

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FREEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 358
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 11, 2010

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 Diane Woodman. There was a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brent Fetsch, Randy Primmer, Diane Woodman, John Zingg, Chad Goldsmith, Sergio Hernandez and Jan Davis.

GUESTS: Dan Gordon, Ellen Hawley, Dave Smith, Dax Logsdon, Whitney Naber, Kim Naber, and Jim Straw.

FLAG SALUTE: Dan Gordon led the audience in the flag salute.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Minutes

January 28, 2010

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

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None.

REPORTS

BUILDING REPORTS: Mr. Straw reported elementary teachers Judy Bickler and Jane Brune won a grant for a greenhouse and \$1,000 by submitting a recipe for Washington Potato Curry Soup. The recipe was developed by student teacher Sang Tran and Nutrition Services Supervisor Raeann Ducar. The greenhouse will be incorporated into the elementary modernization project. Mr. Straw reported that elementary teacher Dwayne Gady has been selected for the Teaching American History grant program.

Regarding middle school activities, Mr. Straw reported high school registration has begun with eighth grade students. The eighth grade basketball team is playing for league championship tonight against Centennial Middle School. Middle school student Whitney Naber demonstrated her coursework with on-line Rosetta Stone Spanish.

High School Principal Dave Smith reported on FBLA success at the regional conference, upcoming testing, and a survey being conducted to assist with scheduling of courses for next year. Regarding league changes, Mr. Smith stated Kettle Falls has been approved for 2B and Medical Lake will play football as an independent.

Mr. Hernandez reminded the Board the district received a \$65,000 small repair grant from the state to put in an additional well. High school student Royce Robinson presented drawings and cost estimates for students to build an 8x16 foot shed to house the well controls as well as room for tennis storage. Construction will be done by students under the direction of Teacher Jim Wood. Mr. Fetsch moved the Board approve the proposed building as presented and delegate the superintendent to negotiate any remaining items. Mr. Primmer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: CSG Representative Dan Gordon showed pictures of construction progress. Dax Logsdon presented an updated construction schedule and budget update. "There are contingency plans to make up days over the summer," he stated. The project remains within budget.

ENROLLMENT REPORT: Mr. Hernandez reported enrollment remains close to the budgeted amount of 895 FTE.

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE REPORT: John Zingg reported on attendance at the WSSDA/WASA Legislative Conference, meetings with legislators, and the McCleary decision regarding full funding of basic education by the state.

VISITORS' COMMENTS AND CONCERNS: None.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE CHANGE TO 2010-11 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Mr. Hernandez reported the first week in April for spring break was a tradition until dates for WASL testing conflicted. He recommended spring break for 2010-11 be returned to that week given the change in state testing dates. This will put us in line with other Spokane County school districts. Mr. Fetsch moved the Board approve April 4-8, 2011 as spring break. Mr. Goldsmith seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

OTHER INFORMATION: The Board was reminded of the retreat on February 18 at 5:00 p.m.

PERSONNEL: Mr. Hernandez recommended the following personnel action:

Certified: Resignation – Diane Barron (HS Art/Yearbook), effective June 15, 2010

Hire: Substitute Teacher - Michael Monroe

Extracurricular: Resignation – Kelsey Raines, MS Assistant Track

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

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m. with no further action.

Recording Secretary

Board Secretary

Board Chair