

Fremont City Schools  
AGENDA  
District Office  
500 W. State St. Suite A  
January 27, 2020  
4:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call:** Mrs. Espiritu \_\_ Mr. Gorobetz \_\_ Ms. Laird \_\_ Mr. Price\_\_ Mrs. Rhea\_\_

**Approve or amend and sign the minutes of the special meeting January 6, 2020, the organizational meeting held January 13, 2020, the tax budget hearing held January 13, 2020 and the regular meeting held January 13, 2020.**

Mrs. Espiritu_____	Mr. Gorobetz _____	Ms. Laird_____	App _____
	Mr. Price _____	Mrs. Rhea_____	Disa _____
			Other _____

- IV. Recognition of Visitors**
- V. First Hearing of the Public**

A Fremont City School District citizen, recognized by the Chairman, may speak on any issue, during the Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of the Public Sessions, but the Chair may limit remarks pursuant to the debate regulations of *Robert's Rules of Order* and Fremont City School District Policy.

- VI. Report of the Treasurer**
- VII. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TREASURER**

**A. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**ITEM 1. Consider approval of the December financial report**

**It is recommended that the December financial report be approved (copy on file at Birchard Public Library).**

**ITEM 2. Consider approval of fund-to-fund transfer(s)**

It is recommended that the following fund-to-fund transfer(s) be approved:

From	200-9151 Class of 2019	to	200-9153 Class of 2021	\$	10,000.00
From	200-9151 Class of 2019	to	200-9130 Leadership	\$	4,247.26
From	200-9151 Class of 2019	to	200-9121 Student Council	\$	4,247.25

Mrs. Espiritu_____	Mr. Gorobetz_____	Ms. Laird_____	App	___
	Mr. Price_____	Mrs. Rhea_____	Disa	___
			Other	___

**VIII. Report of the Superintendent**

**IX. Recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools**

**A. FACILITIES MATTERS**

**ITEM 1. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a Change Order to the CMR Agreement with Gilbane Building Company**

The Superintendent recommends approval of a change order for \$59,968.64 and Columbia Gas Aid-to-Construction costs of \$11,147.76 at the New High School

**WHEREAS**, The Fremont City Schools Board of Education (the Board) previously approved and entered into a CMR contract with Gilbane Building Company for the construction of the new high school building; and

**WHEREAS**, While working on the site for the new high school, it was observed that the existing Columbia Gas line was leaking and would require a temporary repair; and

**WHEREAS**, A decision was made by the team to move the line and tap into an existing meter along Cedar Street; and

**WHEREAS**, Columbia Gas requires an Aid-to-Construction agreement and fee of \$11,147.76 for their participation in this work; and

**WHEREAS**, The project team would like to accept a change order to pay for the \$59,968.64 cost to Gilbane to relocate the gas line; and

**WHEREAS**, The project team would like to sign the Aid-to-Construction agreement and pay the \$11,147.76 fee; and

**WHEREAS**, A board resolution is necessary to allow the superintendent to sign the \$59,968.64 change order; and

**WHEREAS**, The change order has been reviewed by the architect, Superintendent and Treasurer, and the OFCC Project Manager; and

**WHEREAS**, The Board wishes to approve and authorize execution of the change order for a new gas line at the new high school in the amount of \$59,968.64.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The change order to install a new gas line at the new high school, in amount of \$59,968.64 is approved, subject to the approval of the OFCC; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to sign the change order.

Mrs. Espiritu_____	Mr. Gorobetz_____	Ms. Laird_____	App _____
	Mr. Price_____	Mrs. Rhea_____	Disa _____
			Other _____

**B. OTHER MATTERS**

**ITEM 2. Board Work Session**

**Resolution for Executive Session (O.R.C. 121.22)**

**WHEREAS**, as a public board of education, the Fremont City School District Board of Education may hold an executive session only after a majority of a quorum (or, in the case of item O, below, a unanimous quorum) of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

- A. To consider the appointment of a public employee or official.
- B. To consider the employment of a public employee or official.

