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Board elects president, vice president

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FREMONT -- During the organizational meeting Monday, Tim Ellenberger was voted to be president of the Fremont City Schools Board of Education.

Marc Glotzbecker was voted to be vice president. He served as board president last year. Newly elected member Alex Gorobetz, who retired from the district last year, was sworn into office along with board member Linda Hershey.

Gorobetz replaced Jim Fails, who did not seek re-election.

The board also voted to keep the meeting date and time the same -- the first and third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the W. David Carr Lecture Lab on Cedar Street. Three board meetings will be held on Tuesdays this year and those dates are Jan. 19, July 6 and Sept. 7.

Also during the meeting, district Treasurer David Chambers presented the tax budget for fiscal year 2011, which is from July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, and was approved by board members during the regular meeting. The county budget commission has to certify the tax rates by March 1 for school districts.

Chambers pointed out that from July 1 to Dec. 30 of 2011, they are estimating to have a negative balance of \$195,702.55 in the ending unencumbered fund balance of the general fund. However, this happens to be in the middle of the district's fiscal year, he said.

"We're trying to show the budget commission that we need every tax dollar we can get," Chambers said of that negative estimate.

However, the permanent improvement fund is the only budget where they are anticipating it to grow steadily in 2011 in the ending unencumbered fund balance.