

FREEDOM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
6:00 p.m. Thursday, September 7, 2017

At 6:00 p.m. on Thursday evening, September 7, 2017 the Board of Education called to order their Special Meeting in the District Board Room.

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - ROLL CALL/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
Present: Mr. Tom Harke, Mr. Steve Garvey, Mr. Gary Schumacher, Mr. Al Tiedt, Mr. Kevin VerVoort
Excused: Mr. George VanWychen, Mr. Kevin Schuh
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *Order of business may be altered and items may be added by a majority vote of the members*
ADDENDUM: Addition under Action Items/Hiring: Add Craig Schommer, 6th Grade Football Coach
Motion to approve the agenda with changes was made by Mr. Tiedt with a second by Mr. Schumacher. Motion carried.
- III. OPEN FLOOR PERIOD: None
- IV. RECOGNITION: Moments of Merit: None
- V. ACTION ITEMS:
A. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:
1. Personnel: Retirements: None
Resignations: 1. Julie Zwiers – Special Education Aide
2. Barb Wagner – FMS/FHS Cafeteria Worker
3. Carol Schilcher – Custodian I
Hirings: 1. Amanda Susek – 4K Teacher (One Year Limited Term Contract)
2. Jen Fogarty – FMS Yearbook Advisor
3. Sara Meulemans – Special Education Aide
4. Kimberly Laabs – FES Cafeteria Worker
5. Noelle Barajas – FES Cafeteria Worker
6. Pam LePlant – Special Education Aide
7. Tom Hartman – Special Education Aide
8. Alyssa Hofacker – JV2 – Volleyball Coach
Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented was made by Mr. VerVoort with a second by Mr. Schumacher. Motion carried.
- B. PRESENTATION:
1. Review of 2016-2017 Final Budget – Mrs. Gagnon, Director of Business Services:
Mrs Gagnon reviewed the 2016-2017 final budget sharing two documents with the Board.
- C. OLD BUSINESS: None
- D. NEW BUSINESS:
1. Presentation of 2017-2018 proposed District Budget and motion to approve:
Mrs. Gagnon reviewed the September Freedom Flyer to be sent out. At this time the State Budget is not final. The Board reviewed documents to be sent to the public for the annual meeting. No action taken.
2. Recommendation of proposed Tax Levy to be approved at the Annual Budget Meeting on September 25, 2017:
Again, with the State Budget not completed, no tax levy could be approved. The Board reviewed documents to be sent to the public for annual meeting. No action taken. Should have more information at the Annual Meeting on September 25, 2017. No motion made.
3. Other Business: None
- VI. INFORMATION ITEMS:
1. Update on 2017-2018 Student Enrollments:
Mr. Kilstofte reviewed the student enrollment for 2017-2018. We have a total of 1,628 total students: 706 at the Elementary School, 379 at Middle School and 543 at the High School.
2. Review 2016-2017 Seclusion and Restraint Report:
The Seclusion and Restraint Report is required to be presented to the Board of Education. Mrs. Mussett is the trainer for the District. Her report was included in the Board Packet.
3. Review 2016-2017 District Exit Report:
The 2016-2017 Annual Exit Report outlines the exit data for the Freedom Area School District during the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 and serves as advisory data for the Freedom Area School District Board of Education. During this period stated, 254 students entered/exited the school district.
4. Review Referendum Fact Sheets:
Mr. Kilstofte reviewed the Referendum Facts Sheet that will be included in the September Freedom Flyer.
- VII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS NOT KNOWN OR REASONABLY ANTICIPATED: None
- VIII. MOTION TO ADJOURN: at 6:47 p.m. was made by Mr. Schumacher with a second by Mr. VerVoort. Motion carried.

This is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not considered a public community meeting. There is time for public participation at the meeting during "Open Floor Period" as indicated in the agenda. Upon request to the District Administrator submitted 24 hours in advance, the district shall make reasonable accommodation including the provision of informational material in an alternative format for a disabled person to be able to attend this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,


Allan Tiedt, Clerk