

**Fremont Community Schools
Board of School Trustees
Special Meeting # 9 Summary
July 6, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m.
Fremont Community Schools Board Room
1100 West Toledo Street
Fremont, Indiana**

Board Members Present: President Marty McNeal, Vice President Laura McLatcher, Secretary Jill Cox, Liaison Officer Peggy Bailey, Gary Baker, Kim Bennett, Anna Creager

Administration Present: Superintendent Lori Vaughn, Corp. Business Manager Brandon Penrod

Visitors in Attendance: Randy David, Joni Thompson, Barbara Wheeler, Brooke Wheeler, Connie Sweeney, Karen Eagleson, Susan Swager, Regina Baker, Mark Fowerbaugh, Melissa Marckel, Kim Quick, Tammy Quick, Caleb Frederick, Roger Probst, Mark Sherbondy, Mike Marturello, Jim Measel, Randy Hesser, Robin Winston, Pat Terrell

Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome - Board President Marty McNeal

CALL TO ORDER

1. Adopt Meeting Agenda
Special Meeting #9 Agenda adopted as presented.

CONSIDERATION TO ENGAGE CONSULTING FIRM

The FCS Board of Trustees unanimously approved authorizing Superintendent Vaughn to engage the services of the Winston/Terrell Group.

The Winston/Terrell Group is a government affairs, public outreach and community relations and campaign management firm. The Principals of the Winston/Terrell Group have a proven track record of success in campaign management and strategic development of campaigns. Representatives Robin Winston and Pat Terrell were in attendance and introduced during the meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND CLAIMS APPROVAL

1. Business Manager Penrod presented a \$20,000 claim to retain the service of the Winston/Terrell Group. Claim was unanimously approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Resolution to Authorize Request for Operating Referendum
The Fremont Community Schools Board of Trustees unanimously approved a **Resolution of the Board of School Trustees of Fremont Community Schools for Referendum for Additional Tax Levy** for the purpose of funding and maintaining current educational programs and class sizes, being able to restore programs that have been cut due to financial constraints, and retaining and fairly compensating employees.

The referendum will be placed on the November 3, 2015, election ballot. If passed, the need for the levy shall continue for a period of seven (7) calendar years immediately following the holding of the referendum (2016-2022). The imposed tax rate would be up to (but not to exceed) \$0.1963 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The estimated tax revenue would be \$2,200,000.

Superintendent Vaughn encouraged all patrons to visit her office or call with questions, concerns and/or comments.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No comments or suggestions were offered by audience members.

ADJOURNMENT