

Fleming School
Frenchman School District RE-3
Board of Education
Official Minutes-Regular Meeting
August 28, 2024

Call to Order/Roll Call

President Christa Lousberg called the Regular Board Meeting of the Fleming School Board of Education to order at 6:30pm on Wednesday, August 28, 2024 in the School and Community Library. The following members were present: Jeff Brekel, Jeff Harms, Kamie Lambrecht, Christa Lousberg, and Kim Nolde. Also present were Kortney Firme-Principal, Amber Schliesser- Business Manager, and Steve McCracken-Superintendent.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Prayer

Jeff Harms led the prayer.

Audience/Open Forum/Correspondence

Present at the meeting: Stephanie Monroe, Cia Stull, Scott Walker, Harry Harms, Patty Kuhn, Derek Feather, Karyn Bretz, and Ester McNeil.

Stephanie Monroe- Stephanie informed the Board about the Food Service Program and her concerns about how the reimbursement rates are being determined. She also shared that her program received a \$1000 grant this year. Participation in the breakfast and lunch programs continue to increase.

Scott Walker- Mr. Walker is teaching Social Studies this year. He shared with the board a video that he created. He discussed his ideas about creating a Fleming Wildcat TV show and the manner in which the content will be shared with parents and the public.

Kortney Firme- We've had a smooth start to the school year with 225 students, which is an increase from last year. All the teaching and support staff positions have been filled, and our new teachers are acclimating well.

Steve McCracken- Superintendent- Mr. McCracken updated the Board on the progress of installing the new boilers for our HVAC system. He announced that the financial audit is scheduled for November 12-13th. The location of the Construction Trades program was discussed.

Ester McNeil addressed the board about her concern over the amount of memory and the amount time our school bus videos are stored in the system.

Consent Agenda

The motion to approve the consent agenda was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.

1. Approval of Minutes- July 25, 2024
2. Bills
3. Payroll
4. Student Activity Fund

Approval of Agenda

The motion to approve the agenda after adding the approval of the BRS Garage invoice was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.

Action Items

- 1- The motion to approve the Resolution for the November Ballot issue was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 2- The motion to approve new Band room cabinets in the amount of \$35,697.71 was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 3- The motion to approve Derek Bandy as a maintenance, custodial, and paraprofessional was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 4- The motion to approve the quote from Schlenz Builders to repair the exterior doors was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 5- The motion to approve the Extra Duty Assignments was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 6- The motion to approve 2024-2025 Substitute List was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 7- The motion to approve the 2024-2025 CASB dues was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 8- The motion to approve Patty Kuhn, Carmen Vandenbark, and Ellen Lippstrew as 140 day agreements for PERA was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 9- The motion to approve Christy Stump and Denise King as Critical Shortage Teachers was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 10- The motion to approve that the Superintendent is operating within the limits of policy EL-9, Treatment of Students, Parents and Community was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 11- The motion to approve that the Superintendent is operating within the limits of policy EL-10, Student Conduct, Discipline, and Attendance was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.
- 12- The motion to approve the invoice from BRS Garage for \$5,219.03 was made and seconded. All voted: Motion passed.

Discussion Items-

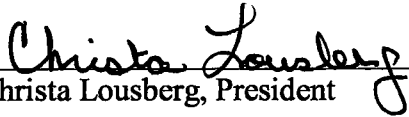
1. Football scrimmage parking
2. Cell phone policy
3. Issue Committee for the Bond campaign

Future Meeting Dates

1. School Board Work Session, September 24, 2024, 6:00pm

2. School Board meeting, September 24, 2024, 6:30pm

President Christa Lousberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.



Christa Lousberg, President



Kamie Lambrecht, Secretary

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Frenchman School District Re-3 in the County of Logan, and the State of Colorado (the "District"), is a public corporation duly organized and existing under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") have been duly elected, chosen and qualified; and

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution ("TABOR") requires voter approval for any new tax, the creation of any debt, and for spending certain moneys above limits established by TABOR; and

WHEREAS, the District will apply to the State of Colorado (the "State") for financial assistance from its Build Excellent Schools Today ("BEST") program to be utilized for the acquisition, construction, and equipping of certain improvements of the District as further described in Section 4 below (the "BEST Project"); and

