

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, August 14, 2023 7:30 PM
Fillmore Central High School
1410 L Street
Geneva, NE 68361-1599

1. **Call to Order**
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
 - 4.2. Excuse Absences
5. **Public Comment**
6. **Reports from Administration**
7. **Action Items**
 - 7.1. Consent Agenda
 - 7.1.1. Approval of the Minutes of the following board meetings: July 17, 2023
 - 7.1.2. Receive, review and accept Finance reports: the reports from July will be at the August 23rd meeting
 - 7.1.3. Review and approve the General Fund Claims will be at the August 23rd meeting
 - 7.1.4. Review and approve the Building Fund Claims will be at the August 23rd meeting
8. **Discussion Items**
 - 8.1. Student Fee Fund
 - 8.2. Bank Accounts

8.3. Facility Audit

8.4. Property Tax Request Authority Increase

8.5. City Land East of the Football Field

8.6. Next Meeting : Special Meeting August 23rd

9. **Adjourn meeting**

August 14, 2023 Board Report

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My Report

Special Guest - FCCLA

BVH – Let me know if you have other questions for them to answer or things to include as they are putting together the final report. We are continuing to work with the structural engineer.

Final Forms – Most have been able to complete the forms. We had a few bugs, but I think overall we are up and running.

HVAC Coils at the Elementary – Rutts' finished the coils and they are working.

Football Field Lights – They completed the lights and we have had them on. There is still going to be another visit by Musco for training as well as the engineer will be returning to make sure everything is completed. We did have a change order for \$3,775.

Efunds – we continue to work with them for our roll-out. I think we are in a good spot to keep our Sept. 1st target date, but that could get pushed back a bit.

Compressor at the High School - Kelch installed our compressor and it is running and keeping the building cool.

We attended the City Council Meeting Monday night.

District Office Update

Action Items

- 7.1 Consent Agenda
 - 7.1.1 Minutes – the minutes of the July Board meeting are on the Sparq meeting site for your review and approval.
 - 7.1.2 Financial Reports – the reports from July will be at the August 23rd meeting

7.1.3 General Fund Claims – Will be at the August 23rd meeting. If you need more information on any claims, contact Lynne or I prior to the board meeting and we will get that for you.

7.1.4 Building Fund-Will be at the August 23rd meeting. if you have questions, please contact Lynne or I prior to the board meeting and we will get it for you.

8 Discussion Items

8.1 Student Fee Fund

8.2 Bank Accounts – Do you know when was the last time we looked at rates?

8.3 Facility Audit – Questions, Comments, next steps

8.4 Property Tax Request Authority Increase

8.5 City land east of the football field

8.6 Next Meeting – Special Meeting August 23rd– what time on August 23rd

9 Adjournment

August 2023
Mr. Theobald

AD Report

- WBGT Heat Tracker - wet bulb globe thermometer. We will once again be using this to help safely monitor outdoor practices.
- Fall Sports Night was held on July 31st. We had a huge crowd. Our transition with FinalForms, related to this night, wasn't quite as smooth as we wanted due to the timing of the rollout. However, I am confident that next year will be really smooth. Overall, I have heard mostly positive feedback with FinalForms.
- Fall Sports Numbers:
 - Football - 34 This number includes 4 HBH kids.
 - Volleyball - 22
 - Softball - 20 (FC - 12, EMF - 8)
 - Cross Country - 18 (10 boys and 8 girls)
- Concession stands help. Would the board be interested in helping out for an event like last year?

Principal Report

- Our first day enrollment was 172 students. This includes two foreign exchange students as well as 3 students who are enrolled part-time as they spend the rest of their time being homeschooled.
- The building and grounds look great to start the year. Special thanks to Doug, Deb, Dawn, Darlene and Mr. Sherman for their work this summer.

Middle School Principal Report
Submitted by Lisa Lamb
FCPS BOE Meeting | August 14, 2023

School Year

The new school year is off to a great start, through the efforts of all the Middle School teachers and staff members. The staff welcomed 156 students (88 Males and 68 Females) to the first day of the 2023-2024 school year on August 10, 2023. The grade breakdown is as follows: 37 – 5th grader students, 41- 6th grader students, 31 – 7th grader students, and 47– 8th grade students

Building Improvements

The Middle School custodial staff (Chris Gangstad and Trenton Hayse) did a great job this summer preparing the building for the start of the school year. Paraeducators, Misty Adams and Susan Janing also helped with painting rooms and hallways.

Middle School Open House

The annual FCMS Pool Party and Open House was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2023. Approximately 92 percent of Middle School students and families participated in the event. As part of the Open House, grade level orientation meetings were held in the gymnasium to provide information for students and parents. Additionally, the Fillmore Central Public Schools TEAMMATES members served a hot dog meal for students and families attending the Open House.

New Staff/Teaching Assignment

We have one new staff member at the Middle School this year, Nicole Keenan, K-7 Guidance Counselor. She will be a shared staff member with the Elementary.

NWEA MAP Testing

MAP testing will start the week of August 21st for all 5th-8th grade students. All students will be assessed in the subject areas of Math, Reading (Language Arts), and Science. Teachers will be able to use the data during our September 5th Professional Development Day. Teachers will use the data to guide instruction, as well as, track student academic growth throughout the school year.