- C. To consider the dismissal of a public employee or official.
- D. To consider the discipline of a public employee or official.
- E. To consider the promotion of a public employee or official.
- F. To consider the demotion of a public employee or official.
- G. To consider the compensation of a public employee or official.
- H. To consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or student.
- I. To consider the purchase of property for public purposes.
- J. To consider the sale of property at competitive bidding.
- K. To confer with an attorney for the Board concerning disputes involving the Board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.
- L. To prepare for, conduct, and/or review negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.
- M. To consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.
- N. To discuss details relative to the security arrangements and emergency response protocols for the Board.
- O. To discuss confidential information related to an application for economic development assistance, or negotiations with other political subdivisions related to the application, as executive session is necessary to protect interests of the applicant or related expenditure of public funds. (Unanimous vote required.)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fremont City School District Board of Education does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on items \_\_\_\_\_ as listed above.

Mrs. Espiritu \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Gorobetz \_\_\_\_\_ Ms. Laird \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Price \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Rhea \_\_\_\_\_

App \_\_\_\_\_  
Disa \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

C. Adjournment:

Mrs. Espiritu_____	Mr. Gorobetz _____	Ms. Laird_____	App _____
	Mr. Price _____	Mrs. Rhea_____	Disa _____
			Other _____

**FREMONT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Special Meeting**  
**SUMMARY**  
**January 6, 2020**

Roll Call:

**MOTION 01-20      RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION (O.R.C. 121.22) – ITEM K**

**MOTION 02-20      ADJOURNMENT**

**Fremont City Schools  
Board of Education  
Special Meeting Minutes  
January 6, 2020**

The Fremont City Board of Education of the Fremont City School District, in Sandusky County, Ohio met on Monday, January 6, 2020 for a special meeting at 4:00 p.m. in the Fremont City School District Office, 500 W. State Street, Suite A, Superintendent’s Conference Room, Fremont, Ohio.

President Pro-Tem – Alex Gorobetz

Pledge of Allegiance

Oath of Office - Newly Elected Board Members:

- Administered to Ms. Mary Alice Espiritu by Ira D. Hamman, Treasurer
- Administered to Ms. Shantel Laird by Ira D. Hamman, Treasurer
- Administered to Mrs. Violetta R. Rhea by Ira D. Hamman, Treasurer

Roll Call:	Ms. Espiritu	Present
	Mr. Gorobetz	Present
	Ms. Laird	Present
	Mr. Price	Present
	Mrs. Rhea	Present

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**OTHER MATTERS – ITEM 1**

**ITEM 1.      Consider and discuss options relating to the financial impact on District funds and reserves following the Tax Commissioner’s recent Devaluation of Personal Property Values for American Municipal Power, Inc. and the Michigan Public Power Agency**

**Discussion:**

- **Ms. Laird** - She had a discussion with Representative Bill Reineke regarding AMP. She also reached out to the County Auditor and left a voice mail message.
- **Mr. Detwiler** - He received a call from the County Auditor. Her concern is the interest. Mr. Detwiler suggested 4 installments versus 2 installments. She mentioned that some other entities want immediate payback. The County Auditor requested that the District communicate directly with her as opposed to using our tax attorney.
- **Mr. Hamman** – He received a call from the County Auditor. Discussed the interest for 4 installment payments. One other entity would prefer immediate pay. Discussed 4 installment payment options versus 10 installments. She will send him an interest scale for review. Board suggested that the Superintendent and Treasurer reach out to the County Auditor and let her know they are grateful that she will consider the 4 installment plan.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**OTHER MATTERS – ITEM 2**

**ITEM 2.      Other business**

**Discussion:**

- **Mr. Detwiler** – He sent the Board a survey.  
He issued a reminder of the Board Meeting for January.  
He announced there will be a Transportation meeting for redistricting on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. He would like for a Board Member to attend. Mr. Price agreed to attend.

**MOTION 01-20      RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION (O.R.C. 121.22)**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion to enter into executive session (O.R.C. 121.22) for Item K: To confer with an attorney for the Board concerning disputes involving the Board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

The Board moved into Executive Session at 4:56 p.m.  
The Board returned to Regular Session at 6:30p.m.

**Ayes: Laird, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Price, Rhea**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**MOTION 02-20      ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mrs. Rhea, made the motion to adjourn the special board meeting at 6:32 p.m.

