

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DISTRICT FREMONT RE-1 BOARD OF
EDUCATION HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, LOCATED IN THE CENTRAL
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 101 N. 14TH STREET, CAÑON CITY, COLORADO
5:30 p.m., November 10, 2014**

I. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

President, **Mike Near**, called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. Roll Call:

Secretary, **Lloyd Harwood**, called roll.

Present: **Mike Near**, President; **Larry Oddo**, Vice-President; **Lloyd Harwood**, Secretary; **Shad Johnson**, Treasurer; and **Mary Kay Evans**, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

Also present: Director of Human Resources, **Misty Manchester**; Director of Business Services, **L. F. "Buddy" Lambrecht**; Director of Student Services, **Dominic Carochi**; Director of Special Services, **Kirsten Javernick**; Director of Support Services, **Paula Buser**; and Chief Information Officer, **Shaun Kohl**.

II. General Business

A. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Lambrecht announced the following changes to the agenda:

D. 3. b. Substitute Lists For Classified Positions

D. 3. c. Appointments

Lloyd Harwood made a motion to accept the as agenda amended. Larry Oddo seconded the motion. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.

B. Awards and Kudos

1. St. Thomas More Foundation

Buddy Lambrecht shared that St. Thomas More Health Foundation (STMHF) and Foundation President, Shirley Baney, presented Canon City Schools with over \$34,000 in health and wellness funds for use during SY2014-15 for improvements like new laptops to run heart rate monitor software with students during Physical Education classes, new activity equipment, health education resources, safety and security equipment, an outdoor shade structure, ECHO screenings and the ACCESS program, Comprehensive Health Education standards-based learning opportunities, and support for the pilot of a community-based, from-scratch cooking program in partnership with The Kitchen Pantry in downtown Canon City. These monies were appreciated by all of the departments who received the assistance. We are very grateful to have a wonderful relationship with our local STMHF and Shirley Baney as strong community health partners in Fremont County. We would like to thank Shirley for her continuous efforts to ensure that money goes back into the community in which her Foundation serves to enhance the health and wellness of all people.

Kristi Elliott added her thanks to Shirley and commented on the great working relationship they have.

Shad Johnson shared that Shirley and the Health Foundation was incredibly generous with not only the Health and Wellness program but the Spirit Fun Fest as well.

- C. Any person who has submitted a written request prior to the meeting may express views concerning school district programs and policies. Comments of a critical or negative nature regarding any employee are not allowed.

Gloria Decker spoke on the Common Core and APUSH (Advanced Placement Unites States History).

- D. Consent Agenda:

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and approval is with one motion. If a Board member or a citizen requests separate discussion of an item, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

1. Approval of the Minutes of October, 28, 2014
2. Approval of the Following Financial Reports:
 - a. Financial Disbursement Report For the Period Ending November 5, 2014
3. Approval of the Following Personnel Reports:
 - a. Terminations and Leaves
 - b. Substitute Lists For Classified Positions

Lloyd Harwood moved and Mary Kay Evans seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.

- E. Staff Report

1. INFORMATION ITEMS:

The following items are presented for information only unless otherwise noted or if a Board member has a question.

a. ASHA (American School Health Assn.) National Conference:

Mrs. Kristi Elliott reported on the national conference that was held in Portland, Oregon October 8-12.

Buddy Lambrecht reported that six staff members from Fremont County attended the 88th Annual American School Health Association Conference in Portland, OR October 9-11, 2014. The five RE-1 attendees were: Nick Carochi, Adam Hartman, Sarah Ley, Brandon Hopper, and Kristi Elliott. The one RE-2 attendee was: Heidi Forward-Kraft. Our multi-district Comprehensive Health Education grant from CDE paid for these people to attend to learn more on Administration, Coordination, & Leadership; Programs & Services; Research & Emerging Issues; and Teaching & Learning. The group felt that it was a powerful conference that definitely will reshape strategy and structure in health and wellness initiatives and standards-based instruction in Fremont County schools. As partners working together for healthy learning, the group plans to continue their valiant efforts to promote and enhance school health.

Kristi Elliott introduced the staff members who attended and added that it was a really great experience. She said they attended some great sessions and they plan to go back to the schools and share their learning. Colorado was well represented and the conference and our district as well.

