

**FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 11, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held Monday, March 11, 2024 in the high school media center.

I. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance - Roll Call

Vice President Janice Handrich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mike Alchin, Ryan Blair, Janice Handrich, Amber Larrison, Herb Trader,
and Gary Wnuk

ABSENT: Anne Tompkins

II. Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved by Board consensus.

III. Consent Agenda

Larrison/Blair That the following items be included in the Consent Agenda and be accepted as presented:

A. February 12, 2024 regular Board meeting minutes

B. Treasurer's Reports

--Cash Receipts reports for General Fund, Sinking Fund, 2018 Sinking Fund

--General Fund Accounts Payable for February 2024, which include payrolls of \$170,418.33, bills to be ratified of \$110,634.01 and bills to be paid of \$39,699.43, totaling \$320,751.77.

C. Administrative written reports

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0

Motion carried.

IV. PRESENTATION – Robotics Teams

V. Public Comment - None

VI. Student and Staff Recognition

The Board honored teachers Mandy Trader and Kari King, and Lisa Force; paraprofessional.

VII. Administrative Reports

A. Sarah Taylor, Superintendent / K-5 Principal

B. Troy Ross, 6-12 Principal

VIII. Athletics Update – Raquel Rondo

IX. Board Committee Reports Building/Maintenance, February 12, 2024

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second Read – Policy Updates

The Board conducted a second reading of the revised policies in the Neola November update.

Trader/Larrison That the revised policies from the Neola November 2023 special update be approved as presented.

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0

Motion carried.

XI. NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS

A. Starbase Learning

The 4th and 5th graders have asked permission to attend Starbase Learning Center this spring.

Trader/Alchin That the Board approve the 4th and 5th grade learning opportunity at Starbase Learning Center in Alpena.

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0 Motion carried.

B. Co-Op Sports

Mrs. Rondo made the following recommendation:

Trader/Larrison That the district co-op football with Atlanta Community Schools for the 2024-2025 school year.

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0 Motion carried.

C. Resignations

A notice of resignation was received from Mrs. Brandy Beardslee from her position as paraprofessional effective March 1, 2024.

Wnuk/Trader That the notice of resignation from Brandy Beardslee as paraprofessional be accepted as presented.

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0 Motion carried.

A notice of resignation was received from Mr. Troy Ross from his position as varsity girls basketball coach.

Trader/Alchin That the notice of resignation from Troy Ross and varsity girls basketball coach be accepted as presented.

Ayes – 5, Nays – 1 (Wnuk) Motion carried.

XII. NEW BUSINESS—DISCUSSION ITEMS AND DATES

A. Standing Committee Meetings

1. Policy – April 4, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
2. Building/Maintenance – April 8, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

XIII. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments

Board Comments: Herb Trader has not yet heard back from the gentleman selling the athletic mats.

Amber Larrison informed the Board that the preschool is in need of a new lead teacher. The district is at risk of losing the preschool program if the position is not filled. Mrs. Taylor has been in touch with C.O.O.R. ISD concerning the matter.

XIII. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments, (Con't.)

Communications: None

Public Comments: None

XIV. CLOSED SESSION - Negotiations

Role call to move to Closed Session:

Alchin – Aye

Handrich - Aye

Trader - Aye

Blair – Aye

Larrison - Aye

Wnuk - Aye

The Board moved to Closed Session at 7:30 p.m. and returned to Open Session at 7:40 p.m.

Wnuk/Alchin That the Section 27(l) funding in the amount of \$13,821.09 be distributed in equal payments of \$400.00 (before taxes) per educator as defined by the IRS.

Ayes – 4, Nays – 1 (Blair), Abstain – 1 (Trader) Motion carried.

Wnuk/Alchin That all remaining eligible staff members not included in the Section 27(l) funding receive a payment of \$400.00 (before taxes) from the general fund.

Ayes – 5, Nays – 1 (Blair), Motion carried.

Vice-President Handrich adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Amber Larrison, Board Secretary