

The Fredonia Unified School District #484 Governing Board met in special session on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Board of Education Office located at 300 North 6th Street, Fredonia, Kansas.

Board members present were: Board President Feyn Baker; Board Vice President Jennifer McKenney; Adam Kiblinger, Merlyn Ramsey, John Weilert and Tasha Willett.

Board member Miranda Dinkel was absent.

Others present were: Brian Smith, Superintendent of Schools; Brian Houghton, Lead Teacher; Luke Sobba, KASB; Tim Woodcock, K-6 Principal; Emily McVey, Teacher; Kasey Winegar, Teacher; Audrey Rhuems, Teacher; Jamie Camacho, 7-12 Principal and Diana Bredehoft, Governing Board Clerk.

Call to Order

Board President Feyn Baker called the special session to order at 7:02 p.m. with six board members present.

Approval of the Agenda

Merlyn Ramsey made a motion to approve the printed agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Adam Kiblinger. Motion carried. 6-0

Recognizing Visitors

There were seven visitors.

New Business

Out of State Travel – Redesign

Superintendent Smith announced that Fredonia USD 484 was recognized as one of nineteen schools to be in the new Gemini II Program.

Superintendent Smith continued the conversation from the April regular meeting with the Board about the traveling to different schools out of state to view their innovative programs.

Teachers Kasey Winegar, Audrey Rhuems and Emily McVey were present to talk about the value of the visitations. Administrators Brian Houghton, Tim Woodcock and Jamie Camacho also explained what they were looking for when they visited the schools.

After lengthy discussion, Adam Kiblinger made a motion to approve the travel plans for school visitations. Administration will present detailed plans at the regular board meeting in May. Motion seconded by Jennifer McKenney. Motion carried. 4-2

Executive Session

Non-Elected Personnel

Adam Kiblinger made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for up to ten minutes and would resume our open meeting in this boardroom. Those included in the executive session were the Board, Superintendent Smith and Jamie Camacho. Motion seconded by Merlyn Ramsey. Motion carried. 6-0

Those present upon entering the executive session were: Board President Feyn Baker; Board Vice President Jennifer McKenney; Adam Kiblinger, Merlyn Ramsey, John Weilert, Tasha Willett, Superintendent Smith and Jamie Camacho.

The Board returned to open session at 7:56 p.m. with the following persons present: Board President Feyn Baker; Board Vice President Jennifer McKenney; Adam Kiblinger, Merlyn Ramsey, Tasha Willett, Superintendent Smith and Jamie Camacho.

President Baker informed Board Clerk Diana Bredehoff that John Weilert left during the executive session at 7:55.

Final Action

Superintendent Smith recommended the employment of Lisa Schweda as a 7-12 science teacher for the 2018-2019 school year.

Merlyn Ramsey made a motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation to hire Lisa Schweda as a 7-12 science teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion seconded by Jennifer McKenney. Motion carried. 5-0

Vice President Jennifer McKenney left the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Presentation

Luke Sobba – KASB Negotiations Training

The Board participated in the KASB negotiations training as required by the State of Kansas under the Professional Negotiations Act.

Break

The Board declared a break at 9:11 p.m. and returned at 9:13 p.m. to continue the training session.

Vice President Jennifer McKenney returned to the meeting at 9:34 p.m.

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Adjournment

Board President Feyn Baker declared the Special Session of the Fredonia Unified School District #484 Governing Board adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

Feyn Baker, Board President

Diana Bredehoft, Board Clerk