**Ayes: Laird, Rhea, Espiritu, Gorobetz, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

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**APPROVED:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**President Pro-Tem**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Treasurer**



**FREMONT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Organizational Meeting**  
**SUMMARY**  
**January 13, 2020**

President Pro-Tem – Alex Gorobetz

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

**MOTION 03-20 CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT**

**MOTION 04-20 CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT**

**MOTION 05-20 ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, AND 22**

- Item 1 – Fixing Time and Place of Meeting (O.R.C. 3313.15)
- Item 2 – Resolution Establishing Service Fund for 2020 (O.R.C. 3315.15)
- Item 3 – Legislative Liaison Appointment to OSBA – Violetta Rhea
- Item 4 – Delegate to OSBA Annual Conference – Thomas Price
- Item 5 – Alternate Delegate to OSBA Annual Conference – Violetta R. Rhea
- Item 6 – Trustee for Learning and Liberty Foundation – Violetta R. Rhea
- Item 7 – Payment of Annual Membership Dues – OSBA
- Item 8 – Treasurer’s Committee Appointments
- Item 9 – Superintendent’s Committee Appointments
- Item 10– Business Advisory Council Appointments & Meeting Dates
- Item 11– Authorization for Superintendent to act as Representative for Grants
- Item 12– Participation in State and Federal Programs for 2020
- Item 13– Appointment of Purchasing Agent
- Item 14– Appointment for Public Records Training
- Item 15– Authorization for Investment of Funds
- Item 16– Request for Available Monies
- Item 17– Petty Cash Authorization
- Item 18– Authorization to Issue Warrants
- Item 19– Authorization to Pay Mileage
- Item 20– Authorize Superintendent to Hire Staff
- Item 21– Approval of Bricker and Eckler, LLP to be retained as the Board’s Legal Council
- Item 22– Approval of Brindza McIntyre & Seed, LLP to be retained as Legal Council

**MOTION 06-20 ADJOURNMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**Fremont City Schools  
Board of Education  
Organizational Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2020**

President Pro-Tem – Alex Gorobetz

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:	Mrs. Espiritu	Present
	Mr. Gorobetz	Present
	Ms. Laird	Present
	Mr. Price	Present
	Mrs. Rhea	Present

Nominations for Board President

- Ms. Laird nominated Mr. Thomas Price

**MOTION 03-20      CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mrs. Rhea, made the motion to close nominations for Board President.

**Ayes: Laird, Rhea, Espiritu, Gorobetz**

**Abstain: Price**

**Motion carried. 4-0-1**

Vote on Board Presidency

- Mrs. Espiritu voted for Mr. Price
- Mr. Gorobetz voted for Mr. Price
- Ms. Laird voted for Mr. Price
- Mr. Price abstained
- Mrs. Rhea voted for Mr. Price

Oath of Office of Board President

- Administered to Thomas Price by Ira D. Hamman, Treasurer

Nominations for Board Vice-President

- Mr. Gorobetz nominated Shantel Laird

**MOTION 04-20      CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT**

Mrs. Rhea, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion to close nominations for Board Vice-President.

**Ayes: Rhea, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Price**

**Abstain: Laird**

**Motion carried. 4-0-1**

**Fremont City Schools  
Organizational Meeting – Page 2  
January 13, 2020**

Vote on Board Vice-Presidency

- Mrs. Espiritu voted for Ms. Laird
- Mr. Gorobetz voted for Ms. Laird
- Ms. Laird abstained
- Mr. Price voted for Ms. Laird
- Mrs. Rhea voted for Ms. Laird

Oath of Office of Board Vice-President

- Administered to Shantel Laird by Ira D. Hamman, Treasurer

**MOTION 05-20      ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, AND 22**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion approve Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22.

**ITEM 1.      Fixing Time and Place of Meeting (R.C. 3313.15)**

It is recommended that the Board sets the date, time and place for the 2020 Board of Education meetings at 6:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month (see attached).

**ITEM 2.      Resolution Establishing Service Fund for 2020 (ORC 3315.15)**

It is recommended that the following resolution establishing the Service Fund for 2020 be approved:

**WHEREAS**, Section 3315.15 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio provides for the setting aside from the general fund a sum not to exceed Two Dollars for each child enrolled, or Twenty Thousand Dollars, whichever is the greater, except that in the case of a county board of education, the fund shall not exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars, such sum of money to be known as the “Service Fund,” to be used only in paying the expenses of members of such boards of education actually incurred in the performance of their duties, or in paying the expenses of members-elect of such boards of education actually incurred in training and orientation to the performance of their duties from the date of election to the date of administration of the oath of office, such payments shall be made only in such amount as may be approved by the Board of Education on statement of the general members, or members-elect, furnished at the next succeeding regular meeting of such board of education; and

**WHEREAS**, no school district shall appropriate to expend a sum greater than sixty thousand dollars in any one school year from such service fund.

