

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DISTRICT FREMONT RE-1 BOARD OF
EDUCATION HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, LOCATED HARRISON K-8 SCHOOL,
920 FIELD AVE., CAÑON CITY, COLORADO
5:30 p.m., MARCH 27, 2023**

I. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

President, **Robin Reeser**, 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, **Molly Merry**, called roll.

Present: **Robin Reeser**, President; **Mike Near**, Vice-President; **Molly Merry**, Secretary; **Todd Albrecht**, Treasurer; and **Janelle Valladares**, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

Also present: Superintendent, **Adam Hartman**.

Director of Human Resources, **Jamie Davis**; Director of Support Services, **Paula Buser**; Director of Special Services, **Tim Renn**; Chief Financial Officer, **Heidi Anderson**; Director of Technology, **Shaun Kohl**; Director of Curriculum and Assessment, **Brian Zamarripa**; Director of Operations, **Scott Morton**.

II. General Business

A. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Hartman announced the following changes to the agenda:

II.C.3.b. Terms – Addition

Mike Near made a motion to accept the agenda as amended. Todd Albrecht seconded the motion. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.

B. Awards and Kudos

1. Falcons of the Month:

The Board and CCMS would like to recognize Penelope LeDoux as Falcon of the month for January and Andres Pacheco and Faith Burke as Falcons of the Month for February.

Penelope is a 7th grader and has lived in Cañon City her whole life. Her group of friends and the outdoor activities are some of her favorite things about Cañon City. What she likes most about school are sports and her friends. Penelope is looking forward to a block schedule in high school and having fewer subjects. When asked what she would like to be, she said maybe a doctor and hopes to live on a beach somewhere. Penelope hopes she is remembered for her great tenacity and that she was very persistent in everything she did.

Faith Burke is an 8th grader born in Denver and moved to Cañon City this year. Faith was asked what her favorite thing about Cañon City is and what she likes most about school, and she said, "Everything!". Faith said the river is awesome, the mountains are great, and the outdoors. In high

school, she looks forward to going to school with her sister and cousin and trying tennis. Faith would like to give a shout-out to her teachers for helping her become the awesome student she is now.

Andres Pacheco is in 8th grade and was born in New Mexico and he has lived in Texas, New Mexico, and Colorado. He likes that Cañon City is a small town with easy-to-find destinations. What he likes most about school is the nice people, and it is a safe place. He looks forward to the clubs, sports, and extra opportunities in high school. Andres hopes to work in construction or become a welder. He hopes people remember that he was always happy and joyful.

2. Speech and Debate:

The Board and CCHS recognized the following Speech and Debate students for their achievements this year:

Brianna Heifner, Coach

State Placers:

Brooke Watley, 2nd in US Extemp

Mason Lipper, 9th in International Extemp

Chloe Martin, 10th in Humor Interpretation

Nationals attendees:

Brooke Watley, 1st place finisher in Congressional Debate

Mason Lipper in Supplemental Events

David Repar in Supplemental Events

National Individual Event Tournament of Champions Attendee:

Brooke Watley in Extemp

C. 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 February 27, 2023
2. Approval of the following Financial Reports:
3. Approval of the Following Personnel Reports:
 - a. Appointments
 - b. Terminations and Leaves
 - c. Supplementals
 - d. Substitute Lists for Licensed and Classified Positions

Molly Merry moved and Mike Near seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.

D. 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. SOP: IJOA -A – Field Trips – Presented to the Board for Information
– Update to current SOP from Director of Support Services, Paula Buser

2. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. Student Presentations:

Robotics Club is a team-oriented club in which students work together to build robots and program them. The Robotics Club is offered at Harrison for 3rd to 8th grades. Fifth grade student Liam said he has learned how to code and write commands for robots. He demonstrated programming the robot playing a melody, moving 30 meters, changing the color of the lights, making the robot dance and talk.

Third grade student, Cecily said she enjoys the Robotics Club and has enjoyed learning how to code. She demonstrated by reading a story.

E. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Janelle Valladares attended the end-of-year CCHS Dance Team Showcase. She said it's wonderful to have a school district that attracted the Dance Team coach, Makenzie Konty, back to our community. Makenzie grew up in our town, and she's pouring everything into students inside and outside the classroom.

Todd Albrecht and Molly Merry attended the Fremont Economic Development Corporation's monthly meeting, where Superintendent Adam Hartman presented on Instructional Review. Mr. Albrecht said he was very proud to watch Mr. Hartman present and said he always leads with compassion and integrity, even in difficult, challenging situations, and we're very fortunate.

