Freeburg Elementary School Monday, May 22, 2023 7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education for Freeburg Community Consolidated School District No. 70 was held on Monday, May 22, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria at Freeburg Elementary School.

#### Call to Order

Ms. Foppe called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call of the members.

#### **Roll Call**

In addition to Ms. Foppe, board members Jamie Smith, Ed Scheibel, Jayson Baker, Amber Trout, David Stein, and Bill May. Also in attendance were Dr. Melanie Brink, Superintendent, Mark Janssen, Financial Officer and Recording Secretary, Lindsay Fark, and Ryan Wittenauer, Principals. Board attorney Heidi Eckert was also in attendance.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Board and public stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Visitors**

Visitors to the meeting included district staff Leah Beth Black, Rachael Stehl, Jennifer Scheuchner, and Natasha Tucker. Other visitors included Tara Lauf, Joshua Lauf, Danita Duecker, Amber Lonsdale, Roger Skaer, and Jean Sheppard.

Moved: David Stein Seconded: Amber Trout

# A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED (SEE ADDENDA).

- MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING, MAY 8, 2023 RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, AND THE MAY 8, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING.
- INVESTMENT SUMMARY THROUGH MAY 19, 2023
- BUDGET SUMMARY THROUGH APRIL 30, 2023

Upon a voice vote, Motion Carried, 7-aye, 0-nay.

### **Approval of the Bills**

Moved: Ed Scheibel Seconded: Jamie Smith

#### A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE BILLS, AS PRESENTED (SEE ADDENDA).

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

## **Reports of Standing Committees**

## **Reports of Special Committees**

#### **Petitions/Communications**

There were two Freedom of Information Act requests. The first was from the Illinois Occupational and Wage Statistics Program seeking job titles, department, and hours worked for all employees from November 15. The other was from LocalLabs seeking all payment records to Lurie's Children's Hospital since July 1, 2022. Both requests were filled within the five-day timeframe.

### **Public Participation**

The Board welcomed the public to the meeting.

Danita Duecker inquired to the Board why the results of the last election were not a factor in filling the vacancy on the Board. She also expressed disappointment another male was chosen in lieu of a female.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Brink gave an update on enrollment. Currently, our enrollment is ??? students. Last month, we had 789 students.

Dr. Brink shared the Art & Technology night held on April 25 was a success. There were over 1000 pieces of art on display. She thanked Ms. Graul and Ms. Cook for their hard work in putting it together.

Dr. Brink gave a rundown of year-end activities. Some highlights of those activities include:

- May 23 2 pm Dismissal
- May 24 2 pm Dismissal
- May 24 Graduation
- May 25 Last Day of School 11:30 dismissal
- May 26 Teachers' Institute

Mr. Janssen gave a summary of the major summer projects planned for this summer. They are:

- 1. Replacement of three HVAC units at the Primary Center. Those include the units that serve the 1st-2nd grade wing, the cafeteria, and the kitchen.
- 2. Installation of new LED lights in the 1972 section, which includes the 6th-grade section and both Science Labs.
- 3. Construction of vestibules at both buildings.
- 4. Replacement of remaining asphalt behind the Primary Center. This project is expected to cost approximately \$17,000 for the asphalt replacement and \$7,000 for the sealing.
- 5. Oil and chip the east parking lot. This lot is starting to deteriorate and this must be done to ensure it holds up. The work will be done by Dale Recker and will cost approximately \$12.000.
- 6. Thorough cleaning of all hallways, classrooms, cafeterias, kitchens, and gyms.

Mrs. Fark presented the Primary Center Principal's Report. On April 27, the Kindergarten went to the Zoo. Kindergarten visit day was held on May 3. Mrs. Fark thanked the PTO for a great Carnival Day. Everything went very well. Kindergarten screening days were held on May 15 & 16. Also on May 16, the 1<sup>st</sup> grade went to the Dairy Farm. Primary Center Field Day was held on May 17. Pre-Kindergarten Graduation was held today.