**Fremont City Schools  
Organizational Meeting – Page 3  
January 13, 2020**

**MOTION 05-20      ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, AND 22 (cont.)**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Fremont City School District does hereby establish a service fund, such fund to be set aside as an account within the general fund, and there is hereby appropriated for the purpose of said service fund the sum of Two Dollars per enrolled student which amount shall be incorporated into the appropriations for this school district for 2020.

**ITEM 3.      Legislative Liaison Appointment**

It is recommended that Violetta Rhea be appointed Legislative Liaison to OSBA.

**ITEM 4.      Delegate to OSBA Annual Conference Appointment**

It is recommended that Thomas Price be appointed Delegate to OSBA Annual Conference.

**ITEM 5.      Alternate Delegate to OSBA Annual Conference**

It is recommended that Violetta R. Rhea be appointed Alternate Delegate to OSBA Annual Conference.

**ITEM 6.      Trustee for Learning and Liberty Foundation of Fremont City Schools**

It is recommended that Violetta R. Rhea be appointed as a trustee to serve on the Learning and Liberty Foundation of Fremont City Schools.

**ITEM 7.      Payment of Annual Membership Dues – OSBA**

It is recommended that annual membership dues (\$8,011.00) to OSBA for 2020 and the 2020 Briefcase subscription be approved.

**ITEM 8.      Treasurer’s Committee Appointments**

It is recommended that the following Committee appointments be approved:

Audit/Records Committee (2)

Alex Gorobetz

Thomas Price

**MOTION 05-20**      **ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, AND 22 (cont.)**

**ITEM 9.**      **Superintendent’s Committee Appointments**

It is recommended that the following Committee appointments be approved:

Policy Committee (1)	Alex Gorobetz
Curriculum Quality Control Council (2)	Alex Gorobetz
	Mary Alice Espiritu
Health/Wellness (1)	Thomas Price

**ITEM 10.**      **Business Advisory Council (BAC) Meeting Dates/Times/Location:**

It is recommended that the Superintendent attend Quarterly North Point ESC Business Advisory Council Meetings on dates/time/location to be set by North Point ESC Business Advisory Council.

**ITEM 11.**      **Authorization for Superintendent to Act as Representative for Grants**

It is recommended that the Superintendent be appointed as the authorized representative and grants officer for all local, state and federal grants for 2020.

**ITEM 12.**      **Participation in State and Federal Programs**

It is recommended that approval be granted for Fremont City Schools to participate in all state and federal programs for 2020.

**ITEM 13.**      **Appointment of Purchasing Agent**

It is recommended that the Superintendent or his designee be appointed Purchasing Agent for 2020.

**ITEM 14.**      **Appointment for Public Records Training**

It is recommended that the Treasurer be appointed as the Board’s designee for public records training.

Fremont City Schools  
Organizational Meeting – Page 5  
January 13, 2020

MOTION 05-20     ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, AND 22 (cont.)

ITEM 15.     Authorization for Investment of Funds

It is recommended that the Treasurer be authorized to invest all available funds in securities as permitted by law and Board policy.

ITEM 16.     Request for Available Monies

It is recommended that the Treasurer be authorized to request tax advances from the county auditor as monies become available, and the Board further requests the County Auditor to advance 90% of all funds available at any time as required by law.

ITEM 17.     Petty Cash Authorization

It is recommended that the Treasurer be authorized to establish Petty Cash funds on an as-needed basis up to \$7,000.00.

ITEM 18.     Authorization to Issue Warrants

It is recommended that the Treasurer be authorized to issue warrants in payment of bills and contractual obligations in 2020 with the exception when special action should be considered by the Board.

ITEM 19.     Authorization to Pay Mileage

It is recommended that the Treasurer be authorized to pay mileage at the IRS rate.

ITEM 20.     Authorize Superintendent to Hire Staff

It is recommended that the Board authorize the Superintendent to employ such temporary personnel as needed for emergency situations; such employment to be presented for approval at the next regular meeting.

ITEM 21.     Approval of Bricker and Eckler, LLP to be retained as the Board's Legal Council

It is recommended that Bricker and Eckler, LLP be retained as the Board's Legal Council.

**Fremont City Schools  
Organizational Meeting – Page 6  
January 13, 2020**

**MOTION 05-20**      **ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, AND 22 (cont.)**

**ITEM 22.**      **Approval of Brindza McIntyre & Seed, LLP to be retained as Legal Council**

It is recommended that Brindza McIntyre & Seed, LLP be retained as Legal Council for property tax representation

**Ayes: Laird, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Rhea, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**MOTION 06-20**      **ADJOURNMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

Mr. Gorobetz moved, seconded by Ms. Laird, to adjourn the Organizational Meeting at 6:07 p.m.