Molly Merry said she wanted to draw some attention to the amazing work our district does to keep our students and staff safe and secure in our buildings. Ms. Merry thanked the Director of Support Services, Paula Buser, Brian Vanlwarden, Jamie Murray, School Resource Officers, Counselors, and the great work they do with kids, all leadership and all staff, and Adam Hartman for his leadership.

Mike Near thanked Eddie Basham as part of the safety group.

Robin Reeser spent a lot of time on the calendar and thanked everyone involved for their dedication. The Board also attended a Spring Visioning Retreat reviewed norms and set goals.

F. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Under General Business on the Board of Education agenda, the public is able to address the Board regarding any policy or program of the school district. Your voice matters and is heard. However, please know you may

not receive an immediate response during this meeting. **Comments of a negative or critical nature regarding any employee are not allowed in the Regular Board Session. Such discussions will take place in Executive Session.** Each speaker will be limited to five minutes. Discussion of a specific topic will normally be limited to no more than four speakers, or 20 minutes total. Additionally, requests to address the Board must be submitted to the Secretary of the Board prior to the start of the meeting. Please also know you are able to submit a written overview of your thoughts if you so wish.

No one present wished to address the board.

G. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

One of the public speakers presented some questions around SEL. Our Behavioral Health Coordinator and Wellness Coordinator will have a presentation to answer those questions during the April 10th Board Meeting.

CASB (Colorado Association of School Boards) gives recommendations to school boards when the law changes. They use language like "must" or "may." Often, you will see that a policy is the same in school districts because they've already done the legal work with the law. CASB also provides support for districts when they are looking for a new superintendent, and they provide support and a "welcome to the role" to new board members. Canon City Schools is a part of the CASB and was for years before Adam. Each CASB member can send a voting delegate to the annual Delegate Assembly, and it does not matter the school district's size; each delegate vote counts the same.

A lot of work went into the calendar, and Mr. Hartman thanked directors for their work. The Board and Calendar Committee reviewed many data sources. The calendar is a hybrid calendar (alternates from 4 to 5 days) with full-day Fridays, which increases instruction. Mr. Hartman signed an MOU from the Association, and the Board was presented with an action item during the March 27th Board Meeting. The Board of Education intends for the calendar to run for the next three years.

III. Review of Board Policies

A. POLICIES:

1.

File IKE – Ensuring All Students Meet Standards (Promotion, Retention and Acceleration of Students) – Presented to the Board for 2nd Reading and Final Vote – Update to current policy from CCHS Principal, Bill Summers

Mike Near made a motion to approve File – IKE – Ensuring All Student Meet Standards (Promotion, Retention, and Acceleration of Students) – Presented for 2nd Reading and Final Vote. Molly Merry seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

2. File DJ/DJA – Purchasing Authority – Presented to the Board for 2nd Reading and Final Vote – Update to current policy from Director of IT, Shaun Kohl

Todd Albrecht made a motion to approve File DJ/DJA– Purchasing Authority – Presented for 2nd Reading and Final Vote. Mike Near seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

3. File DJE – Bidding Procedures – Presented to the Board for 2nd Reading and Final Vote – Update to current policy from Director of IT, Shaun Kohl

Todd Albrecht made a motion to approve File – DJE – Bidding Procedures – Presented for 2nd Reading and Final Vote. Mike Near seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

4. File GDA – Support Staff Positions – Presented to the Board for Information – Update to current policy from HR Director, Jamie Davis

IV. Old Business

- A. ACTION ITEMS:

V. New Business

- A. ACTION ITEMS:

1. It is recommended the Board approve out-of-state travel for one student of Speech and Debate to travel to Chanhassen, Minnesota for the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions from May 12, 2023 – May 14, 2023.

Todd Albrecht made a motion to approve. Mike Near seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

2. It is recommended the Board approve out-of-state travel for three students of Speech and Debate to travel to Phoenix, Arizona for the National Speech and Debate Tournament from June 11, 2023 – June 17, 2023.

Todd Albrecht made a motion to approve. Janelle Valladares seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

3. It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed Cañon City Schools calendar for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Todd Albrecht made a motion to approve. Molly Merry seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

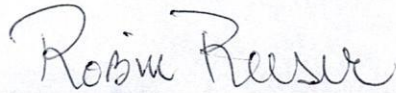
VI. Miscellaneous Business

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.



**SECRETARY, BOARD OF EDUCATION
FREMONT RE-1 SCHOOL DISTRICT**



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