

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Frontier Regional School Media Center
South Deerfield, MA 01373

Present: Chair Robert Halla, Judy Pierce, William Smith, Cyndie Ouimette, Lyn Roberts, Keith McFarland, Robert Decker, III, Philip Kantor, Mary Ramon, Damien Fosnot, Olivia Leone, Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow, Interim Principal George Lanides, and TMS Representative Judy Houle

Absent: None

Others Present: Sarah Mitchell, Director of Secondary Education

Chair Robert Halla called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow presented the M.A.S.S Student Academic Excellence Award to Senior Emily Laus and shared with the committee a list of her contributions to the cultural, social, academic, and athletic community at Frontier.

On a motion from Cyndie Ouimette, and a second from William Smith, the Minutes of December 11, 2018 were approved 11-0-0.

Judy Houle presented 12 warrants totaling \$ 1,342,370.37.

There WAS NO Public Comment.

Reports:

Student Advisory Council – no report presented.

Frontier Regional Building Renovation Subcommittee

Interim Superintendent Modestow presented the committee with an updated Frontier Regional Capital Plan.

Request that Interim Superintendent Modestow send notice to the Select Board Chair of each town informing them that the Frontier Regional School Committee intends to put forth a borrowing authorization in the amount of \$1,826,664 at a January 22, 2019 Special Meeting of the Frontier Regional School Committee to support the Frontier Regional Capital Plan.

Unfinished Business:

Student Trip – 8th grade, Washington, DC, February 25-March 1, 2019. Vote taken (below).

Frontier Regional School Capital Plan (see Reports above).

Updated on 219 Christian Lane – records/documents storage. All files are now in house to be managed by current staff.

Update on alternative posting method. The State has sent notice to confirm that the website is the official posting site for the Regional School Committee.

On a motion from Robert Decker, III, and a second from William Smith, the 8th grade student trip to Washington, DC, February 25-March 1, 2019 was approved 11-0-0.

No vote was taken on the Frontier Regional Capital Plan. The vote was tabled to January 22, 2019 for the Frontier Regional School Committee Special Meeting (see Reports above).

New Business:

Interim Principal George Lanides and Director of Secondary Education Sarah Mitchell presented the Adjusted High School Schedule Plan.

Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow presented information on the substitute teacher pay rate.

On a motion from Robert Decker, III, and a second from William Smith, the new substitute teacher pay rate of \$80 per day was approved 11-0-0.

Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow presented information on the certification of sale of 219 Christian Lane.

On a motion from Robert Decker, III, and a second from Olivia Leone, to authorize Philip Kantor, Member of the Frontier Regional School District Committee, to execute, on behalf of the Frontier Regional and Union 38 School Districts, a quitclaim deed and all other documents necessary to transfer the real property located at 219 Christian Lane, Lot 2, Whately, MA to Whately School House, LLC for One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) was unanimously approved.

Interim Superintendent Darius Modestow presented information on the 2018 NESDEC Enrollment Report.

William Smith informed the committee that the first meeting of the FY20 budget subcommittee was held January 8, 2019 and more information will be shared in future meetings.

Reports:

Committee/Chairman: no report presented.

The Collaborative: There will be a public budget subcommittee meeting, January 22, 2019, 8:00 am.

Interim Principal: Enclosed.

Interim Superintendent: Enclosed.

The committee did not enter into executive session.

On a motion from Robert Decker, III, and a second from William Smith, the meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Pierce, Recording Secretary

Summary of Documents Presented:

1. Minutes of December 11, 2018
2. Monthly Financial Report
3. Frontier Regional School Capital Plan
4. FY20 proposed budget
5. Principal's Report
6. Superintendent's Report
7. Monthly Enrollment
8. 2018 NESDEC Enrollment Report
9. Attorney General Alternative Posting Letter