**Ayes: Gorobetz, Laird, Espiritu, Rhea, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

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**APPROVED:**

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**President Pro-Tem**

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**Date**

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**Treasurer**

**Fremont City Schools**

**Board of Education Meeting Dates/Time**

Time 6:00 p.m.

First Meeting of the Month will be held at FMS

Second Meeting of the Month will be held at FCS District Office

<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES</b>			
January 13, 2020 Fremont Middle School	April 13, 2020 Fremont Middle School	July 13, 2020 Fremont Middle School	October 12, 2020 Fremont Middle School
*January 27, 2020 District Office	April 27, 2020 District Office	July 27, 2020 District Office	October 26, 2020 District Office
February 10, 2020 Fremont Middle School	May 11, 2020 Fremont Middle School	August 10, 2020 Fremont Middle School	November 16, 2020 Fremont Middle School
February 24, 2020 District Office	May 26, 2020 (Tuesday) District Office	August 24, 2020 District Office	November 30, 2020 District Office
March 09, 2020 Fremont Middle School	June 08, 2020 Fremont Middle School	September 14, 2020 Fremont Middle School	December 14, 2020 Fremont Middle School
March 23, 2020 District Office	June 22, 2020 District Office	September 28, 2020 District Office	December 28, 2020 District Office

**\* Board Meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m.**



**FREMONT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Tax Budget Hearing**  
**SUMMARY**  
**January 13, 2020**

President – Thomas Price

**TAX BUDGET HEARING**

**MOTION 07-20      ADJOURNMENT**

**Fremont City Schools  
Board of Education  
Minutes of the  
TAX BUDGET HEARING  
Fremont Middle School  
1250 North Street  
January 13, 2020  
Following Organizational Meeting**

The Fremont City Board of Education of the Fremont City Schools District, in Sandusky County, Ohio met on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:08 p.m. at the Fremont Middle school located at 1250 North Street, Fremont, Ohio.

President Thomas Price presiding

**FIRST HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

- None

**TAX BUDGET HEARING**

- Ira D. Hamman, Treasurer, presented the July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021 Tax Budget

**MOTION 07-20      ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the board, motion was made by Mrs. Rhea, and seconded by Ms. Laird, to adjourn the Tax Budget Hearing at 6:14 p.m.

**Ayes: Rhea, Laird, Espiritu, Gorobetz, Price  
Motion carried. 5-0**

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**APPROVED:**

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**President**

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**Date**

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**Treasurer**

**FREMONT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Regular Meeting**

**SUMMARY**

**January 13, 2020**

Roll Call

**MOTION 08-20 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular meeting held December 9, 2019 and to amend and approve the minutes of the special meeting held December 16, 2019

**MOTION 09-20 FINANCIAL MATTERS – ITEM 1**

Item 1 – Approval of 2020-2021 Tax Budget

**MOTION 10-20 FINANCIAL MATTERS – ITEM 2**

Item 2 – Approval to revise the resolution to authorize the Treasurer to file Real Estate Complaints

**MOTION 11-20 FINANCIAL MATTERS – ITEM 3**

Item 3 – Approval to authorize the Treasurer to file Real Estate Complaints

**MOTION 12-20 PERSONNEL MATTERS – ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6**

Item 1 – Approval of resignations

Item 2 – Approval of appointments

Item 3 – Approval of supplemental contracts

Item 4 – Approval of special event workers – Scorebook Basketball

Item 5 – Approval of 4th/5th grade intramural basketball Coaches

Item 6 – Approval of status changes

**MOTION 13-20 OPERATIONS MATTERS – ITEM 7**

Item 7 – Approval of payment of tuition to Bowling Green State University (BGSU)

**MOTION 14-20 OTHER MATTERS – ITEMS 8, 9, 10, AND 11**

Item 8 – Approval to grant Ross High School diploma

Item 9 – Approval of adoption of resolution for School Board Recognition Month

Item 10 – Approval of adoption of resolution for National Mentoring Month

Item 11 – Approval of donations

**MOTION 15-20 ADJOURNMENT**

**Fremont City Schools  
Board of Education  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2020**

The Fremont City Board of Education of the Fremont City School District, in Sandusky County, Ohio met on Monday, January 13, 2020, at 6:15 p.m. at the Fremont Middle School, 1250 North Street, Fremont, Ohio following the Tax Budget Hearing.

