

SCHOOL BOARD SUMMARY

Board Meeting of April 23, 2007

*The Mission of School District Fremont RE-1 is to develop
compassionate, responsible, independent, and productive citizens
through a quality education provided in a safe environment.*

Kudos:

Washington Students Raise Money for Tornado Relief:

The Board thanked **Washington students** for their recent fundraiser to aid victims of the tornado in Holly, CO. Led by the Student Dignitaries, a week-long change collection drive was organized, and resulted in the school being able to donate \$1,000 to the town of Holly. We appreciate our Washington students demonstrating our mission statement quality of compassion with this very successful campaign.

Pueblo Symphony Association Adopts CCHS:

On behalf of Cañon City High School the Board thanked the **Pueblo Symphony Association** for its “Adopt a Music Student Program”. This program will entitle two students to attend each of the 2007-08 six season concerts and pre-concert dinners.

Got Milk? Paula Buser Does!

Mrs. Paula Buser was recently awarded national recognition by the Milk Processor Education Program (MilkPEP). As Manager of Nutrition Services for Cañon City Schools, Paula took advantage of milk’s delicious new flavors and convenient plastic bottle packaging to put milk in the spotlight for our district’s students. She made milk available for school pizza parties, and worked with her Dairy Council to buy coolers with fun cow-print graphics. Thanks to her efforts to make milk an attractive healthy choice, milk consumption is up an extra 1200 bottles per day.

Information Items:

Paula Buser - Vending Update

Mrs. Paula Buser presented information to the Board about vending sales and nutritious food choices in the district. She is working with vendors to provide healthier choices in all the district snack and beverage machines. New and more visually attractive vending machines emphasizing healthy choices will be installed at several locations. To date, the healthier choices are being well received as evidenced by sales.

Textbook Adoptions – High School:

Ms. Carole Brown provided information about the textbook, Precalculus With Limits, which the high school Math Department has chosen for its textbook adoption. She also informed the Board about the Social Studies Department’s choice of America: A Narrative History, for the Advanced Placement United States History, and the English Department’s choice of the following four titles for the Advanced Placement English Language: The Bedford Reader, 50 Essays: A Portable Anthology, Everything’s an

Argument, and A Writer's Resource: A Handbook For Writing and Research. Although almost twice as many students as expected have signed up for the advanced placement courses, some of the textbooks can be purchased using this year's money. The textbook adoption for these will be on the agenda for the Board's approval at the May 14th meeting.

Revisions to Board Policies (Files 547 and 616):

Director of Business Services, Mr. Buddy Lambrecht, presented proposed new language to update existing board policies, File 547 – Vacation Leave (for full-time certificated administrative and managerial employees) and File 616 – Vacation Leave (for full-time twelve-month employees)

Board Members' Reports:

- In addition to participating in bargaining and attending district performances, **Honey Moschetti** enjoyed judging public speaking events at the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) State Conference in Vail, CO.
- **John Evans** also participated in bargaining and attended several baseball games.
- **Ken Cline** enjoyed the play at CCHS and reported attending the National School Board Association's Conference in San Francisco April 14 – 17. He noted being very appreciative of his hometown schools and students after networking with other board members from around the nation.
- **Charlene Seaney** reported visiting the high school and Harrison. She also enjoyed the play at the high school and participated in certified bargaining.
- **Garnet Wilcox** also enjoyed the play at the high school, participated in classified bargaining, and visited Skyline Elementary.

Action Items:

The Board Approved:

- Revisions to the course offerings in middle school math including the approval of textbook purchase Course I for use in most sixth grade classes.
- The settlement agreement with CTL Thompson resulting from geotechnical errors made for the Skyline Addition/Remodel project that resulted in a Change Order to the School District.

Miscellaneous Business:

- Dr. Gooldy reported on his experience of testifying before the Legislature earlier in the day on the subject of SB 199 regarding school funding. He explained what being one of the lowest-funded school districts in the state meant to students, defining what goods and services our students must do without due to our low funding level.