

Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Monday, June 13, 2022 7:30 PM Central  
Posting Locations:

Fillmore Central High School  
1410 L Street  
Geneva, NE 68361-1599

- Nebraska Signal

Posted Date: June 7, 2022

Chad Engle: Present  
Shaun Farmer: Present  
Doug Gergen: Present  
Christin Lovegrove: Present  
Whitney Peppard: Present  
Scott Schelkopf: Present  
Present: 6.

1. Call to Order

President Shaun Farmer called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

2. Recognize Open Meetings Laws and location of the poster

3. Roll Call

4. Declaration of Legal Meeting/Excuse Absences

4.1. Declaration of Legal Meeting

Recommendation that the Board declare this regular meeting of June 13, 2022 a legal meeting passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Doug Gergen.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Doug Gergen: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea,  
Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

4.2. Excuse Absences

There were none.

5. Public Comment

6. Reports from Administration

Superintendent – Mr. Cumpston – Mr. Cumpston updated the Board regarding licensed mental health practitioner funding through ESSRs funds, purchasing a vehicle for the middle school to help transport students, the math curriculum, and social/emotional training for the district. He also reported that we have received approval for purchasing desks/seating in classrooms using ESSRs funds. He also reported that we will be able to pay for three paraprofessionals at the elementary and middle schools using ESSERS funds to assist with learning loss and behavioral issues. The job fair was a success with better than anticipated attendance. The policy committee process was reviewed.

NOTE: Principals are not required to attend meetings in the summer months. Mr. Theobald was in attendance.

## 7. Action Items

### 7.1. Consent Agenda

Recommendation that the Board approve the Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Scott Schelkopf and a second by Doug Gergen.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Doug Gergen: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.1.1. Approval of the Minutes of the following board meetings: April 26, 2022 and May 16, 2022

7.1.2. Receive, review and accept Finance reports

7.1.3. Review and approve the General Fund claims

7.1.4. Review and approve the Building Fund claims

7.2. Review, discuss and take any necessary action on the Back to School Framework – Safety Plan

No action was taken.

### 7.3. Purchase up to \$55,000 of Classroom Furniture Using ESSERS Funds

Recommendation that the Board approve combined purchases of up to \$55,000 for classroom furniture using ESSERS funds passed with a motion by Doug Gergen and a second by Chad Engle.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Doug Gergen: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Approximately \$26,000 will be used at the high school to purchase hexagon shaped desks that can be reconfigured into various groupings and 120 chairs. This allows for the removal of the desk and chair combination pieces. Approximately \$5,000 will be used for new science tables at the middle school and another \$5,000 will be used for an additional classroom. There is no anticipated need at the elementary at this time.

### 7.4. Hire two para educators using ESSERS funds to address learning loss

Recommendation that the Board approve hiring two additional paraprofessionals using ESSERS funds to address learning loss passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Doug Gergen.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Doug Gergen: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Discussion was held regarding the funding of these two positions. These positions will be at the elementary and middle schools.

## 8. Discussion Items

### 8.1. Review and Discuss Future ESSERS Spending

Discussion was held regarding the survey that was sent out regarding ESSERS. Fillmore Central has allocated all of the ESSER's 1 money which had to be used by September, 2022. ESSERs II funds need to be allocated and spent by the fall 2023. At this time we are using the money for the following: Branching Minds software and training, computer licenses, IXL, Lexia, computers, mimeo boards, an additional 12 hours of licensed mental health practitioner services, furniture and school bus cameras. ESSERs III funds need to be spent by the fall of 2024. At this time plans for these funds include English/Language Arts, Science, and Math books/curriculum; Marzano training and books; additional licensed mental health practitioner services, and a portion of the data steward and paraprofessional costs.

### 8.2. Review District Employee and Classified Staff Handbooks

Changes in the handbooks were highlighted and discussed.

### 8.3. Report on Status of Elementary HVAC System

At this time we are waiting to hear from Marty Kasl regarding coil issues and replacing/adding glycol to the system. Discussion was held regarding having NPPD check the controls regarding the high electricity bills.

### 8.4. Review 2022-2023 Miscellaneous Charges Schedule

It was noted that all Fillmore Central students are admitted to regularly scheduled home events free of charge.

Discussion was held regarding raising the substitute pay to \$145 per day.

### 8.5. Review Parent Involvement Policy

The Board conducted the annual policy review.

### 8.6. Review Bullying Policy

The Board conducted the annual policy review.

### 8.7. Set date for possible Budget Workshop

Dates for the following meetings were set: August 1, 2022 – Budget Workshop and August 15, 2022 – Regular Board of Education Meeting.

### 8.8. Discuss Possible Board Retreat and Dates

The retreat will be held in October or November with a date to be set at a future meeting.

### 8.9. Review and Discuss proposed Walking Trail location

The Board went outside to view and discuss the location on the city easement. There may be a change in the location of the path to the fence surrounding the football field.

Signage will also be needed for a street crossing. Mr. Cumpston will check on district liability.

8.10. Discuss replacing Sound System in High School Gymnasium

Discussion on replacing the high school gymnasium sound system was held. The current system is not adequate. We need a system with a clear sounding microphone for presentations, graduations and has the ability to play music. Two quotes for approximately \$20,000 each and one quote for \$40,000 have been received at this time.

8.11. Discuss Adding Key Fobs to Select Exterior Doors at Each Building

It will cost approximately \$60,000 to add fobs to 8 or 9 doors at each of the three buildings.

8.12. Review and Discuss Downtown Gym Appraisal

Recommendation that the Board and Mr. Cumpston to enter executive session at 9:11 pm to discuss the downtown gym appraisal passed with a motion by Chad Engle and a second by Scott Schelkopf.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Doug Gergen: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Recommendation that the regular meeting be reconvened at 9:38 pm passed with a motion by Doug Gergen and a second by Chad Engle.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Doug Gergen: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.13. Next Meeting: July 11, 2022

9. Adjourn meeting

Recommendation that the regular meeting of June 13, 2022 be adjourned at 9:39 pm passed with a motion by Doug Gergen and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Doug Gergen: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0