Board President Thomas Price presiding

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:	Thomas Price, Board President	Present
	Shantel Laird, Board Vice-President	Present
	Mary Alice Espiritu	Present
	Alex Gorobetz	Present
	Violetta R. Rhea	Present

**MOTION 08-20      APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Rhea, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion to approve and sign the minutes of the regular meeting held December 9, 2019; and to amend and approve the minutes of the special meeting held December 16, 2019.

**Amended Motion 166-19      OTHER MATTERS – ITEM 3**

ITEM 3.      Approval to discuss the Ross High altercation

- Discussion of videoing of the altercation. Videotaping constitutes mental harm. What are the consequences for taping?
- Complete investigation and write report to include administrative action taken.
- 30 days to complete the report.

**Ayes: Rhea, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Laird, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

- None

**FIRST HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

- Stephen Durnwald, Fremont, concerned that not all sales of property within the time constraints were challenged.  
Will the District continue to target those? Concerned that District will continue to be selective in its challenge of property values.  
Mr. Price and Ms. Laird discussed rationale in defining properties to challenge.
- Jill Simpson, Fremont, wanted to discuss an update on the revaluations. Not aware of why 2-3 properties were dropped. She indicated she was not aware that the value of her property would be updated based on sales price.  
Mr. Price and Ms. Laird discussed.

**FIRST HEARING OF THE PUBLIC (cont.)**

- Phillip Wylkan, Fremont, said, “Everyone says their hands are tied”. If the District disagreed with the letter from County Auditor, why didn’t the District put out information?
- Cheryl Wendt, Realtor, discussed the challenge of real estate property values policy. She discussed a letter to dissolve local Business Advisory Council. No notice sent to residents that FCSC was going to pursue tax appraisals. She described District’s actions as suing property owners. HB75 establishes process to notify property owners. Believes this process will hurt the District and needs to stop it if the District expects another levy to pass.
- Jill Swaisgood, Realtor, discussed HB920. Acknowledged that the District receives a 1 time increase if challenge is legitimate. Concerned that this 1 time increase is not worth the discord created in the District.
- Michelle Bishop, Developer/Realtor, concerned that the proper valuation of properties at the time of sale creates an adversarial relationship with property owners.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

- Mr. Hamman gave an update on the AMP Repayment
- Nexus Pipeline – Spoke with the Tax Examiner Specialist at the State Public Utilities regarding Nexus. Unable to comment with regards to the status of appeal or how Nexus will pay.
- State Audit Update – Currently no significant findings. Should have completed audit report around the end of February.
- Mr. Hamman will attend the 2020 Enterprise Zone Annual review meeting on March 11, 2020.
- The approval of prior month Financials will be moved to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting of the month.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TREASURER**

**MOTION 09-20      FINANCIAL MATTERS – ITEM 1**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion to approve financial matters – Item 1.

**ITEM 1.      Approval of 2020-2021 Tax Budget**

It is recommended that the Tax Budget for July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 be approved.

**Ayes: Laird, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Rhea, Price  
Motion carried. 5-0**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TREASURER**

**MOTION 10-20      FINANCIAL MATTERS – ITEM 2**

Mr. Gorobetz, seconded by Ms. Laird, made the motion to revise the Resolution authorizing the Treasurer to file Real Estate Complaints – Item 2.

**ITEM 2.      Approval to revise the resolution to authorize the Treasurer to file Real Estate Complaints**

**Ayes: Gorobetz, Laird, Espiritu, Rhea, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**MOTION 11-20      FINANCIAL MATTERS – ITEM 3**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mrs. Espiritu, made the motion to approve financial matters – Item 3.

**ITEM 3.      Approval to authorize the Treasurer to file Real Estate Complaints**

**AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO FILE REAL ESTATE COMPLAINTS**

**WHEREAS**, O.R.C. 5715.19 provides that the Board of Education may file complaints as to the valuation or assessment of real property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fremont City School District Board of Education has previously employed the services of Brindza McIntyre & Seed LLP; and

**WHEREAS**, should the Board of Education determine that it is necessary to duly exercise said complaints; and

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the valuation of real property within the Fremont City School District, it is necessary for tax purposes, to review actions of the Sandusky County Board of Revision, Common Pleas Court and the Board of Tax Appeals of the State of Ohio;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the Fremont City School District that appearances before Sandusky County Board of Revision, the filing of complaints therein, and the filing of prosecution of appeals from orders of the Sandusky County Board of Revision by approved legal counsel, on behalf of the Fremont City School District Board of Education during 2020 be authorized; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer, after consulting with the Board President, be authorized on behalf of the Fremont City School District Board of Education to execute, or cause to be executed all complaint documents as determined by the Treasurer, (upon the advice of approved legal counsel) to be necessary pursuant to O.R.C. 5715.19 to be filed with appropriate Sandusky County of State offices during calendar year 2020.