Buddy Lambrecht added that the team has really done a lot for our staff, RE-2 and RE-3.

b. Kelly Albrecht – 7th grade at CES:

The CES 7th Grade (CES MS) shared some of their activities and accomplishments from first quarter including:

- Overnight camping trip to Camp Jackson YMCA campground in San Isabel where students participated in High and Low Ropes, Archery, Survival Skills and Orienteering
- Trail building as part of the Hogbacks Restoration Project
- Fundraising by earning tips while waiting tables at Pizza Madness
- “Spirits of Canon City” collaborative history project with the Royal Gorge Regional Museum and History Center
- A collaborative geology project with Dan Grenard and a group of local volunteer geologists about fossils and the Western Interior Seaway
- The implementation of Springboard Math and ELA
- Mentoring younger students at CES
- French classes

Kelly Albrecht and student Allison Lancaster took turns sharing many of the learning experiences from the first quarter. Allison was excited to announce that they will begin their Community Service. They will be doing group community projects as well as individual projects in the community.

Beth Gaffney commented that the 7th grade classroom has worked their tails off. She reported that it was so much fun to go in the classroom because the "Classroom is alive!" She commended Kelly Albrecht for bringing a vision to life and fulfilling the School Board's expectations.

c. FY 2014-14 Financial Audit:

Director of Business Services, Mr. Buddy Lambrecht, and Mr. Tom Sistare of Hoelting and Company presented information about the Financial Audit for Fiscal Year 2013-14.

Buddy Lambrecht commented that the audit is due to the School Board by the end of November for approval. The District received an Unmodified (clean) Opinion on the audit. The financial statements are presented fairly and accurately represent the financial position of the District.

Tom Sistare thanked Buddy and his staff for getting things ready for the audit. The audit went fairly smooth without any big surprises or issues.

Buddy Lambrecht thanked the auditors commenting on what a great group of people they are and expressed gratitude that they are here to help us do things properly.

The audit report will be available for public view under the Financial Transparency link on the school website.

d. Student Count:

Mrs. Yvonne Weiser, Accounting Manager for Cañon City Schools, presented information on the 2014-15 student count process and findings.

Yvonne Weiser stated that the student count has been submitted and awaiting approval by CDE. The count shows that the district has 3630.5 students which is down 12.5 students from last year. When asked about the .5 student, she explained the student count is based on full-time or half-time funding.

Yvonne Weiser expressed her thanks to Elizabeth Gamache for all her assistance with the student count. Elizabeth had started working on information and with school secretaries very early to make sure the information was correct in the system.

2. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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F. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mike Near opened with thanking Paula Buser for coming back to RE-1.

Dominic Carochi shared that the GATE program had just completed a 5 year audit. The audit found no problems and identified it as a Premier program. Mr. Carochi congratulated Mr. Adam Hartman and his staff.

Mary Kay Evans shared that she had attended the Regional CASB meeting. She reported that attendees saw a lot of common issues. She came back with the message that it is important for school boards to set priorities and goals. The biggest advice that she received was that school boards need to be informed and connect with other boards and CASB. She added that board members need to go to the Capital and let them know what is going on. The next date for our region to go to the Capital is Feb. 18th, but she emphasized that members need to go to as many as they can. Lloyd Harwood added that the Capital visit last year was very beneficial.

Lloyd Harwood shared that the Pops Concert was being held at 7:00 p.m. and was planning to attend. He also reported that he went to the play last week and enjoyed it very much.

III. Review of Board Policies

A. POLICIES:

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IV. Old Business

A. ACTION ITEMS:

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V. New Business

A. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 Audited Financial Statements:

It was recommended that the Board approve the fiscal year 2013-14 financial audit as presented.

Shad Johnson made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2013-14 financial audit as presented. Larry Oddo seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

2. Cancellation of School Board Meeting:

It was recommended that the Board approve cancellation of the School Board Meeting on the fourth Monday of November – November 24, 2014.

Larry Oddo made a motion to approve the cancellation of the November 24th School Board Meeting. Lloyd Harwood seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

3. Fire Alarm Modification:

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the modification of a strobe/horn fire alarm in room 5 of Washington Elementary to a horn-only fire alarm.

Mary Kay Evans made a motion to approve the modification of a strobe/horn fire alarm in room 5 of Washington Elementary to a horn-only fire alarm. Larry Oddo seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

VI. Miscellaneous Business

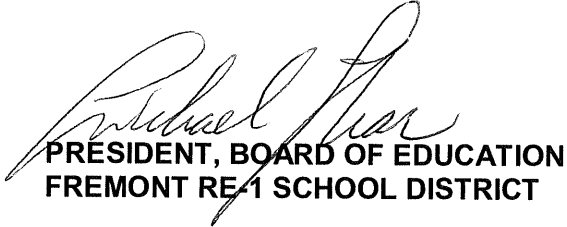
VII. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Near called for a motion to adjourn.

Lloyd Harwood moved to adjourn the meeting. Larry Oddo seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



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