

**MINUTES
FREMONT RE-2 SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

OPENING OF MEETING

The Board of Education of the Fremont RE-2 School District met September 11, 2017 at the T&I Building, 403 W. 5th Street, Florence, Colorado. The meeting was called to order by Board of Education President Tommy Covington at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Joe Caruso	Vice President Director District D	Present
Tommy Covington	President Director District C	Present
Greg Dickey	Secretary Director District G	Present
Mark Masar	Director District E	Absent
Linda Schmidt	Treasurer Director District F	Present
	Director District A	Vacant
	Director District B	Vacant

ADDENDUMS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

PRESENTATION – SENIOR FUN FEST

Gina Grisenti presented on the Senior Fun Fest that is put on every year for the graduating seniors. She shared a video of last year's event and talked about all of the sponsors, their donations and volunteers that make it happen.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt to approve the agenda for the regular board meeting on September 11, 2017.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent, and Linda Schmidt-yes

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Dickey moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting held on August 14, 2017 in the Fremont RE-2 Board Room.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent and Linda Schmidt-yes

APPROVAL OF DONATIONS

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

- Donation of 1000 pairs of solar eclipse view glasses valued at \$1,000 from Kramer Management for students at all schools
- Donation of school supplies from Sunflower Bank to Fremont Elementary School
- Donation of school supplies from Department of Human Services to Fremont Elementary School
- Donation of \$2.62 from Red Robin Restaurants to Fremont Elementary School
- Donation of \$250 for school supply scholarships from Steve & Pam Fox to Fremont Elementary School.
- Donation of \$75 for technology fee scholarships from anonymous to Fremont Elementary School
- Donation of \$30 for student supply fee scholarship from Lora Cochran to Fremont Elementary School
- Donation of \$500 from Royal Gorge Artists Association to Fremont Elementary School Art Department
- Donation of \$500 from Royal Gorge Artists Association to Penrose Elementary School for art supplies
- Donation of \$25 from Arta Laufer to Penrose Elementary School
- Donation of \$500 from Royal Gorge Artists Association to Fremont Middle School for art supplies
- Donation of \$4,300 from CPS Colorado Springs LLC to Florence High School for mattress fundraiser
- Donation of \$250 from Litz Auto for iPad Scholarships for Florence High School

STANDING COMMITTEES

- Agricultural Education Advisory Committee ([As Scheduled](#)) – Tommy Covington
[Nothing to report](#)
- BOCES Representative ([As Scheduled](#)) – Joe Caruso
[Nothing to report - next meeting will be September 28th](#)
- CASB Representative ([As Scheduled](#)) – Linda Schmidt
[Region 6 Meeting will be next Monday](#)
- Classified Association
[Absent](#)

- District Accountability (4 Times a Year) – Greg Dickey
Nothing to report
- District Safety Committee (4 Times a Year) – Tommy Covington
Meeting will be later in the month
- EFEA
Absent
- Fair Share Committee (Monthly) – Linda Schmidt
FTE Mandatory Meeting was held on September 5, 2017
- Home Bi-Ed Committee (Weekly)
No representative
- Scholarship Committee (As Scheduled)
No representative
- Technology Committee (As Scheduled)
No representative

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. **Ballot Language for November 7th School Board Election** – the ballot will contain a total of four director districts, two will have candidates and the other two will not. There will also be a question on the ballot to change the number of directors and the plan of representation. The question is to go to five directors with an at-large plan of representation.
- B. **School Health Professional Grant Update** – there are three new positions across the district – school counselors for Florence High School, Fremont Middle School and one that will be shared between Fremont Elementary School & Penrose Elementary School.

ACTION ITEMS

ANDERSON, DUDE & LEBEL, P.C. CONTRACT

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded Mrs. Schmidt to approve the contract for legal services from Anderson, Dude & Lebel, P.C.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent, and Linda Schmidt-yes

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF POLICIES

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt to approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies:

- ADD – Safe Schools
- EBBB – Accident Reports
- EBCE – School Closing and Cancellations
- ECA/ECAB – Security/Access to Buildings
- GBEB – Staff Conduct (and Responsibilities)

- GBEB-R – Staff Conduct (and Responsibilities)
- JKD/JKE-R – Suspension/Expulsion of Students (Hearing Procedures)

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent, and Linda Schmidt-yes

CASB TO CONDUCT THE SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mr. Dickey to approve the use of CASB (Colorado Association of School Boards) to conduct the superintendent search for Fremont RE-2 School District.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent, and Linda Schmidt-yes

DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES

- The auditors will begin the annual audit the third week of October.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Dickey moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso to approve the consent agenda items:

1. Approval: Operational Bills
2. Approval: Purchase Orders Over \$5,000.00
3. Approval: Monthly Financial Report
4. Approval: Staff New Hires
Destiny Macomber – Preschool/Early Childhood – Special Education Paraprofessional
Heather Smith – Fremont & Penrose Elementary Schools – School Counselor (School Health Professional)
5. Approval: Staff Supplemental Assignments
Duane Grasmick – Fremont Middle School – Head Boys Basketball Coach
Drenda Manning – Fremont Middle School – Head Cross Country Coach
6. Approval: New Substitute Paraprofessionals/Custodians/Food Service
Jeannie Melcher – Paraprofessional
Patricia Simmons – Paraprofessional
Katherine Troutman – Paraprofessional
Cindy Richardson – Transportation
Darlene Limbres – Food Service
Carol Whittam – Food Service
7. Approval: New Volunteers
Crystal Carpenter
Lisa Combs
Roy Farris
Trisha Lovato
Rachel White

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent, and Linda Schmidt-yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Joe Caruso moved, seconded by Linda Schmidt to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:27 p.m. for the following reasons:

A. Personnel Issue

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent, and Linda Schmidt-yes

Participants in the Executive Session were School Board Members present and Superintendent Rhonda Roberts

The time is now 7:47 p.m. and the Executive Session has been concluded.

FUTURE MEETINGS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting of the Fremont RE-2 School Board of Education will be October 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the T&I Building with the Workshop at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Caruso moved, seconded by Mrs. Schmidt to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote: Joe Caruso-yes, Tommy Covington-yes, Greg Dickey-yes, Mark Masar-absent and Linda Schmidt-yes

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Dickey, Secretary of the Board of Education

Linda Drake, Secretary to the Board of Education

Read and approved or corrected and approved on October 9, 2017.