

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, December 11, 2023 7:30 PM Central
Posting Locations:

Fillmore Central High School
1410 L Street
Geneva, NE 68361-1599

- Nebraska Signal

Posted Date: December 6, 2023

Chad Engle: Present
Shaun Farmer: Present
Christin Lovegrove: Present
Whitney Peppard: Present
Scott Schelkopf: Present
Adam Wallin: Present
Present: 6.

1. Call to Order

President Farmer called to order at 7:31PM.

2. Recognize Open Meetings Laws and location of the poster

3. Roll Call

4. Declaration of Legal Meeting/Excuse Absences

4.1. Declaration of Legal Meeting

Recommendation that this regular meeting of December 11, 2023 be declared a legal meeting passed with a motion by Adam Wallin and a second by Chad Engle.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

4.2. Excuse Absences

5. Public Comment

6. Reports from Administration

FC Elem – Mr. Veleba reported the winter concert is next Monday and winter testing has started in math and reading, with prelim results looking positive; a giving tree and coin war at the elementary as well with donations going to CASA, over 6000 acknowledgments for positive behavior, staff is using Branching Minds with behavior tracking.

FC MS – Mrs. Lamb reported first semester winter sports are wrapping up this week, summary of the food drive, recap of lower missed days and similar tracking at MS, discussion on when JH girls wrestling may be.

FC HS/AD – Mr. Theobald reported that the fall sport parents survey went out with 44 responses; likely going to need shot clocks for 2024 season; Thayer Central will likely use our

track for 3 meets due to issues with their track; we have a super low number of kids failing any classes.

FC Superintendent – Mr. Cumpston reported election filings for incumbents on Feb 15; review of safety audit with Norm Yoder, celebration during the PLC on test scores, attendance, some results on testing are no longer embargoed, annual report will be ready in January, AQuest classification is labeled a 4 or excellent (highest rating you can get), review of the "standard response protocol" regarding terms used, review of Our Town Geneva options.

7. Action Items

7.1. Consent Agenda

Recommendation that the Board approve the consent agenda as presented passed with a motion by Whitney Peppard and a second by Christin Lovegrove.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.1.1. Approval of the Minutes of the following board meetings: November 13, 2023

7.1.2. Receive, review and accept Finance reports

7.1.3. Review and approve the General Fund Claims

7.1.4. Review and approve the Building Fund Claims

7.2. Review, discuss and take any necessary action to set the early retirement incentive number of applications

Recommendation that the Board set the early retirement incentive number of applications to two (2) passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Chad Engle.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.3. Review and approve the 2022-2023 Audit Report

Recommendation that the Board approve the 2022-2023 audit report passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.4. Review and discuss the Superintendent Evaluation

7.4.1. Enter Executive Session

Recommendation that the Board enter into Executive Session at 8:09 pm to discuss Superintendent Evaluation passed with a motion by Whitney Peppard and a second by Christin Lovegrove.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.4.2. Reconvene Regular Meeting

Recommendation that the regular meeting of December 11, 2023 be reconvened at 8:24 pm passed with a motion by Adam Wallin and a second by Scott Schelkopf.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.5. Review and discuss the Superintendent Contract Extension

Recommendation that the Board extend the contract with Josh Cumpston through the 2025-2026 school year passed with a motion by Adam Wallin and a second by Chad Engle.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.6. Review, discuss and take any necessary action with regard to purchasing land East of the Football Field from the City of Geneva

Recommendation that the Board move forward with the hiring of Adam Goertzen with JEO on the survey of parcels of land the school is proposing to buy from the City of Geneva passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.7. Discuss and Approve a Student for Early Graduation

Recommendation that the Board approve Cooper Miller (Heartland Boys Home) for early graduation passed with a motion by Adam Wallin and a second by Christin Lovegrove.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.8. Review, discuss and take any necessary action on Master Planning Process

No action was taken.

7.9. Review, discuss and take any necessary action on policy #3012 School Meal Program and Meal Charges

A Policy meeting was held at 7:00pm to review. Discussion was held that the committee wants to make sure that kids are getting fed, this is a parent issue not a kid issue and we don't want to punish kids. The final policy language will come out in January

8. Discussion Items

8.1. Staff Negotiations

The committee met last week, a couple of counters back and forth and board made the final offer waiting to see if staff approves it.

8.2. Land East of the Football Field

8.3. Master Planning

8.4. #3012 School Meal Program and Meal Charges

8.5. Possible purchase of a Bus

Right now we have 7 full size Thomas busses. They range from 2011 to 2022. Two of the "spares" have had some issues pop up -- we have used one of them a couple of times. Bus #2 will need another engine at some point (estimated \$32,000). Might be wise to put that towards a new bus which are about 18 months out to build from new or a spec bus in May/June for about \$115,000-\$130,000. Bluebird has a 6 month build time at \$115,000. Going to be reviewing our fleet, we are looking at short busses compared to vans.

8.6. School Foundation Options

Recently had two phone calls wondering if we had a foundation for scholarships. The Fillmore County Foundation would allow a donor advised fund for these types of situations. They charge 1.5% a year for the management fee. Unless there was a large amount it likely would not make sense to have your own foundation, the yearly costs to stay compliant are pretty excessive.

8.7. Next Meeting: Special Meeting - December 13, 2023 at 5:30pm Regular Meeting January 15, 2023 at 7:30pm

9. Adjourn meeting

Recommendation that the board adjourn at 8:57 PM passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0