

**FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 8, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held Monday evening, April 8, 2013 in the elementary school media center.

Board President Beth Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Beth Miller, Diana Danhoff, Chris Neff, Randy Shantz, Merianne Tappan,
and Anne Tompkins (7:05 p.m.)

ABSENT: Kirk Peterson

I. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved by Board consensus.

II. Consent Agenda

Danhoff/Neff That the following items be included in the Consent Agenda and be accepted as presented:

- A. March 11, 2013 regular board meeting
- B. Treasurer's Reports
 - Cash Receipts reports for General Fund, 1998 Debt Retirement Fund, and Sinking Fund
 - General Fund Accounts Payable for March 2013, which include payrolls of \$127,077.43, bills to be ratified of \$81,679.47, and bills to be paid of \$70,389.75, totaling \$279,146.65.
- D. Administrative written reports

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

III. Public Comment - None

IV. Administrative Reports

Mr. Ricketson added the following to his administrative report:

1. The technology committee met today to discuss future plans for the district. Mr. Ricketson will present information at the May meeting.
2. The harvesting of timber has begun at the forest. Classes have been invited to observe the process and to help with the planting of new seedlings later in the spring.
3. The Survey of Enacted Curriculum was initiated at the last PD day and was well received.

V. Board Committee Reports - None

VI. OLD BUSINESS - None

VII. NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS - None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS—DISCUSSION ITEMS AND DATES

A. Update on Bullying Policy

Mr. Ricketson provided a one-year update on the effectiveness of the bullying policy as requested by the Board. Very few occurrences of bullying were reported last year and were handled immediately. Staff and coaches are very attentive to the matter.

B. Student Growth / Measurement Goals

Mr. Ricketson shared information with the board concerning student growth. The Board will conduct a work session during the summer to review the district's specific goals and indicators of student growth and achievement. These goals are now required to be included as part of the annual superintendent evaluation.

C. 2013-2014 School Calendar

The Board discussed a tentative school calendar for 2013-2014 and agreed by consensus that September 3, 2013 will be the first day of school in accordance with the C.O.O.R. calendar. The calendar committee will be meeting this week and the final calendar will be available for approval at the May Board meeting.

D. Early Childhood – Great Start

Mr. Ricketson provided information regarding the Early Childhood / Great Start Readiness Program. A brief discussion ensued regarding if and how this would affect the current Eagle's Nest Preschool program. The Board would like more detailed information before determining if the district should participate in the program.

E. Summer Work Schedule

Mr. Ricketson proposed a four-day work week for the office staff during the summer. Staff would work the same amount of hours in four days instead of five. The Board was receptive to the idea and suggested a rotation if needed. Mr. Ricketson stated there is not much, if any, public traffic during the summer and the practice is common at most other districts.

F. Standing Committee Meeting Dates

1. The Policy Committee will meet April 15 at 6:30 p.m.
2. The Building/Maintenance Committee will meet April 15 at 7:00 p.m.

IX. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments

Board Comment Diana Danhoff would like to thank everyone for the thoughts and prayers during her recovery. Ms. Danhoff also expressed she would like to participate in this year's graduation ceremony.

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

Board Comment Chris Neff reminded the Board that new goals need to be set for the Superintendent evaluation. This will be addressed at a work session during the summer.

The Board discussed the participation rates for the recent parent/teacher conferences. Participation was down due to the conferences being scheduled the last day before spring break.

Communication The Joint Boards dinner meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 29, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Roscommon High School cafeteria. The C.O.O.R. budgets will be presented at 5:30 p.m.

A letter was received from the Support Staff requesting to begin contract negotiations.

Public Comment None

President Miller adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Diana Danhoff, Board Secretary