

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, May 11, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High School– Cafeteria
Meeting Minutes**

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Q&A on the FY23 Budget

(NOTE: These Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Directors. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the May 25, 2022 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Cheney, Candace deCsipkes, Jennifer Galletta, Jill Piker, Maura Pillsbury, Michelle Ritcheson, Valeria Steverlynck, Madelyn Vertenten

MEMBERS ABSENT: Susana Hancock, Elisabeth Munsen, Dung Nguyen. There was no student representative in attendance.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

VOTED: To approve the minutes of April 13, 2022 and April 27, 2022.
(Steverlynck – Pillsbury) (8 – 0)

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Add Item #14.C. & D.

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. FHS - National Merit Finalist

B. FHS - MPAPrincipals' Award

C. FHS - National Scholastics Art and Writing Competition Gold Medal - Moved to another date.

D. Report from Board's Student Representative - No report

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Items for Information

1. District Happenings

2. Resignations:

- William Wall, FHS Math Teacher

- Jon Torsch, FHS Math Teacher

- Amy Hockridge, FMS Food Service Assistant

- Kate Cass, DCS Kindergarten Teacher

- Ben Wolf, Maintenance/Van Driver

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Fiance- Peggy Brown

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests

Michelle Ritcheson mentioned the August Retreat is when Board members decide on their work for the year.

Jen Galletta mentioned the topic of opportunities for the public to communicate with the Board.

Maddy Vertention mentioned the Strategic Communications Committee has started work on this communication topic.

Maura Pillsbury mentioned the MSBA Board is meeting May 12th. You are welcome to attend or email her questions.

Candy deCsipkes is not sure of any budget change to the Region Ten Budget.

Jen Galletta mentioned we should be clear CTE is Career and Technical Education, not CRT Critical Race Theory.

B. Policy Committee

11. POLICY REVIEW:

A. VOTED: To approve 2nd Read of the following policies. (Vertenten – Steverlynck) (8 – 0)

JKD - Suspension of Students

JKE - Expulsion of Students

AC - Non-Discrimination/Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action

B. VOTED: To approve 1st Read of the following policies. (Pillsbury – Steverlynck) (8 – 0)

JK - Student Discipline

KDB - Public's Right to Know/Freedom of Access

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

13. NEW BUSINESS:

A. VOTED: To approve the Comprehensive Education Plan. (Vertenten – Galletta) (8 – 0)

14. PERSONNEL:

A. VOTED: To accept the nomination of the following personnel and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to issue contracts for the 2022-2023 school year.

(Piker – Steverlynck) (8 – 0)

1) Educators for 2nd Year Probationary Contracts:

Samantha Andreason

Brendan Boss

Amy Eisenhard

James Flynn

Janna Glynn

Matthew Howard

Megan Huckins

Stephanie Lewia

Melissa McQuilkin

Rosalyn Moisan

Mark Oliver

Rodrigo Palacios

Emily Radziwon

Genevieve Rumsey
Emily Schutt
Abby Skelton
Amanda Sommi
MaryBeth Steinher
Alexander Toole
Tyler Tracy

2) Educators for Continuing Contracts:

Susan Albertini
Margaret Armstrong
Chelsea Baker
Natalie Barrett
Stacey Bilodeau
Robert Borden
Darren Carter
Trevor Donoghue
Maureen Erskine
Amy Goodwin
Hannah Gottlieb
Kelly Howard
Haley Lynch
Katherine Lynch
Lydia MacDonald
Julie McCabe
Nathaniel Menifield
Jillian Merrill
Kate Michaud
Jacquelyn Mitchell
Margaret Mountcastle
Jammie Murphy
Amy Nazzaro
Lana O'Shea
Michelle Oliver
Sharon Pattershall
Kaley Petros
Benjamin Potvin
William Ridge
Julia Schwarz
Ross Shaler
Erika Skiff
Aja Stephan
Jacob Willett

VOTED: To employ the following individuals for the 2022-2023 school year.
(Cheney – deCsipkes) (8 – 0)

B. Cole Phillips - .5 ELA Teacher at Freeport High School

C. Luke Engelbert - .5 Life Science Teacher (one year position) at Freeport High School

D. Carr Vincent - Physical Science Teacher at Freeport High School

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 7:32 p.m. (Vertenten – deCsipkes) (8 – 0)


Becky J. Foley, Superintendent of Schools