

**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., August 8, 2022**

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, **Beth Gaffney**, called roll.

Present: **Robin Reeser**, President; **Beth Gaffney**, Secretary; **Todd Albrecht**, Treasurer; and **Molly Merry**, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

Mike Near, Vice-President joined by phone.

Also present: Superintendent, **Adam Hartman**; Attorney, **Melissa Barber**; Director of Human Resources, **Jamie Davis**; Director of Support Services, **Paula Buser**; Chief Financial Officer, **Heidi Anderson**; Director of Technology, **Shaun Kohl**; Director of Curriculum and Assessment, **Brian Zamarripa**.

Director of Operations, **Scott Morton** attended from CCMS virtually.

II. General Business

A. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Hartman announced the following changes to the agenda:

II.C.3.a. Appointments – Addition

II.C.3.b. Terminations and Leaves – Addition

II.C.3.c. Supplemental Contracts

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

B. Awards and Kudos

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 July 25, 2022

2. Approval of the Following Financial Reports:

a. Disbursement Report for the Period Ending August 3, 2022

Quarterly Budget Report for the Period Ending June 30, 2022

3. Approval of the Following Personnel Reports:
 - a. Appointments
 - b. Terminations and Leaves
 - c. Supplemental Contracts
 - d. Substitute Lists for Licensed and Classified Positions

Molly Merry moved and Todd Albrecht 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.

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2. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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E. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Molly Merry thanked Directors, Principals, Grounds, Maintenance, Custodians, Nutrition Services, Warehouse, Bus Garage, Administration Office, and every Secretary in every building for the intense amount of work they put into getting our schools ready to welcome each and every child for the new school year.

Beth Gaffney said the Cañon City High School parking lot looks amazing and thanked Jeff Peterson, Scott Morton, Mr. Hartman, the Finance Department, and the folks who worked so hard to get this completed in a short amount of time.

Todd Albrecht was a driver for the Certified Orientation Scavenger Hunt for teachers new to our community. He said it was wonderful to hear their enthusiasm about being a part of our family now. He also joined a mixer at the Winery for new staff and their mentors.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Before taking Public Comment, Attorney Melissa Barber from Caplan and Earnest provided a brief overview of the laws applicable to the district with respect to the students who are transgender.

In light of higher-than-normal attendance expected at this meeting, the Board publicized and provided an advanced sign-up sheet for all persons wishing to address the Board at this meeting. Based on the large number of persons already signed up to speak, the Board is not able to accommodate additional citizen comment at this meeting. However, the Board will review comments submitted in writing. Please know that speakers may not receive an immediate response during this meeting.

Ashley Mulso – Transgender Policy

Doug Koehn – Transgender Policy
Mary-Ellen Maynard – Transgender Policy
Dr. Lisa Pearson – Transgender Policy
Norma Morehead – Transgender Policy
Marc Thompson – Transgender Policy
Dr. Janet Bendell – Transgender Policy
Lois Kaplan – Transgender Policy
Jessi Daman – Transgender Policy
Helen Cooney – Transgender Policy
Chris Moffett – Transgender Policy
John Hamrick – Transgender Policy
Janelle Valladares – Transgender Policy
Judy Sterner – Transgender Policy
George Goodwin – Transgender Policy
Sean Meagher – Transgender Policy
Jennille Spellman – Transgender Policy
Gwyne Morehead- Smith – Transgender Policy
Aaron Wolking – Transgender Policy
Ginnie Chairez – Transgender Policy
Cindy Nordell – Transgender Policy
Chad Kooiman – Transgender Policy
Jeanna Chambers – Transgender Policy
Jeana Nelson – Transgender Policy
Abraham Medina – Transgender Policy
Chris Koehn – Transgender Policy
Sarah Fisher – Transgender Policy
Chris Fisher – Transgender Policy
Casey Maas – Transgender Policy
Ann Kowalczyk – Transgender Policy
Craig Hayden – Transgender Policy
Vicki Reed – Transgender Policy
Chuck Reed – Transgender Policy
Roger Pennington – Transgender Policy
Levi Newcomb – Transgender Policy
Mandy Reed – Transgender Policy
Lana Parks – Transgender Policy
Elizabeth Cornella – Transgender Policy
Luke Eastman – Transgender Policy
Grace Eastman – Transgender Policy
Kay Hunsaker – Transgender Policy
Melinda Roberts – Transgender Policy
Jimmy Sellars – Transgender Policy
Toni Pierce – Transgender Policy
Burt Corley – Transgender Policy
Deb Crippen – Menefee – Transgender Policy
Lynn Crippen-Menefee – Transgender Policy

The Board thanked the speakers for their thoughts and opinions regarding the draft policy AC-E3. The proposed policy was born out a need to support students, a desire to provide guidance to our school leaders and adherence to state and federal laws. The Board endeavored upon the three-step approval process used for all policies, which included the first read on July 25th. The Board tabled the policy on August 1, 2022 after hearing clearly that the Board needed to engage the community. The August 8th Board Meeting gave the Board and opportunity to hear a wide myriad of thoughts and opinions.

III. Review of Board Policies

A. POLICIES:

1. File JICA – Student Dress Code – Presented for 1st Reading and 1st Vote

Todd Albrecht made a motion to approve File JICA – Student Dress Code – Presented for 1st Reading and 1st Vote. Molly Merry seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

IV. Old Business

A. ACTION ITEMS:

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V. New Business

A. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Requesting Authorization of the Execution and Delivery of Site Lease, a Lease Purchase Agreement, and Related Documents

It is recommended that the Board take consideration and possible adoption of a resolution of the Board of Education of School District Fremont RE-1, authorizing the execution and delivery of a site lease, a lease purchase agreement, and related documents by the district; approving the forms of related documents; and providing for other matters relating thereto.

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

VI. Miscellaneous Business

- VII. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b), the Board will convene in executive session for the purpose of conferring with the attorney for the Board to receive advice on specific legal questions concerning compliance with nondiscrimination laws.

Todd Albrecht moved that the Board go into Executive Session as per CRS 24-6-402(4)(b). Molly Merry seconded the motion. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.

Mr. Adam Hartman and Ms. Kristen Solano were invited to the Executive Session. The Board entered Executive Session at 8:06 p.m. and returned at 9:04 p.m.

Adjournment

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

Todd Albrecht moved to adjourn the meeting. Molly Merry seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.



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