

FREMONT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Summary
July 14, 2025

Roll Call

MOTION 143-25 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The regular meeting held June 23, 2025

MOTION 144-25 FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS – DONATIONS – ITEM 1
Item 1 – Approval of donations

MOTION 145-25 STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENT – STAFF – ITEMS 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8
Item 2 – Approval of resignation
Item 3 – Approval of appointments
Item 4 – Approval of extended days
Item 5 – Approval of supplemental contracts
Item 6 – Approval of supplemental duty positions
Item 7 – Approval of special event workers
Item 8 – Approval of status changes

MOTION 146-25 FISCAL – ITEM 9
Item 9 – Approval of Resolution Authorizing Amenities for Participants at Meetings and/or Other Occasions

MOTION 147-25 ADJOURNMENT

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The Fremont City Board of Education of the Fremont City School District, in Sandusky County, Ohio, met on Monday, July 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fremont Middle School, 1250 North Street, Fremont, Ohio and Live Stream District Website: <http://www.fremontschools.net/livestream>.

Board President Thomas Price presiding

Pledge of Allegiance

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| Roll Call: | Thomas Price, Board President | Present |
| | Sarah Lewis, Board Vice-President | Present |
| | Lori Bloom | Present |
| | Laura Lehmann | Present |
| | Don Nalley | Present |

MOTION 143-25 Approval of minutes

Motion by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lehmann, to approve and sign the minutes of the special meeting held June 23, 2025.

Ayes: Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis, Nalley, Price

Motion carried. 5-0

Legislative Liaison Report by Mr. Nalley

- He noted that Governor DeWine signed the budget and four critical components were vetoed. Specific items of concern involve property tax provisions that would reduce millage, the 20 mil floor calculation, school property tax levy restrictions and county tax commission authority to reduce or not collect if the veto is overturned.
- A full report of these items can be requested in the Superintendent's office by anyone who wishes to review these items.

Walk on Items

- None

COMMUNITY

- None

First Hearing of the Public

- None

Superintendent's Report

- She invited Jessica Michel, Child Nutrition Supervisor, to give an update on the Summer Meal Program, and Jessica thanked all of the staff and volunteers who have been making this a fun and rewarding experience, namely Summer Food Program Manager and Ross Kitchen Supervisor, Kandi Cain, who has done a wonderful job with this program.

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- Every Monday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. any child is eligible to receive 5 days' worth of breakfast and lunch, along with a half-gallon of Toft's milk and a bag of produce. August 11th will be the last distribution date for meals.

Recommendations of the Superintendent

FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

Donations

MOTION 144-25

Motion by Ms. Lehmann, seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve facilities and operations matters – Item 1

Item 1. Consider approval of donations

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

| <u>Donor:</u> | <u>Item:</u> | <u>Value:</u> | <u>Donated to:</u> |
|-----------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| American Red Cross | Scholarship | \$1,000.00 | Fremont Ross High School |
| Fremont Ross Music Boosters | See Attached | \$24,363.00 | Fremont City Schools Music Department |

Ayes: Lehmann, Lewis, Bloom, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0

Staff

MOTION 145-25

Motion by Mr. Nalley, seconded by Mrs. Bloom, to approve staff matters – Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

Item 2. Consider approval of the following resignations

Resignation

Certified: Christina McBride
Teacher
Reason: Resignation
Effective: End of 2024-25 Contract Year

Resignation

Certified: Valerie Widmer
School Counselor
Reason: Resignation
Effective: End of 2024-25 Contract Year

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Item 3. Consider approval of the following appointments

A. Appointment for the 2025-2026 school year:

Name: Devin Hart*
Certified Staff: School Counselor
Account: General
Salary: ME, Step 11 @ \$69,117

Name: Angela Marquart*
Certified Staff: Teacher
Account: General
Salary: ME+15, Step 11 @ \$71,324

*Employment of the above certified employee is contingent upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements.

B. Appointments for the 2025-2026 school year:

Name: Sylvia Benavidez
Classified Staff: Cook (LR-1.02)
Account: General
Salary: Step 1 @ 16.46/hr effective August 20, 2025

Name: Jessica Hasselbach
Classified Staff: Cook (LR-1.02)
Account: General
Salary: Step 1 @ 16.46/hr effective August 20, 2025

Name: Daniella Ortiz
Classified Staff: Secretary (A-15.01)
Account: General
Salary: Step 2 @ \$19.84/hr effective August 6, 2025

Item 4. Consider approval of the following extended days

It is recommended that the Board approves up to five (5) extended days for Jordan Mackey, Assistant Athletic Director, at his Step 1 daily rate from July 1, 2025, through July 31, 2025.