Upcoming Dates:

August 21-September 1 – NWEA MAP Testing
September 4: No School – Labor Day
September 5: No School – Teacher PD Day
September 13: School Pictures
September 29: Dismissal at 2:00pm Homecoming

Elementary BOE Report

August 14, 2023

I would like to acknowledge our staff members for building their capacity throughout the summer by taking summer classes, attending workshops, and finding new ways to engage students.

Summer School

Summer school was attended by 54 students (45 average daily attendance).

Summer Work Completed

Andy has the grounds around the elementary looking great. Inside the building, Andy, Darlene, and Ron have done a fantastic job getting it ready. I would like to thank them for ensuring the building was ready for the first day of school.

Current K-4 Attendance - 213

(K-39, 1-43, 2-41, 3-37, 4-53)

(Male-101, Female-112)

Open House

FCES hosted the annual open house on Tuesday, August 8th, from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Over 90 percent of students and families participated.

New Staff

Nicole Keenan-Counselor

Brittani Arntt-Para Educator

Darlene Baguly-Custodian

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Monday, July 17, 2023 7:30 PM Central
Posting Locations:

Fillmore Central High School
1410 L Street
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- Nebraska Signal

Posted Date: July 11, 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

Called to order by President Farmer at 7:30 PM

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 July 17, 2023 be declared a legal meeting 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

4.2. Excuse Absences

5. Public Comment

6. Reports from Administration

Fillmore Central Superintendent – Mr. Cumpston reported on BVH and FinalForms. Summary regarding Grading For Learning and what that means, how testing practices work. Trust teachers to use their professional judgment. Lots of veteran teachers that are committed to quality education. HVAC coils are on track for late July. Football field lights - pylons are in and cemented, trenching is done. The poles and lights are to arrive on the July 20th.

7. Action Items

7.1. Consent Agenda

Recommendation that the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented 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

7.1.1. Approval of the Minutes of the following board meetings: June 12, 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 and Approve the Miscellaneous Charges Schedule

Recommendation that the Board approve the miscellaneous charges schedule as presented for the 2023-2024 school year passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove 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

7.3. Review and approve KSB Policies

Recommendation that the Board approve the policies 1000s through the 6000s as presented except policies 3014, 3037, 3056, 4029, 4062, 5045, 6007, and 6016 with an effective date of August 1, 2023 passed with a motion by Chad Engle 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. Review and approve the Elementary, Middle School, and High School Student/Parent Handbook, Activity Handbook, Coaches - Sponsor Handbook, Faculty Handbook, and Non-certificated Handbook

Recommendation that the Board approve the Elementary, Middle School and High School student handbook, Activity Handbook, Coaches - Sponsor Handbook, Faculty Handbook, and Non-certificated handbook as presented for the 2023-2024 school year with changes as marked passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove 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. Discuss, consider and take action regarding student expulsion for having a firearm in a vehicle located on school property.

Recommendation that the Board reduce a one-year expulsion to zero expulsion pending completion of a minimum of 5 hours of a pre-approved responsible gun ownership/gun safety course with a reflective essay turned into the threat assessment team at the conclusion of the course prior to attending school passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Adam Wallin.

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

7.5.1. Enter Executive Session

Recommendation that the Board enter executive session at 8:26 pm to discuss student expulsion for having a firearm in a vehicle located on school property 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

7.5.2. Reconvene Regular Meeting

Recommendation that the Board reconvene the regular meeting at 9:03 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

7.6. Review and approve the e-Funds contract

Recommendation that the Board approve the e-Funds contract with all fees being the responsibility of parents/guardians 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

7.7. Discuss and take any necessary action on the land East of the Football Field Owned by the City of Geneva

Recommendation that FCPS offer to purchase from the City of Geneva \$20,000/acre for up to 470 feet east/west and roughly 640 feet north/south OR \$15,000/acre for 200-470 feet east/west and roughly 640 feet north/south with a first right of refusal on any sale of real estate surrounding the Elementary School passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove 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

City council met in open session and did not move forward.

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\$15,000/acre for 200-470 feet east/west and roughly 640 feet north/south, with a first right of refusal on any real estate surrounding the Elementary School

7.8. Review and take any necessary action on the back-to-school framework

No action was taken.

7.9. Review and take any necessary action on the High School HVAC System

Recommendation that the Board hire Kelch Plumbing and Heating to replace one compressor for approximately \$20,000 to be completed by the start of school passed with a motion by Chad Engle 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

Four compressors are on the chiller, 1 and 3 are tied together and 2 and 4 are tied together. One went down (#3) this spring. We could just try to replace #3 compressor (cost a little more than \$20,000 from Kelch for compressor, about \$28,000 from Rutts, and \$46,000 for two). Both very close on timing. The chillers are 36-48 weeks out, and about two hundred thousand dollars. BVH and Alvine Engineering who worked with BVH with a recommendation to replace both compressors, which would allow us time to test water pipe thickness to ensure that a chiller is our best decision moving forward.

8. Discussion Items

8.1. Student Fee Hearing and Student Fee Fund

8.2. BVH report and time to meet

8.3. 2023 - July 2024 Board Meeting Dates

8.4. Budget Workshop Date

8.5. District Bookkeeper Transition Plan

8.6. Next Meeting August 14, 2023 at 7:30pm

9. Adjourn meeting

Recommendation that this regular meeting of July 17, 2023 be adjourned at 10:03 pm 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