

DANIEL FREEMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
Monday, January 10, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. Board members Meints, Jurgens, Dorn, Parde, Finkner, and Remmers and Superintendent Page were present. The agenda was approved and the location of the Open Meetings Act was noted as per Nebraska statute 84-1412.

Officer elections were conducted. Doug Parde was elected President, Steven Finkner was elected Vice President, Leon Dorn was elected Treasurer, and Dennis Remmers was elected as Secretary. Glenda Kuster was appointed recording secretary. Standing committee appointments were made as follows: Americanism – Parde, Finkner, Meints; Facilities – Meints, Remmers, Finkner; Curriculum – Remmers, Finkner, Jurgens; Negotiations – Remmers, Parde, Dorn; Transportation – Jurgens, Dorn, Parde. Temporary Committee appointments were as follows: Foundation - Jurgens, Meints and Parde; Media Advisory – Parde; Wellness – Finkner; and School Improvement – Meints, Jurgens, and Finkner.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Dorn, second by Meints to approve the consent agenda which includes approving the minutes of previous meeting, General Fund bills of **\$31,951.01**, Lunch Fund bills of **\$7,584.37** payroll expenditures of **\$253,470.65**, and financial reports. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Reports and Discussion:

Superintendent Page welcomed new board member Darin Jurgens, and reported on Driver Education, the 2011-12 calendar, upcoming conferences, new windows, staffing for next year, technology updates, and fuel contracting. A moment of silence was called for in light of the tragedy at Millard. Superintendent Page also noted that we have safety and security policies in place and we do review and practice them.

Assessments: A large portion of the January in-service dealt with assessments and assessment scheduling. NeSA reading is in place, math and science will be piloted next year.

Facilities: Committee member Meints reported that three architect firms have been selected to interview with hopes of receiving their proposals by the 20<sup>th</sup>. A proposal will be recommended to the board in February. Public meetings will be held to receive input. The committee would like to submit a purchase option proposal on land that may be desirable for future development.

Negotiations: The committee has been working on renewing the Superintendent contract and recommends offering a continuing contract to Superintendent Page, adding the SPED director responsibilities and making it a two year employment agreement.

Transportation: With the purchase of the new bus, the 92 bus is now housed at Filley as a spare, leaving two spare/activity busses in Adams.

Action Items:

Motion by Remmers, second by Dorn to appoint Rodger Pella as Freeman's LEA Designated Person for Asbestos. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Meints, second by Jurgens to approve the 2011-12 school calendar as presented. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Dorn, second by Parde to recognize the Freeman Education Association as the Exclusive Bargaining Agent for the non-supervisory certificated employees. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Finkner second by Remmers to enter into executive session at 8:57 pm for the protection of public interest. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Dorn, second by Meints, to return to regular session at 9:20 pm. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Meints, second by Finkner to authorize the Board President, Secretary, and Treasurer to sign a purchase option regarding land the district might have interest in at this time. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Parde second by Remmers to offer and approve a contract for the Freeman Superintendent for 2011-12 school year as discussed. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Other items of discussion: Principal contract to be considered in February, tentative date for board retreat, board member development opportunities.

Next regular meeting will be in the Freeman Media Center, at 7:00 p.m., Monday February 14, 2011.

The meeting adjourned at 9:34 pm.

Claims Approved: Accurate Communications, elev call service, 51.08; ACT, plan tests, 303.00; Adams Post Office, trust deposit, 142.10; Adams Village, water/sewer, 830.84; Allied Insurance, treasurer bond/workman comp, 6,330.08; Amazon, english book, 63.96; Beatrice Mechanical Service, heating system repairs, 1,744.94; Buhr Electric, electrical parts, 78.42; Cardmember Service, Misc, 1.92; Ceridian Benefits Services, 125 FSA plan admin, 112.50; Cash-Wa Distributing, food, 1,054.85; Dean Foods, dairy products, 1,900.71; Dietze Music, sax repair, 89.00; Melvin Dissmeyer, fuel/service, 2,409.92; Earthgrains Co, bread products, 355.46; ECHO Electric Supply, lighting, 74.00; ESU 4, tCadre workshop, 15.00; ESU 5, SPED and other, 6,691.18; ESU 6, internet service/domain name, 667.74; Freeman General Fund, new bus title, 10.00; Freeman Revolving (Activity) Fund, lunch acct reimburse, 43.00; Gage County Clerk, 2010 General Election, 329.47; Harris, W2 forms/envelopes, 135.30; Hestermann's Repair, welding, 48.00; Hometown Leasing, network copiers/printers, 2,085.72; Kleritec, sanitizers, 202.99; Lincoln Truck Center, 04BB tow & repair, 1,773.49; Bob Michl, expenses/mileage, 111.37; Midwest Food Marketing, misc/lunch, 49.86; Lesley Miller, mileage, 266.54; NE Assoc Of School Boards, new board member wrkshop, 110.00; Ne Council Of School Admin., Legislative Preview conf, 75.00; Nebraska Food Distribution Program, Dec commodities, 1,302.70; Norris Public Power, elec service to 12/13/10, 4,703.91; OKeefe Elevator Company, Inc, Jan elevator inspection, 193.75; Orkin Pest Control, Jan monthly service, 72.66; Otoe County Clerk, 2010 General Election, 50.00; Randy Page, mileage/expenses, 223.61; School Specialty, PreK supplies, 155.96; Seminole Energy Services, LLC, October heat, 556.71; Staples Advantage, gen supplies, 125.66; Sysco Lincoln, food products, 2,775.95; The Thompson Co, juice alive, 106.00; Verizon Wireless, cell phones, 133.98; Bryant News Inc, dba Voice News,

mtg minutes, 61.44; Walmart Community/GEB, powerstrips, 45.85; Watkins Ace Hardware, misc supplies, 25.62; Windstream, landlines, 115.21; Youngs, escutcheon plates, 79.21; Zito Media, Data/Video serv to Jan 31, 649.72. TOTAL \$39,535.38.