WHEREAS, in order for the District to take advantage of the BEST funding, the District is required to provide matching funding in an amount equal to approximately 20% of the District's certified assessed valuation as of the December 1 prior to the issuance of any debt, to be utilized for the BEST Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined the interest of the District and the public interest and necessity demand and require enlarging, improving, remodeling, repairing, or making additions to any school building, constructing, or erecting school buildings, equipping or furnishing any school building, improving school grounds, as provided in the ballot question set forth below, all at a cost estimated at approximately \$9,570,000 (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, TABOR requires the District to submit ballot issues (as defined in TABOR) to the District's electors on limited election days before action can be taken on such ballot issues; and

WHEREAS, November 5, 2024, is one of the election dates at which ballot issues may be submitted to the eligible electors of the District pursuant to TABOR; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk and Recorder (the "County Clerk") of Logan County (the "County") will conduct the election on November 5, 2024, as a coordinated election (the "election"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to submit to the eligible electors of the District, at the election, the proposition of (1) creating general obligation indebtedness in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$9,570,000 to finance the Project and (2) increasing taxes to pay such debt; and

WHEREAS, no debt will be issued by the District unless a BEST grant is received; and

WHEREAS, the District will not have held more than one other election on the question of contracting a bonded indebtedness for any purpose within the twelve months immediately preceding the election herein called.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF FRENCHMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-3, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO:

Section 1. All action heretofore taken (not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution) by the District and the officers thereof, directed towards the election, the Project, and the objects and purposes herein stated, are ratified, approved, and confirmed. Unless otherwise defined herein, all terms used herein shall have the meanings specified in Section 22-42-101, C.R.S. or Section 1-1-104, C.R.S.

Section 2. The election shall be conducted as a coordinated election in each of the Counties pursuant to TABOR, Article 42 of Title 22, C.R.S., and the Uniform Election Code of 1992, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto. The election shall also be conducted by the County Clerk of the County. The District hereby determines that the election shall be held on November 5, 2024, and that there shall be submitted to the eligible electors of the District the question set forth herein. Because the election will be held as part of the coordinated election in the County, the Board hereby determines that each of the County Clerk shall conduct the election on behalf of the District pursuant to the Uniform Election Code of 1992.

Section 3. The total aggregate principal amount of the indebtedness to be incurred from time to time for the portion of the Project to be completed pursuant to this resolution shall not exceed the sum of \$9,570,000.

Section 4. The Board hereby authorizes and directs the officers of the District to certify on or before September 6, 2024, the following question in substantially the form hereinafter set forth to the County Clerk. Such question shall be submitted to the eligible electors of the District at the election.

BALLOT ISSUE NO. []:

SHALL FRENCHMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. RE-3 DEBT BE INCREASED BY \$9.57 MILLION, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$18.8 MILLION, AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED BY UP TO \$840,000 ANNUALLY BY THE ISSUANCE AND PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE LOCAL MATCHING MONEY REQUIRED BY THE STATE FOR THE DISTRICT TO RECEIVE STATE GRANT FUNDS (WHICH ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE REPAID AND THE RECEIPT OF WHICH IS CONTINGENT UPON THE DISTRICT'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE THE MATCHING AMOUNT) UNDER THE BUILDING EXCELLENT SCHOOLS TODAY ("BEST") PROGRAM TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS FOR DISTRICT PURPOSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPING A NEW SCHOOL BUILDING TO REPLACE THE EXSISITNG FACILITY THAT MEETS CURRENT HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS, AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COMPLIANT, ENERGY

EFFICIENT AND TECHNOLOGICALLY UP TO DATE TO MEET THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF THE FLEMING SCHOOL DISTRICT;

PROVIDED THAT NO BONDS WILL BE ISSUED UNLESS THE BEST GRANT IS RECEIVED;