**Ayes: Laird, Espiritu, Gorobetz, Rhea, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT**

- None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- None

**MASTER FACILITIES PLANNING**

- Mr. Anway reported that all 4 Elementary schools are under roof.
- 2/3 of the geopiers are in place for the high school.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- None

**NEW BUSINESS**

- None

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

- Transportation realign
- Good start to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of the school year.
- Mr. Detwiler announced that the Board Meeting on January 27, 2020 will begin at 4:00 p.m.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**MOTION 12-20      PERSONNEL MATTERS – ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6**

Mrs. Rhea, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion to approve personnel matters – Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

**ITEM 1.      Approval of the following resignations**

Resignation

Certified:                      Jody Hanes  
Focus Intervention Tutor-Otis  
Reason:                      Resignation  
Effective:                      December 20, 2019

Resignation

Classified:                      Stephanie Billow  
Proud to be Me Club Advisor-FMS  
Reason:                      Resignation  
Effective:                      January 7, 2020

Resignation

Classified:                      Alicia Wiezorek  
Elementary Cafe Manager-Hayes  
Reason:                      Resignation  
Effective:                      December 23, 2019

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**MOTION 12-20      PERSONNEL MATTERS – ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6 (cont.)**

**ITEM 2.      Approval of the following appointments**

A. Appointments for the 2019-2020 school year:

Certified Staff Substitutes: Alexis Winters\*

\*Employment of the above certified substitute is contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements and certifications.

B. Appointments for the 2019-2020 school year:

Support Staff Substitutes: Pamela Crawford, Kelley Scriver

**ITEM 3.      Approval of the following supplemental contracts**

Appointments for the 2019-2020 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Duty</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Amanda Faretta	Otis	Focus Intervention Tutor	\$20.00/hr

**ITEM 4.      Approval of the following special event workers**

It is recommended that the Board approves the following special event workers for winter 2019 athletic events:

**Ross High School Events  
(Basketball, Diving, Swimming, Wrestling)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Isabelle Held (student)	Scorebook Basketball	\$15.00
Hayley Lawrence (student)	Scorebook Basketball	\$15.00

**ITEM 5.      Approval of the following 4th/5th grade intramural basketball Coaches**

It is recommended that the Board approves Brooks Wott\* 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade intramural basketball coach for the 2019-2020 school year to be paid a stipend of \$500.00. This is a General Fund expenditure.

\*Employment of the above coach is contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements and certifications.



**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**MOTION 12-20      PERSONNEL MATTERS – ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6 (cont.)**

**ITEM 6.      Approval of the following status changes**

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Carmen Curran from Proud to be Me Club Advisor, Volunteer to Proud to be Me Club Advisor K-0, ½ stipend @ \$548.50 effective January 7, 2020.

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Richard Batey from Custodial II (A-27.01) at Stamm Elementary Step 4 @ \$18.34 per hour to Custodial Foreman (A-27.03) at Fremont Middle School Step 4 @ \$20.51 per hour effective December 9, 2019.

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Pamela Crawford from Bus Driver (A-23.05) Longevity 15 @ \$21.44 per hour to Transportation Office Manager (A-15.02) Longevity 15 @ \$19.17 per hour effective December 9, 2019.

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Mary Reinhart from Paraprofessional Media Aide (A-22.21) Step 13 @ \$16.21 per hour to Paraprofessional Media Aide (A-22.21) Longevity 15 @ \$16.34 per hour effective December 1, 2019.

**Ayes: Rhea, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Laird, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**MOTION 13-20      OPERATIONS MATTERS – ITEM 7**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mrs. Espiritu, made the motion to approve operations matters – Item 7.

**ITEM 7.      Approval of payment of tuition to Bowling Green State University (BGSU).**

It is recommended that the Board approves advance payment of funds to BGSU for staff member participating in the Teacher Credentialing grant offered through North Central Ohio Educational Service Center. Maximum advance payment not to exceed \$9,000.00. This is General Fund expenditure that will be reimbursed in full by NCOESC.

