

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 358
July 28, 2011

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The regularly scheduled meeting of the Freeman School District Board of Directors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Brent Fetsch. There was a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brent Fetsch, Chad Goldsmith, Randy Primmer, John Zingg, Randy Russell and Jan Davis.

GUESTS: Neil Fuchs, Ellen Hawley, Dan Gordon, and Annie Keebler.

FLAG SALUTE: Annie Keebler led the audience in the flag salute.

OATH OF OFFICE: Mr. Fetsch issued the oath of office to Superintendent Randy Russell and Board Member Neil Fuchs. Mr. Fuchs was seated as a Board member. Mr. Zingg moved the Board adopt Resolution 9-2010/11 – Authorization of Facsimile Signature. Mr. Goldsmith seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Minutes	June 29, 2011
General Fund Vouchers #6715-6791	\$ 128,634.42
July Payroll	\$ 516,477.83
ASB Vouchers #4650-4657	\$ 5,995.63
CPF Vouchers #1106-1117	\$1,126,025.90
Treasurer's Statement	

Mr. Zingg moved the Board approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Primmer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

BUDGET HEARING: Mrs. Davis reviewed a request for a current year general fund budget extension from \$8,773,659 to \$9,136,467 due to increased enrollment and additional expenses. Mr. Goldsmith moved the Board adopt Resolution 10-2010/11 - General Fund Budget Extension. Mr. Fuchs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Davis reviewed the 2011-2012 proposed budget as follows:

General Fund	\$8,753,135
ASB Fund	335,000
Debt Service Fund	1,263,320
Capital Projects Fund	9,165,000
Transportation Vehicle Fund	145,000

The Board previously held a work-study session to review the projected drop in fund balance. "This is the most difficult budget I have done in over twenty years and projects

an ending cash balance of only \$240,415,” Mrs. Davis stated. The budget is built on an enrollment of 895 FTE. The Board’s intent is to place any funds from enrollment beyond that to bolster ending cash reserves. After discussion, Mr. Fuchs moved the Board adopt Resolution 11-2010/11 for the 2011-2012 Budget as presented. Mr. Primmer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Mr. Russell shared an OSPI letter regarding two straight years of successful annual State Patrol bus inspections. He thanked the transportation department for their efforts.

REPORTS

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: CSG Representative Dan Gordon reviewed the PM financial report and cost tracking log as well as progress on the projects. Mr. Goldsmith noted that Jackson Road has deteriorated due to the dump truck traffic. Mr. Gordon said the contractor will have paving crews on site and will be able to repair the road.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: Mr. Russell reported families continue to call in regarding Choice, and enrollment is being closely monitored given the tight budget.

FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES: Mr. Goldsmith moved the Board approve future Board meeting dates as presented. Mr. Fuchs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Board meetings will be held in the new elementary multipurpose room once it is completed.

VISITORS’ COMMENTS AND CONCERNS: Annie Keebler inquired about Choice students. Mr. Russell stated there is a very stringent application process regarding student behavior, grades and any required special services. Mr. Goldsmith stated enrollment at each grade level is capped, leaving room for resident students moving in. Mr. Fetsch stated during the bond issue, they calculated that revenue from Choice students could actually make the principal payment on the bonds. Mr. Primmer stated that Choice students give the District many options and flexibility.

WSSDA CONFERENCE: Mr. Russell asked about attendance at the WSSDA conference. After discussion, the Board determined it would be helpful to send the new members to the conference in Bellevue and later have ESD Superintendent Mike Dunn provide a Board team training workshop. The Board decided to hold a work-study session August 10th at 5:00 p.m. to discuss strategic planning, goals, and evaluation of the superintendent.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY #2100: EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR MILITARY CHILDREN: Mr. Fetsch read the first and last

sentences of Policy 2100. Mr. Goldsmith moved the Board approve the policy for first reading. Mr. Zingg seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVE FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY #2162: EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES UNDER SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973: Mr. Fetsch read the first and last sentences of Policy 2162. Mr. Primmer moved the Board approve the policy for first reading. Mr. Fuchs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVE FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY #6882: SALE OF REAL PROPERTY: Mr. Fetsch read the first and last sentences of Policy 6882. Mr. Goldsmith moved the Board approve the policy for first reading. Mr. Primmer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVE 2011-2012 SALARY SCHEDULES: Mr. Russell requested approval of the certificated and administrative salary schedules as presented, both of which include a 1.9 percent reduction in pay. The classified salary schedule is still being negotiated with the PSE. Mr. Fuchs moved the Board approve the salary schedules as presented. Mr. Goldsmith seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL: Mr. Russell recommended the following personnel action:

Classified: Hire: Chris Kosty – SP Ed Para Educator

Substitute: Delila Hoff –Para Educator

Mr. Goldsmith moved the Board approve personnel action as presented. Mr. Zingg seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m. with no further action. Board members toured the construction site.

Recording Secretary

Board Secretary

Board Chair