WITH SUCH GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO BEAR INTEREST, MATURE, BE SUBJECT TO REDEMPTION, WITH OR WITHOUT PREMIUM OF NOT MORE THAN THREE PERCENT, AND BE ISSUED AT SUCH TIME, AT SUCH PRICE (AT, ABOVE OR BELOW PAR) AND IN SUCH MANNER AND CONTAINING SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THIS BALLOT ISSUE, AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY DETERMINE, AND SHALL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES BE LEVIED WITHOUT LIMIT AS TO THE MILL RATE TO GENERATE AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT IN EACH YEAR TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT AND ANY DEBT ISSUED TO REFUND SUCH DEBT, OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR THE SAME, PROVIDED THAT ANY REVENUE PRODUCED BY SUCH MILL LEVY SHALL NOT EXCEED \$840,000 ANNUALLY; AND SHALL SUCH TAX REVENUES AND THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH BOND PROCEEDS AND TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW; AND WITHOUT EXCEEDING THE ABOVE AMOUNTS, FOR TIMELY BOND REPAYMENT SHALL THE DISTRICT BE ALLOWED TO RETAIN AND SPEND PROPERTY TAX REVENUE ABOVE OTHER ANNUAL LIMITS WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE APPLY OR BE PROPOSED, FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OF ANY BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS BALLOT MEASURE UNTIL THE FINAL MATURITY OF SAME?

Section 5. Amber Schliesser is hereby appointed as the designated election official of the District for purposes of performing acts required or permitted by law in connection with the election.

Section 6. If a majority of the votes cast on the question to authorize general obligation indebtedness and the levy of ad valorem property taxes submitted at the election shall be in favor of incurring general obligation indebtedness and levying ad valorem property taxes as provided in such question, the District acting through the Board shall be authorized to proceed with the necessary action to incur general obligation indebtedness and levy ad valorem property taxes in accordance with such question.

Any authority to contract general obligation indebtedness or to levy ad valorem property taxes, if conferred by the results of the election, shall be deemed and considered a continuing authority to contract the general obligation indebtedness and levy the ad valorem taxes so authorized at any one time, or from time to time, and neither the partial exercise of the authority so conferred, nor any lapse of time, shall be considered as exhausting or limiting the full authority so conferred.

Section 7. If a majority of the votes cast on the question authorize the issuance of bonds as described in the bond question set forth above, the District intends to issue such bonds in

the approximate aggregate principal amount of \$9,570,000 to pay the costs of the Project, including the reimbursement of certain costs incurred by the District prior to the execution and delivery of such bonds, upon terms acceptable to the District, as authorized in a resolution to be hereafter adopted and to take all further action which is necessary or desirable in connection therewith. The officers, employees, and agents of the District shall take all action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and shall take all action necessary or desirable to finance the Project and to otherwise carry out the transactions contemplated by the resolution. The District shall not use reimbursed moneys for purposes prohibited by Treasury Regulation §1.150-2(h). This resolution is intended to be a declaration of "official intent" to reimburse expenditures within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 8. Pursuant to Section 1-11-203.5, C.R.S., any election contest arising out of a ballot issue or ballot question election concerning the order of the ballot or the form or content of the ballot title shall be commenced by petition filed with the proper court within five days after the title of the ballot issue or ballot question is set.

Section 9. The officers of the District are authorized and directed to take all action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this resolution.

Section 10. All orders, bylaws, and resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this resolution, are hereby repealed.

Section 11. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this August 28, 2024.

Christa Louder
President, Board of Education

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Kamie Lambrecht
Secretary

STATE OF COLORADO)
)
 COUNTY OF LOGAN)
)SS.
 FRENCHMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-3)

I, Kamie Lambrecht, the duly qualified and acting Secretary of Frenchman School District Re-3, Logan County, Colorado (the "District"), do hereby certify:

(1) The foregoing pages are a true and correct copy of a resolution (the "Resolution") introduced at a special meeting of the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") on August 28, 2024.

(2) The Resolution was duly moved and seconded and the Resolution was adopted at the special meeting of August 28, 2024, by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board as follows:

Name	"Yes"	"No"	Absent	Abstain
Christa Lousberg, President	X			
Kim Nolde, Vice President	X			
Kamie Lambrecht, Secretary	X			
Jeffery Harms, Director	X			
Jeffrey Brekel, Director	X			

(3) The members of the Board were present at such meeting and voted on the passage of such Resolution as set forth above.

(4) The Resolution was approved and authenticated by the signature of the President of the Board, sealed with the District seal, attested by the Secretary and recorded in the minutes of the Board.

(5) Notice of the meeting of August 28, 2024, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A was posted at the District Offices not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting in accordance with law.

(6) There are no bylaws, rules or regulations of the Board which prevent the immediate adoption of the Resolution set forth in the foregoing proceedings.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said District, this August 28, 2024.


Secretary

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A

(Attach Form of Notice)