

FREMONT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Summary
April 29, 2024

Roll Call

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The regular meeting held April 15, 2024

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MOTION 96-24 RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION (O.R.C. 121.22) – ITEM B

MOTION 97-24 ADJOURNMENT

**Fremont City Schools
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The Fremont City Board of Education of the Fremont City School District, in Sandusky County, Ohio met on Monday, April 29, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fremont Middle School, 1250 North Street, Fremont, Ohio and Live Stream District Website: <http://www.fremontschools.net/livestream>.

Board President Thomas Price presiding

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:	Thomas Price, Board President	Present
	Sarah Lewis, Board Vice-President	Present
	Lori Bloom	Present
	Laura Lehmann	Present
	Don Nalley	Present

MOTION 88-24 Approval of minutes

Motion by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve and sign the minutes of the regular meeting held April 15, 2024.

**Ayes: Bloom, Lewis, Lehmann, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

Legislative Liaison Report by Mr. Nalley

- He presented various topics via Facts In A Flash, which he will send to the board in an email, along with a hard copy to keep at the district office. He spoke about two items of note, including the administration of over-the-counter drugs to students and the growing fentanyl problem in our communities. We do have some things in our policies addressing the aforementioned items. From the Senate Education Commission, the “Military Enlistment Seal” has been renamed “Military Seal” and along with the rename, they have changed some governing policies, namely cell phone use and multiple other changes that will affect our district.

Walk on Items

- None

COMMUNITY

First Hearing of the Public

- None

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Superintendent's Report

- Mrs. Laura Ward was asked to talk about the student trip to Costa Rica and several students and accompanying teachers talked about their experiences
- Denice was asked to speak about curriculum policies – IIA, IIAA, IIAB and KLB
- Visit from success coach (football) late fall/winter and proposal is still being worked on. 37% of our student body is involved in athletics. We need to work to prioritize resources.
- There is an evacuation drill at Atkinson on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, we are working on making the community aware, as not to alarm unnecessarily.

Recommendations of the Superintendent

FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

MOTION 89-24

Motion by Ms. Lehmann, seconded by Mr. Nalley, to approve facilities and operations matters – Item 1

Contracts

Item 1. Consider approval of agreement with A & G Educational Services, LLC.

It is recommended that the Board enter into an agreement for services with A & G Education Services, LLC. (LEAP Program), for the 2023-2024 school year. This is a General Fund expenditure.

**Ayes: Lehmann, Nalley, Bloom, Lewis, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

MOTION 90-24

Motion by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Mr. Nalley, to approve facilities and operations matters – Item 2

Item 2. Consider approval of FEA collective bargaining agreement

It is recommended that the Board approves the FEA collective bargaining agreement effective July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2027.

**Ayes: Bloom, Nalley, Lehmann, Lewis, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

MOTION 91-24

Motion by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Ms. Lehmann, to approve facilities and operations matters – Items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9

STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT

Student

Item 3. Consider approval of musical instruments for Fremont Ross High School music Department

It is recommended that approval be granted to purchase musical instruments including 1 sousaphone and 1 Musser Chimes for a total of \$14,599.00 for the use of educational purposes at Fremont Ross High School. This is permanent improvement fund expenditure.

Item 4.

Consider approval of purchase of 4th and 5th grade Social Studies from Gallopade

It is recommended that Social Studies textbooks and online licenses be purchased from Gallopade for a total cost not to exceed \$9,973.66 for 1 year for use by Fremont City Schools as prescribed by Section 3329.08 of the Ohio Revised Code. This is a general fund expenditure.

Item 5. Consider approval of purchase of AP Chemistry curriculum from Cengage

It is recommended that AP Chemistry textbooks and online licenses be purchased from Cengage for a total cost not to exceed \$4000.00 for 1 year for use by Fremont City Schools as prescribed by Section 3329.08 of the Ohio Revised Code. This is a general fund expenditure.

Item 6. Consider approval of purchase of Algebra I and Geometry workbooks from McGraw Hill

It is recommended that Algebra I and Geometry student workbooks be purchased from McGraw Hill for a total cost not to exceed \$10,608.48 for 1 year for use by Fremont City Schools as prescribed by Section 3329.08 of the Ohio Revised Code. This is a general fund expenditure.

Item 7. Consider approval of purchase of Zoology curriculum from McGraw Hill

It is recommended that Zoology textbooks and online licenses be purchased from McGraw Hill for a total cost not to exceed \$7,171.20 for 2 years for use by Fremont City Schools as prescribed by Section 3329.08 of the Ohio Revised Code. This is a general fund expenditure.

Item 8. Consider approval of purchase of Chemistry and Physics curriculum from SAVVAS

It is recommended that Chemistry and Physics textbooks and online licenses be purchased from SAVVAS for a total cost not to exceed \$26,263.50 for 6 years for use by Fremont City Schools as prescribed by Section 3329.08 of the Ohio Revised Code. This is a general fund expenditure.

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Item 9. Consider approval of purchase of software and services from Curriculum Associates

It is recommended that approval be granted to enter into a Licensing Agreement with Curriculum Associates for i-Ready Diagnostic and Instruction system for a total cost not to exceed \$255,346.70 for 3 years for use by Fremont City Schools. This is a Title I and general fund expenditure.

