. Franklin moved, seconded by Mr. Dickey to approve to accept bids to sell a 1996 Ford 3/4 ton utility truck.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**V. DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES**

**A. BUDGET APPROVAL**

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt to approve the budget for Fremont RE-2 School District for the 2014-2015 school year.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**B. MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the minimum wage increase to \$8.23 as mandated by the State of Colorado.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**C. SIGNATURE CARDS – PENROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Mr. Dickey moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the resolution that the signature cards for the Penrose Elementary School district and non-district accounts be changed to the following names with the removal of Max Engelhardt.

Michelle Lesser  
Deanna Bellino  
Jacque Corsentino  
Amanda Campbell

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. VOTE TO PULL ITEM(S) FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION**

None at this time

**B. OPERATIONAL BILLS**

**C. PURCHASE ORDERS OVER \$5,000.00**

**D. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

**E. PERSONNEL REPORT**

1. It is requested that the Board approve the following resignation(s):
  - a. Dave Boden – Transportation – Driver Trainer
  - b. Michele Gattton – Fremont Middle School – Night Custodian
  - c. Allison Hunt – Fremont Elementary School – Kindergarten Teacher
  - d. Michelle Robertson – Food Service – Fremont Elementary School Cafeteria Manager
  - e. Richard Taylor – Florence High School – Assistant Baseball Coach
  - f. Tanner Wilcox – Fremont Middle School – Assistant Wrestling Coach
2. It is requested that the Board approve the following new hire(s):
  - a. Elsa Amezquita – Penrose Elementary School – Evening Custodian
  - b. Ashley Buderus – Fremont Elementary School – Kindergarten Teacher
  - c. Kristine Elzy – Fremont Elementary School – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher
  - d. Crissy Smith-Rohman – Transportation – Substitute Driver
  - e. Marcus Rekenhaler – Transportation – Substitute Driver
3. It is requested that the Board approve the following termination(s):
  - a. Brenda Knox – Penrose Elementary School - Evening Custodian
4. It is requested that the Board approve the following transfer(s):
  - a. Brandi Bailey – Food Service – Penrose Elementary School to Fremont Middle School Satellite Leader
  - b. Jerry Christensen Transportation – Bus Driver to Driver Trainer
  - c. Vicky Lampton – Food Service – Fremont Middle School Kitchen Manager to Fremont Elementary Kitchen Manager
  - d. Kris Westhoff – Transportation – Mechanic to Fremont RE-1 School District - Mechanic
5. It is requested that the Board approve the following leave of absence(s):
  - a. Kasey Berry – Fremont Elementary School – Maternity Leave

- b. Brittany Olguin – Penrose Elementary School – Maternity Leave
6. It is requested that the Board approve the following retirement(s):
    - a. Glenda Shannon – Florence High School – Special Education Paraprofessional
  7. It is requested that the Board approve the following new substitute teacher(s):
    - a. Melissa Bessire
    - b. Rhonda Painter
    - c. Kristy Williams
  8. It is requested that the Board approve the following new substitute paraprofessional(s) / custodian(s):
    - a. Jill Ballard – Food Service
    - b. Lee Millmollin - Custodian
    - c. Patricia Morton - Custodian
    - d. Paula Randall – Paraprofessional
    - e. Marcus Rekenhaller - Custodian
  9. It is requested that the Board approve the following volunteer(s):
    - a. Melissa Bessire – PES & Student Teacher
    - b. Albert Cordova - FMS
    - c. Haily DeSalvo - PES
    - d. Harmony Edwards – FES
    - e. Amber Kendall – FES
    - f. Stephanie Luck – PES
    - g. GERALYN Rekenhaller – FHS
    - h. Dawn Schofield – FES
    - i. Cynthia Sheesley – PES
    - j. Brandi Stecklein – FES/FMS/FHS

Mr. Dickey moved, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt to approve the consent agenda items.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting of the Fremont RE-2 School Board of Education will be February 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the T&I Building with the Workshop at 5:00 p.m.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mr. Dickey to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-aye, Tommy Covington-aye, Cindy Cox-aye, Greg Dickey-aye, Andy Franklin-aye, Mitzi Heard-aye and Linda Schmidt-aye.