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Fremont Joint School District No. 215  
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes  
March 14, 2022  
Fremont School District Office  
Regular Session 5:00 p.m.

Attending:     Jon Bailey-Board Chair  
                  Tia Cherry-Vice Chair  
                  Julianne Hill-Trustee  
                  JayLee Packer-Trustee  
                  Coy Crapo-Trustee  
                  Byron Stutzman-Superintendent  
                  Hali Mackert-Clerk/Treasurer

Prayer: A prayer was offered by Trustee Julianne Hill

Call the Meeting to Order: Vice-Chair Tia Cherry called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda-Action Item

**MOTION:** Trustee Julianne Hill made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Trustee JayLee Packer. All “ayes”, motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance: Trustee Tia Cherry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Patron Input: There was no patron input.

Action Items:

Approval of Consent Agenda

**MOTION:** Trustee Coy Crapo made a motion to accept the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Trustee JayLee Packer. All “ayes”, motion carried.

1-Community Fieldhouse: Jeff Gold and Chris Hammond members of the Community Action Committee presented a proposal for a Fremont Fieldhouse and would like it to be placed north of South Fremont High School on school property. Funds for the building would be raised through donations and grants, at a cost of approximately \$5.2 million. They proposed the district accept the gift of the building, with a user agreement that is for Fremont County residents and Fremont School District students. The district would be responsible to maintain the building. The approximate annual maintenance cost would be \$28,000.

No action was taken. The Trustees wanted more information and would add it to the April agenda.

2-Splitting the District: Superintendent Stutzman said he had a meeting with patrons from the north and south, two teachers from each end of the district and administrators. It was suggested putting together a resolution for an informational question to get on the ballot for May 17. Our legal counsel said the district couldn’t do it, but the county commissioners would be able to. The county commissioners did approve the informational question to be on the ballot.

The Informational question will read: “Shall the Board of Trustees of Fremont County Joint School District No. 215, spend the necessary funds to move forward to determine if we should split the District into two new Districts consisting of a new District called North Fremont School District and Fremont County Joint School District?

No action was taken. It was determined to wait until after the May 17 election.

3-Policy Amendments and Procedures-2310 Nutrition Education, 3000 Entrance, Placement & Transfer, 3030 Part-Time Attendance/Dual Enrollment, 3031 Extracurricular Activities, 3370 Searches & Seizure, 3370P Searches and Seizure, 3440 Student Fees, Fines and Charges/Return of Property, 3530 Suicide, 4210 Community Use of School Facilities, 4210P Community Use of School Facilities, 4210F3 Facilities Use Agreement, 7710 Bond Continuing Disclosure and Certification Requirements: Superintendent said his recommendation is to approve the amendments with the choice of “option 1” on 4210P.

**MOTION:** Trustee Tia Cherry made a motion to approve the policy amendments and procedures listed on the agenda with 4210P having “option 1.” The motion was seconded by Trustee Coy Crapo. All “ayes”, motion carried.

4-Spring Sports Schedules: Superintendent Stutzman recommended to approve the spring sports schedules for North Fremont and South Fremont.

**MOTION:** Trustee JayLee Packer made motion to approve the spring sports schedules for North and South Fremont. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tia Cherry. All “ayes”, motion carried.

5-Purchase Skid Steer N.F. & S.F.: Superintendent Stutzman said he sent a new quote to the board from Case today, but Bobcat is still the recommended choice. The first quote wasn’t an equal machine to the Bobcat machine, so he had Tyler get a quote from Case that was equal. Superintendent Stutzman gave the quote specs on the Bobcat and compared it to the Case. The Bobcat quote is \$53,340.24 and the Case \$55,900. The quote for the Bobcat is from a dealership in Dillon, and the Case from Rexburg. There will be a Bobcat dealership opening in Idaho Falls under a new owner. He recommended making the purchase.

There was discussion about buying local instead of from Dillon because of the expense of travel for warranty work, and what to do with the two older Bobcats currently used.

Superintendent Stutzman said the Dillon store could transfer the sale of the Bobcats to the Idaho Falls store.

**MOTION:** Trustee Coy Crapo made a motion to buy one of each. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tia Cherry. All “ayes”, motion carried.

6-Snow Closure North & South 2-22-22, NFHS & AEM 3-9-22: Superintendent Stutzman said we must do paperwork to the state, so those days don’t count against attendance/enrollment. It needs to be approved by the board. He recommended approving those snow closure dates.

**MOTION:** Trustee Julianne Hill made a motion to approve the snow closures on 2-22-22 and 3-9-22. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tia Cherry. All “ayes”, motion carried.

7-Request for Qualification: Superintendent Stutzman said we sent the RFQ to legal counsel, and they were okay with it. This is a draft, so any changes you want to make can be made. My recommendation is to move

forward, so we can get companies to submit their RFQ's. We can then review and decide who you want to be your Construction Manager/General Contractor.

There was discussion to advertise and then put together a selection/construction committee with administrators, community members and board members. The committee makes a recommendation to the board, and the board can approve or not. It's advertised and then there's a pre-proposal meeting and the board looks for companies who are potentially interested in fulfilling the role. The board would prioritize which projects to do. There isn't a financial obligation until the CMGC starts consulting with the board.

**MOTION:** Trustee Julianne Hill made a motion that we accept the proposed Request for Qualification. The motion was seconded by Chairman Jon Bailey. All "ayes", motion carried.

Discussion Items:

Superintendent's Report:

1-Hali had the chance to attend the ISBA regional clerks' meeting at Jefferson School District.

2-Tyler is working to find someone who has experience in building a softball field. As the snow comes off that field, we want to be able to get on it and begin work so that we get the field completed by fall, and the team can use it next year. I probably will need your approval on expenditures once I get a cost.

3- Kudos to the special services and federal programs department. We had our federal audit and there were very few findings. The few findings were minimal issues.

4-Currently our mileage rate for reimbursement is \$0.435 and the state and federal rate is \$0.585 per mile. We had an instance where a teacher took some students in a van, and the rate did not pay for the gas. Generally, the districts I have been in have adopted the federal and state mileage rate minus \$0.10 I will make that adjustment to the rate to reflect the change.

5-I have been talking with Drex about getting him some administrative help, and I believe we can work to make that happen for next year. Once Drex and I get the details worked out, I will bring the proposal to you for your action.

Future Agenda Items:

School Closure Policy

Board Committee RFQ

Community Fieldhouse

Parker Elementary School Closure

Superintendent's Evaluation

Executive Session: Superintendent's Evaluation. Trustee Tia Cherry made a motion to go into executive session for Employee Evaluation & Complaints I.C. 74-206(1) (b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student. The motion was seconded by Trustee Julianne Hill. Roll call vote, Trustee Cherry "aye", Trustee Packer "aye", Trustee Bailey "aye", Trustee Hill "aye", Trustee Crapo "aye".

Went into executive session at 7:17 p.m.

**MOTION:** Trustee Tia Cherry made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Coy Crapo. All "ayes", motion carried.

Came out of executive session at 8:38 p.m.

Superintendent Stutzman's evaluation and administrator's contracts were discussed in executive session.

**MOTION:** Trustee Tia Cherry made a motion to approve the administrator's contracts. The motion was seconded by JayLee Packer. All "ayes", motion carried.

Trustee JayLee Packer made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.