Ayes: Lewis, Lehmann, Bloom, Nalley, Price

Motion carried. 5-0

Staff

MOTION 92-24

Motion made by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve resignations – Item 10

Item 10. Consider approval of the following resignations

Resignation
Administrative: Abby Abernathy
Director of Student Services
Reason: Resignation
Effective: End of 2023-24 Contract Year

Resignation
Certified: Katie Gerber
Teacher – Ross
Reason: Resignation
Effective: End of 2023-24 Contract Year

Resignation
Classified: Lee Guardiola
Bus Driver
Reason: Resignation
Effective: April 26, 2024

Ayes: Bloom, Lewis, Lehmann, Nalley, Price

Motion carried. 5-0

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MOTION 93-24

Motion made by Mr. Nalley, seconded by Ms. Lehmann, to approve staff matters – Items 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15

Item 11. Consider approval of the following administrative appointment

It is recommended that the Board approves Abby Abernathy, Assistant Superintendent, Step 7 on the Administrative Compensation Plan pursuant to O.R.C. 3319.02 for a three-year term commencing on August 1, 2024, and ending on July 31, 2027.

Item 12. Consider approval of the following appointments

A. Appointment for the 2023-2024 school year:

Certified Staff Substitute: Nora Esquivel (*effective February 1, 2024*)

B. Appointments for the 2023-2024 school year:

Name:	Breanna Guerrero*
Classified Staff:	Custodial I (A-29.00)
Account:	General
Salary:	Step 1 @ \$15.14/hr effective April 30, 2024

Name:	Shellie Plant*
Classified Staff:	Custodial I (A-29.00)
Account:	General
Salary:	Step 1 @ \$15.14/hr effective April 30, 2024

Classified Staff Substitutes: Rebecca Banda (*effective February 13, 2024*), Sarah Barth, Adrienne Smith*

*Employment of the above classified employees/substitutes is contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Item 13. Consider approval of the following appointment for the Summer Elementary Intervention program

It is recommended that the Board approves Joshua Matz as Summer Elementary Intervention Coordinator, Grades K-3 @ \$4,500.00 for a total of 30 days effective April–August 2024. This is to be paid from 572-9023, 572-9024 and #507.

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Item 14. Consider approval of the following supplemental contract

Appointments for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Duty</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jericha Martin	Ross	Head Cheerleading Coach E-0	\$3,841.00

Note: Supplemental contracts for 2024-2025 reflect the payment charts in the FEA contract for 2021-2024. The 2024-2025 payment charts are subject to change due to contract negotiations.

Item 15. Consider approval of the following special event workers

It is recommended that the Board approves the following special event workers for 2024 spring tournament athletic events:

Jay Bowers	Mark King
Crystal Walker	Joseph Hershey
Stephanie Martin	Chad Berndt (Non-FCS Events Only)
Cory Hull	Robin Mohr

**Ayes: Nalley, Lehmann, Bloom, Lewis, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

MOTION 94-24

Motion made by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve staff matters – Item 16

Item 16. Consider approval of the following status changes

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of John Willey from Custodial I (A-29.00) at Lutz/Otis, Step 2 @ \$15.51 per hour to Custodial II (A-27.01) at Ross, Step 2 @ \$19.02 per hour effective April 8, 2024.

**Ayes: Bloom, Lewis, Lehmann, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

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MOTION 95-24

Motion made by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve the March FY 2024 financial report – Item 17

FISCAL

Report of the Treasurer

Recommendation of the Treasurer

Item 17. Consider approval of the March FY 2024 financial report

It is recommended that the March FY 2024 financial report be approved (copy on file at Birchard Public Library).

Ayes: Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis, Nalley, Price

Motion carried. 5-0

BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

Congratulations to Jessica Michel, FCS Student Nutrition Supervisor, who is the 2024 recipient of the SNA of Ohio Sue Whitaker Membership Award.

Congratulations to Abby Abernathy on her appointment to Assistant Superintendent. She will be a good fit for this role.

The student trip to Costa Rica sounded like a wonderful experience. A great time was had by all!

Special thank you to the students who brought each board member a package of Costa Rican coffee to enjoy.

May is a busy month in the district, with a lot of fun events, such as the wind-down of Spring sports and the Music Showcase on May 18th, featuring musicians from all of the programs at the high school and middle school.

This upcoming weekend, on May 3rd, is Prom. Students are strongly encouraged to be safe while attending all prom activities and parents are asked to be mindful of student safety if hosting any after-prom events.

FMS orchestra concert being conducted the same time as the board meeting and the musicians sounded great!

Stadium project is coming along nicely.

It's nice to see so much student involvement out in the community.

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MOTION 96-24

Motion made by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Nalley, to enter into executive session (O.R.C. 121.22) for Item B: To consider the employment of a public employee or official.

The Board moved into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m.
The Board returned to Regular Session at 8:20 p.m.

Ayes: Price, Nalley, Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis
Motion carried. 5-0

MOTION 97-24

Motion made by Mr. Nalley, seconded by Mrs. Bloom, to adjourn regular board meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Ayes: Nalley, Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis, Price
Motion carried. 5-0

APPROVED:

m.

Date: _____

President

Treasurer