

**FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
DECEMBER 9, 2013**

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A regular meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held Monday evening, December 9, 2013 in the elementary school media center.

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

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

ABSENT: Herb Trader

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

**II. Consent Agenda**

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

A. November 11, 2013 regular meeting minutes

B. Treasurer's Reports

--Cash Receipts reports for General Fund, 1998 Debt Retirement Fund, and Sinking Fund

--General Fund Accounts Payable for November 2013, which include payrolls of \$179,565.76, bills to be ratified of \$136,885.32, and bills to be paid of \$19,619.98, totaling \$336,071.06.

C. Administrative written reports

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**IV. Public Comment** - None

*Merianne Tappan joined the meeting.*

**V. Administrative Reports**

**VI. Board Committee Reports** – Building/Maintenance, November 19, 2013

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Mr. Bob Madison – ACHIEVES Program**

Bob Madison addressed the Board at the August 12, 2013 meeting concerning the ACHIEVES Program. He conducted a follow-up at this month's meeting to collect feedback and suggestions from the Board on the feasibility of continuing the program. The Board agreed it is a worthwhile program and relayed positive feedback. The matter will be brought to the next School Improvement Committee meeting for further discussion.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Technology Bond**

On November 5, 2013 a bond proposal was passed allowing the District to issue bonds in the amount of \$835,000.00 for the purpose of acquiring technology and busses. The Board voted to adopt the Authorizing Resolution.

Neff/Danhoff \* **See Authorizing Resolution**

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS—DISCUSSION ITEMS AND DATES**

**A. Administrative Structure 2014-2015**

Mr. Ricketson informed the Board that he will meet with Mr. Handrich and Mrs. Handrich later this week to discuss the administrative structure for 2014-2015. Mr. Ricketson will provide options for the Board to discuss at the January work session.

**B. Schedule January Work Session**

The Board scheduled a work session for January 20, 2014, 6:00 p.m. at Randy Shantz’s house.

**C. Standing Committee Meetings - None**

**X. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments**

Board Comments: A concern was voiced regarding the amount of homework students are being given and that parents are not able to help students. The Board was reminded that tutoring opportunities are available before and after school for students who need additional help.

Communications: None

Public Comment: Wesley Roop agreed that the homework load is heavy and finding time to complete assignments is complicated by jobs, etc.

Lucas Small asked if time could be given in the classroom to work on assignments as some students are not able to stay late or come in early for tutoring.

Mr. Ricketson agreed to share these concerns and feedback with teachers.

President Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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Diana Danhoff, Board Secretary