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Item 5. Consider approval of the following supplemental contracts

Appointments for the 2025-2026 school year:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Building</u> | <u>Duty</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------|
| Douglas Curran | Atkinson | Men with Manners Advisor K-5 | \$1,615.00 |
| MaryAnn Kaple | Atkinson | Make-A-Difference Club Advisor K-0 (0.5 stipend) | \$605.50 |
| Nicole Weiker | Atkinson | Communication Liaison M-2 | \$1,009.00 |
| Natalie Kennedy | Croghan | Video Announcements Advisor K-0 | \$1,211.00 |
| Monique Pollick | Croghan | Communication Liaison M-8 | \$1,413.00 |
| Rebecca Wheeler | Croghan | Make-A-Difference Club Advisor K-2 | \$1,413.00 |
| Nichole Almroth | Lutz | Safety Patrol M-10 | \$1,615.00 |
| Casey Fisher | Lutz | Make-A-Difference Club Advisor K-10 (0.5 stipend) | \$1,009.50 |
| Casey Fisher | Lutz | Video Announcements Advisor K-10 (0.5 stipend) | \$1,009.50 |
| Brittney LeJeune | Lutz | Communication Liaison M-4 | \$1,211.00 |
| Jill Pemberton | Lutz | Make-A-Difference Club Advisor K-4 (0.5 stipend) | \$807.50 |
| Jill Pemberton | Lutz | Video Announcements Advisor K-2 (0.5 stipend) | \$706.50 |
| Stephanie Johnson | Otis | Safety Patrol M-2 | \$1,009.00 |
| Tamika Koble | Otis | Make-A-Difference Club Advisor K-3 | \$1,413.00 |
| Brittany Pacheco-Quiroga | Otis | Communication Liaison M-2 | \$1,009.00 |
| Kerry Pendry-Wendling | Otis | Video Announcements Advisor K-5 | \$1,615.00 |
| Devin Pollick | Otis | Men with Manners Advisor K-1 | \$1,211.00 |
| John Cahill | Ross | Head Basketball Coach-Boys' A-10 | \$9,690.00 |
| John Calhoun | Ross | Head Band Director C-10 | \$6,460.00 |
| Sean DeLong | Ross | Instrumental Music Specialist | Volunteer |
| Philip Moran | Ross | Head Swim Coach A-10 | \$9,690.00 |
| Jacqueline Schroeder | Ross | Assistant High School Band E-1 | \$4,037.00 |
| Jennifer Ziegler-Long | Ross | Head Wrestling Coach-Girls' B-3 | \$7,469.00 |

Item 6. Consider approval of resolution for supplemental duty positions

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The supplemental duty positions set forth in Section 2 of this resolution have been offered to those employees of the Fremont City Schools who have a license issued under O.R.C. 3319.22, and no such employees who are qualified to fill the positions have accepted them, and the positions have then been advertised or otherwise made available to any individuals with such a license who are qualified to fill them and who are not employed by the Board, and no such persons have applied for and accepted the positions.

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Section 2. The Board hereby employs the following non-certified persons to perform the listed supplemental duties at the stated rate of pay for the 2025-2026 school year:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Building</u> | <u>Duty</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------|--|---------------|
| Amy Foos | Atkinson | Make-A-Difference Club Advisor K-10 (0.5 stipend) | \$1,009.50 |
| Amy Foos | Atkinson | Video Announcements Advisor K-10 | \$2,019.00 |
| DeVaun Churchya | FMS | M.S. Cross Country Coach J-3 | \$1,817.00 |
| Matthew Oman | FMS | M.S. Football Coach F-2 | \$3,432.00 |
| Eric Robinson | FMS | M.S. Football Coach F-3 | \$3,432.00 |
| Austin Baker | Ross | Varsity Asst Football Coach D-0 (0.75 stipend) | \$3,633.75 |
| Brittany Ellenberger | Ross | Off-Season Coach Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Denzel Engram | Ross | 9 th Grade Football Coach E-0 (0.5 stipend) | \$2,018.50 |
| Shunnar Gamble, Jr. | Ross | Off-Season Coach Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Chad Hetrick | Ross | Head Wrestling Coach-Boys' B-6 | \$7,873.00 |
| Kevin McDonald | Ross | Off-Season Coach Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Jonathan Minich | Ross | Off-Season Coach Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Kristen Minor | Ross | Varsity Asst Volleyball Coach E-2 (0.75 stipend) | \$3,179.25 |
| Tristian Newman | Ross | Off-Season Coach Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Michael Smith | Ross | Off-Season Coach Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Juan Vela | Ross | Head Basketball Coach-Girls' A-10 | \$9,690.00 |
| Matthew Wilson | Ross | Off-Season Coach Volunteer | Volunteer |

Section 3. The Board President, Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to execute supplemental duty contracts with the person identified in Section 2 of this resolution.