**Ayes: Laird, Espiritu, Gorobetz, Rhea, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**MOTION 14-20      OTHER MATTERS – ITEMS 8, 9, 10, AND 11**

Ms. Laird, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion to approve other matters – Items 8, 9, 10, and 11.

**ITEM 8.      Approval to grant Ross High School diploma**

It is recommended that the Board of Education grants a Ross High School diploma to Blake Alan Krauss. This student has completed Vanguard-Sentinel Career & Technology Centers Gateway Program and has satisfied the requirements set forth by the State of Ohio and the Fremont City Board of Education.

**ITEM 9.      Approval of adoption of resolution for School Board Recognition Month**

It is recommended that the following resolution be approved for adoption:

**WHEREAS**, it shall be the mission of the Fremont City School District to provide all students with the best possible education;

**WHEREAS**, the school board sets the direction for our community’s public schools by envisioning the community’s education future;

**WHEREAS**, the school board sets policies and procedures to govern all aspects of school district operation;

**WHEREAS**, the school board keeps attention focused on progress toward the school district’s goals and maintains a two-way communications loop with all segments of the community;

**WHEREAS**, serving on a school board requires an unselfish devotion of time and service to carry on the mission and business of the school district;

**WHEREAS**, the school board must respond on behalf of the community to the educational needs of students; and

**WHEREAS**, the school board voluntarily accepts the above-mentioned responsibilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fremont City School District does hereby proclaim January 2020 as “School Board Recognition Month” and encourages all citizens to publicly and privately thank the school board members for their dedicated service to our children.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**MOTION 14-20      OTHER MATTERS – ITEMS 8, 9, 10, AND 11 (cont.)**

**ITEM 10.      Approval of adoption of resolution for National Mentoring Month**

It is recommended that the following resolution be approved for adoption:

**WHEREAS**, mentors in Fremont City Schools demonstrate daily their professional commitment to providing students help and encouragement to facilitate their development; and

**WHEREAS**, studies show that mentoring is a highly effective strategy for preventing several key problems that young people face; and

**WHEREAS**, mentors are a highly valued source of friendship to the youth in our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fremont City School District’s Board of Education hereby recognizes that January 2020 is National Mentoring Month and urges all parents, students and employees to thank them for their special efforts.

**ITEM 11.      Approval of donations**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approves the following donations:

<u>Donor:</u>	<u>Item:</u>	<u>Value:</u>	<u>Donated To:</u>
SCORTA	Four Hardcover Books	not listed	Atkinson Elementary
Mr.&Mrs. Mears & Family	Hats, gloves, supplies, money	\$47.85	Croghan Elementary
SCORTA	Four Hardcover Books	not listed	Croghan Elementary
St. Paul’s Episcopal Church	Hats and Gloves	not listed	Hayes Elementary
Paul & Kathy Druckenmiller	Legos/Action Toys	\$400.00	Lutz Elementary
SCORTA	Four Hardcover Books	not listed	Lutz Elementary
SCORTA	Four Hardcover Books	not listed	Otis Elementary
SCORTA	Four Hardcover Books	not listed	Stamm Elementary
Deborah Randall	Roland DP-970 Digital Piano	\$3,000.00	Ross High Music Dept.

**Ayes: Laird, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Rhea, Price**  
**Motion carried. 5-0**

**SECOND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

- None

**BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION REQUESTS**

**Mrs. Espiritu** – None

**Mrs. Rhea** – She appreciated the community response at the Hearing of the Public. She is looking forward to serving another 4 years.

**Ms. Laird** – She expressed a thank you to Mary Alice Espiritu as a new Board Member. It took courage for the public to come and speak. It is always a tough time to right the ship.

**Mr. Gorobetz** – He expressed that many times the District is a victim of Ohio Legislation. He discussed the resolution regard EdChoice.

**Mr. Price** – He welcomed Mary Alice Espiritu. He congratulated Mrs. Rhea and Ms. Laird. He thanked the community members for voicing their opinions. He expressed his congratulations to Blake Alan Krauss for receiving his diploma.

**MOTION 15-20      ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs. Rhea, seconded by Mr. Gorobetz, made the motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:18 p.m.

**Ayes: Rhea, Gorobetz, Espiritu, Laird, Price**

**Motion carried. 5-0**

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**APPROVED:**

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**President**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Treasurer**