Mr. Wittenauer presented the Elementary School Principal's Report. Field Day was held on May 4. Mr. Wittenauer congratulated the students on winning the Rotary stick and thanked the Rotarians who volunteered. Like Mrs. Fark, he commented Carnival Day went very smoothly. On May 11, seventh and eighth grade students with straight "A's" in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter were treated to McLimo. The musical "Annie Jr." was held by our Chorus students on May 12 & 13. He congratulated Tirzah Stock on being the Optimist Student of the Month.

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

Moved: David Stein Seconded: Bill May

A MOTION WAS MADE TO INCREASE THE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MEAL PRICES BY \$0.25 AND THE PRIMARY CENTER SNACK FEE TO \$85 PER YEAR WITH ALL OTHER FEES REMAINING STABLE, AS PRESENTED (SEE ADDENDA).

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Amber Trout Seconded: Jayson Baker

A MOTION WAS MADE TO ESTABLISH THE NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY, BEGINNING WITH THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

Upon a voice vote, Motion Carried, 7-aye, 0-nay.

Moved: Jamie Smith Seconded: Ed Scheibel

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPOINT AMBER TROUT AS BASSC GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER.

Upon a voice vote, Motion Carried, 7-aye, 0-nay.

Moved: David Stein Seconded: Bill May

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPOINT ED SCHEIBEL AS THE DELEGATE FOR FREEBURG CCSD #70 AT THE ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS DELEGATE ASSEMBLY IN NOVEMBER IN CHICAGO.

Upon a voice vote, Motion Carried, 7-aye, 0-nay.

Moved: Amber Trout Seconded: Jayson Baker

A MOTION WAS MADE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:28 PM TO CONSIDER:

THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE DISTRICT INCLUDING HEARING TESTIMONY ON A COMPLAINT LODGED AGAINST AN EMPLOYEE. 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(1)

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Ed Scheibel Seconded: Jayson Baker

#### A MOTION WAS MADE TO RE-ENTER REGULAR SESSION AT 8:20 PM.

Upon a voice vote, Motion Carried, 7-aye, 0-nay.

Moved: David Stein Seconded: Ed Scheibel

A MOTION WAS MADE TO ACCEPT LETTERS OF RESIGNATION FROM TEACHERS JARED TIMMERMANN AND RACHEL HUDDLESTON, EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR.

Upon a voice vote, Motion Carried, 7-aye, 0-nay.

Moved: Amber Trout Seconded: Ed Scheibel

# A MOTION WAS MADE TO EMPLOY HILARY WAGER AS TEACHER, BEGINNING WITH THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR, AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Jayson Baker Seconded: Amber Trout

# A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE THREE-YEAR ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL CONTRACT FOR TIFFANY ZURLIENE, AS PRESENTED (SEE ADDENDA).

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Amber Trout Seconded: Bill May

A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION FOR THE LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING WITH FREEBURG HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE SHARING OF THE DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES, AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Jayson Baker Seconded: Bill May

# A MOTION WAS MADE TO EMPLOY TEACHERS CARRIE GREEN AND KAITLIN BECKER AS NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY CO-SPONSORS.

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Amber Trout Seconded: Ed Scheibel

#### A MOTION WAS MADE TO EMPLOY TEACHER ANGIE COOPER AS HEAD SOFTBALL COACH.

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Bill May Seconded: Ed Scheibel

## A MOTION WAS MADE TO EMPLOY TEACHER ALLISON SCHANZ AS ASSISTANT SOFTBALL COACH.

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

Moved: Jamie Smith Seconded: David Stein

# A MOTION WAS MADE TO EMPLOY DENNIS THOMA AS ASSISTANT BOYS' BASKETBALL COACH.

AYES: Smith, Scheibel, Baker, Trout, Stein, May, Foppe,

**Motion Carried** 

### **Other Business**

### **Adjournment**

Moved: Jayson Baker Seconded: Ed Scheibel

There being no further business to come before this body, **A MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:25 P.M.** 

Upon a voice vote, Motion Carried, 7-aye, 0-nay.

Michelle Foppe, President Board of Education, Dist. #70 Jamie Smith, Secretary Board of Education, Dist. # 70