

Frontier Regional School Committee Meeting  
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Tuesday, November 12, 2019

MINUTES

Present: Chair Robert Halla, Robert Decker, III, Philip Kantor, Bill Smith, Keith McFarland, Judy Pierce, Damien Fosnot, Olivia Leone, Mary Ramon; Principal George Lanides; Assistant Director of School Facilities William, Director of Business Administration Shelley Poreda; and Superintendent Darius Modestow

Absent: Lyn Roberts, Ashley Dion

Chair Robert Halla called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

On a motion from Robert Decker III, and a second from Philip Kantor, the Minutes of October 8, 2019 were approved 8-1-2.

Shelley Poreda presented the Financial Statement. There were 27 warrants totaling \$2,104,262.31.

The treasurer search is still open but will likely be re-posted.

On a motion from Philip Kantor, and a second from William Smith, the committee agreed to allow the Director of Business Administration and the Superintendent to identify a candidate that can begin work contingent to the approval of the committee at the December meeting. Approved 9-0-2.

E & D has been certified at \$518,869 as of November 12, 2019.

The preliminary budget timeline for the FY21 was presented and discussed.

There was no Public Comment.

#### Student Advisory Council Report - Maddie Leone

Student Council members will participate in a Western Mass Student Council meeting at Greenfield on Friday. They are also starting a Holiday Drive and considering new ways for students to participate. Spirit Week in October was successful. Finally the council started a new club called Interact which will be working at Wilson's in Greenfield.

Under Unfinished Business, Superintendent Modestow updated the committee on the Capital Plan.

The subcommittee has met once and will meet again on November 13th. The FRCOG procurement officer will be at the next meeting to discuss the procurement process.

#### Under New Business:

- a. Student Trip to Spain (2021) – Kevin Murphy – Tabled until next year

- b. Student Trip to Washington, DC, March 21-March 25, 2020 – Alison Walters, AP Government and AP Euro. On a motion from William Smith , seconded by Philip Kantor, the 2020 Washington DC student trip was approved on a vote of 9-0-2.
- c. Budget Timeline – The FY21 Budget Timeline was presented as part of the Director of Business Administration report. On a motion from Judy Pierce, with a second from Olivia Leone, the FY21 Budget Timeline as presented was approved 9-0-2.
- d. School Improvement Plan – The 2019-2020 School Improvement Plan was presented. On a motion from Robert Decker, III, seconded by Williamn Smith, the 2019-2020 School Improvement Plan was approved on a vote of 9-0-2.
- e. Capital Projects update was discussed under unfinished business.
- f. Paper vs. Digital – Superintendent Modestow spoke to the proposed process. Things presented to the committee in advance of a meeting will be sent electronically. Items presented in meetings, or updates to items presented electronically, will be presented as paper copies in meetings.
- g. Hiring of Treasurer - Tabled due to withdrawal of candidate to be presented to the School Committee. Additional updates were provided during the Director of Business Administration report.

Under Reports:

- a. Committee/Chairman: none presented
- b. The Collaborative: none presented
- c. Principal: enclosed
- d. Superintendent: Special recognition was given to Jeremy Rogers for 20 years of teaching and Diana Capuano for 23 years at Frontier.

On a motion from William Smith and a second from Philip Kantor the committee agreed to adjourn at 7:55 pm. Approved 9-0-2.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Pierce, Recording Secretary

Summary of Documents Presented:

1. Minutes of October 8, 2019
2. Employment List
3. Monthly Financial Report
4. FY21 Budget Timeline
5. School Improvement Plan
6. Principal's Report
7. Employment List