

**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #265
November 9, 2020 - 6:30 PM**

Farmington Central High School Research Center
310 N. Lightfoot Road - Farmington, IL. 61531

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice President Oldfield. Roll Call.

Blunier	Brewer	Faralli	Mahr	Oldfield	Slack	Zessin
	Present	Present Remotely	Present	Present	Present	Present

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Uptmor presented his students of the month – FCJH Superheros

- 6th Grade - Tyson Marvel & Bailey Emmons
- 7th Grade - Kyle Miller and Maddy Lettow
- 8th Grade - Jerrett Fauser & Sterling Anderson

Mr. McMillin presented the FCHS Students of the month:

- Riley Reed - Senior
- Reece Putrich - Junior
- Sam Gronewold - Sophomore
- Rylan Barton – Freshman

Orange Frog Recipients: Kari Franzoni and Angela Barth

Strategic Planning Committee members were recognized for their contribution. They met on October 16 and 17 to long term plan for the future. Members of the committee were: Wayne Wrage, Patrick O’Brian, Nic Stevens, Deanna Hoopingarner, Larry Ulm, Chief Darsham, Sarah Perardi, Ryan Lambert, Ann Riccioni, Ronda Wiesbrock, Abby Simaytis, Jeff Ossman, and Kelly Brewer

Motion by Alex Slack, second by Kelly Brewer, to approve the consent agenda Items 1-6. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

1. Minutes from Open meeting of October 13, 2020
2. Bills
3. Financial Report as of October 13, 2020
4. Treasurer’s Report as of October 30, 2020
5. Destruction of Verbatim Minutes May 2019
6. Correspondence

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Presentations: Mr. Toby Vallas presented the Annette Gioannini grant recipients. The grants totalled \$12,654 and were used on a wide variety of items (document cameras, online subscriptions, headphones, engineering, calculators, etc.).

Mr. Travis Busche joined the meeting on-line to introduce his human resource service company and the type of services included. They consult on unemployment claims, employment procedures and policies, substitute training, screening of independent contractors, provide an on-line employee training platform, risk management and insurance (which would include facilitating bidding out for health or property casualty insurance). They also have a background screening service.

Dr. Chatterton presented the tentative tax levy information to the board. He is projecting an overall rate decrease of 6.05%. With no further discussion, motion by Kelly Brewer, second by BJ Oldfield to approve Resolution 110920 for the tentative 2020 Tax Levy. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried at 7:12 p.m.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Mr. McMillin submitted for approval the 2021-2022 FCHS Course Catalog. The only noted change from last month is the time span used to determine the Top 10. The staff would like more time to review options before changing the current practice. Motion by Travis Mahr, second by Alex Slack to approve the 2021-2022 FCHS Course Catalog as presented. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Dr. Chatterton submitted the finalized Hanna City Intergovernmental Agreement regarding the TIF district. Motion by Ron Zessin, second by Dustin Blunier to approve the intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Hanna City as presented. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

IHSA Winter Sports: Dr. Chatterton and Mr. Flater reported that basketball has changed significantly within our state agencies of Illinois State Board of Education and the Illinois Department of Public Health as they have determined conditions are not favorable to play at this time. IHSA is allowing each school to determine whether to proceed with basketball during the winter season. As it stands, practice would begin on November 16 with games on November 30.

At 7:16 p.m. motion by Alex Slack, second by Ron Zessin to participate in the IHSA basketball season beginning November 16, 2020.

Discussion was held on the legal responsibilities, the insurance ramifications, the importance of student participation, and how many other schools would be participating began. Mr. Flater outlined the difference between the fall sports – outdoors and those mitigation efforts in comparison to indoor mitigations.

Motion by Kelly Brewer, second by BJ Oldfield to table the current action item (G4). Further discussion on a possible meeting the week of the 23rd to make a final decision. Dr. Chatterton will see if IDPH can further clarify, speak to the insurance agent again, get a better count of what other schools may be participating, and explore what types of masks could be used by the team. There was confusion as to what the tabling motion included – basketball in general including practices, or just the games? Mrs. Brewer indicated she meant for participation in games would be tabled until further information was received. It was suggested by Mr. Blunier to vote down the tabling motion and amend the original motion as he would like the students and general public to know the board is in support of participating in the basketball season with a matrix in place. Mr. Zessin called the motion to table to question and a vote was taken. Roll Call Vote: 2-5 motion to table action item G4 failed at 7:59 p.m.

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No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No

The board then discussed verbage of an amendment. Motion by Ron Zessin at 7:49 p.m., second by Kelly Brewer to word an amendment to the original motion to participate in the IHSA basketball season to begin on November 16 to: to participate in the IHSA basketball season starting on November 16 “with no competitions until further information is given to the Board”. Roll Call Vote: 5-2 Motion carried.

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*Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes

At 8:02 p.m. the original action item G4 is before the board – motion was made at 7:16 p.m. by Alex Slack, second by Ron Zessin is now amended to read “to participate in the IHSA basketball season starting on November 16, 2020 with no competitions until further information is given to the Board”. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*Yes

Discussion Items:

Code of Ethics # I will model continuous learning and work to ensure good governance by taking advantage of Board member development opportunities, such as those sponsored by my State and National school board associations, and encourage my fellow Board members to do the same.

Kay Faralli reported on the Curriculum Committee meeting October 29. See attached minutes.

Kelly Brewer reported on the Labor/Management meeting on November 4. See attached minutes.

Strategic Planning was discussed in the acknowledgements section of the meeting.

2020-2021 Amended Calendar for Second Semester: It was discussed with the arrival of the cold/flu season and the reduced opportunities to be outside with the students, have caused discussion to consider further mitigating strategies. While the desire is to continue in person learning 5 days a week, the district may need to consider a hybrid option where we would have in person learning available four days per week with one day being devoted to remote learning district wide. This would allow smaller groups “bubbles” within the elementary building by having half the students come on “A” Purple day and the other half come on “B” Gold Days with one day (Wednesday) being the remote day. This remote day would be used to deep clean the building.

Delegate Assembly: Mr. Zessin reviewed the questions he will be voting on, on behalf of the district.

Motion at 9:04 p.m. to enter into closed session for the purpose of student discipline and personnel. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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*Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

At 9:54 p.m., motion by Kelly Brewer, second by Dustin Blunier to return to open session. It was then discovered Kay Faralli was not reconnected via Zoom, so there was a brief wait until that connection was made. The motion was reviewed for Kay Faralli. Roll Call Vote at 9:56 p.m. of 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion by Ron Zessin, second by Kelly Brewer to approve Eric Higgs (FCHS Basketball) and Kent Simmons (FCHS Cheer) as volunteers for the 2020-2021 school year.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion by Ron Zessin, second by Kelly Brewer to approve the FMLA Leave request by Dale Horn from November 17 through November 30. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion by Ron Zessin, second by Kay Faralli to approve Anita Bausman as the FCHS Scholastic Bowl coach for the 2020-2021 school year. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion by Ron Zessin, second by Kelly Brewer to approve the discretionary leave of Meghan Krusa from November 9, 2020 to January 8, 2021. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion by Kelly Brewer, second by Travis Mahr to approve the FFCRA leave request of Ramona Ball as submitted. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion by Ron Zessin, second by BJ Oldfield to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 p.m. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

The next regular meeting is Monday, December 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the FCHS research center. There will be a Levy Hearing at 6:20 p.m. the same night.



 President



 Secretary