Section 4. The Board finds that the resolution has been adopted in accordance with all legal requirements including O.R.C. Sec. 121.22.

Item 7. Consider approval of the following special event workers

It is recommended that the Board approves the following special event workers for lifeguard for elective courses and swim events at Ross High School for the 2025-2026 school year:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Rate</u> |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Joshua Fate | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Lilly Halbeisen (student) | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Riley Halbeisen (student) | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Abigail Hush | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Braxtyn Jordan (student) | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Ella Lozano (student) | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Aniah Meza (student) | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Philip Moran | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |
| Brenda Widman | Lifeguard | \$11.10/hr. |

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Item 8. Consider approval of the following status changes

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Cole Druckenmiller from BA degree, Step 2 @ \$42,590 to BA degree, Step 3 @ \$44,381 effective for the 2025-2026 school year.

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Isaiah McDonald from 9th Grade Football Coach E-1 (0.25 stipend) @ \$1,009.25 to 9th Grade Football Coach E-1 (0.50 stipend) @ \$2,018.50 effective for the 2025-2026 school year.

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Dawn Souders from Secretary (A-15.01) at FMS, Longevity 15 @ \$22.17 per hour to Office Manager (A-15.02) at Transportation, Longevity 15 @ \$22.83 per hour effective June 25, 2025.

It is recommended that the Board approves the status change of Gregory Spoores from BS degree, Step 11 @ \$61,678 to BS+15 degree, Step 11 @ \$64,266 effective for the 2025-2026 school year.

**Ayes: Nalley, Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis, Price
Motion carried. 5-0**

FISCAL

Report of the Treasurer

- No Treasurer's report due to Treasurer Megan Parkhurst and Assistant Treasurer Justin Eilrich being unable to attend this evening's meeting.

Recommendations of the Treasurer

MOTION 146-25

Motion by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Mrs. Bloom, to approve fiscal matters – Item 9

Item 9. Consider approval of Resolution Authorizing Amenities for Participants at Meetings and/or Other Occasions

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENITIES FOR PARTICIPANTS AT MEETINGS AND/OR OTHER OCCASIONS

WHEREAS, the Fremont City School District Board of Education acknowledges the importance of fostering a supportive and collaborative environment for our staff, students, and community members; and

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WHEREAS, meetings, staff development sessions, and other related gatherings are essential for the effective functioning and continuous improvement of our educational environment; and

WHEREAS, providing meals, refreshments, and other amenities during such gatherings enhances participation, facilitates effective communication, and promotes a more engaging and inclusive atmosphere;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fremont City School District Board of Education recognizes the value in offering meals, refreshments, and/or other amenities to staff, students, citizens, and advisory groups participating in meetings, staff development sessions, or other occasions up to \$2,000.00 as deemed appropriate by the administration;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such provisions are declared to constitute a proper public purpose, with the intention of promoting the general welfare of the participants and the objectives of the Fremont City School District;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the administration is hereby authorized to implement this practice in accordance with thresholds set by the Ohio Ethics Commission and by the board at its discretion, ensuring that all expenditures are conducted in a manner consistent with the principles of public accountability and in accordance with established budgetary procedures.

Ayes: Lewis, Bloom, Lehmann, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0

BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

Ms. Lewis – She thanked Jessica Michel for her presentation regarding the Summer Food Program along with the staff and volunteers and commended their great teamwork. She reminded everyone of the tax free holiday from August 1st through August 14th.

Mrs. Bloom – She is very impressed with the meal program, it's awesome. She thanked everyone for donations and hopes everyone has a safe, fun summer.

Mr. Nalley – He wanted to add to his Legislative Report that the House meets on 7/21/25 to discuss potential overrides of Governor DeWine's vetoes. He hopes everyone is enjoying their summer.

Ms. Lehmann – She gave a shout out to the students who created the artwork in Mrs. Hirt's office, it is really fantastic. She is also looking forward to venturing out into the school buildings again this year to see all the wonderful things students and staff are doing to make the year great. She is also counting the days until football season begins!

Mr. Price – He thanked everyone involved with the Summer Food Program and noted that there is a real need for this in our community. It's very sobering to know that there are a lot of children who do not have food at home. He hopes everyone is enjoying their summer and fall sports' practices and band camp will be starting pretty soon!

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MOTION 147-25 Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Bloom, seconded by Ms. Lehmann, to adjourn the regular board meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Ayes: Bloom, Lehmann, Lewis, Nalley, Price
Motion carried. 5-0

APPROVED:

President

Date: _____

Treasurer