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Fremont County School District #1  
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Lander school trustees reorganize, adopt bullying policy.

(Lander) – The current leadership of the Fremont County School District 1 Board of Trustees was reelected Tuesday night during the board’s annual reorganization meeting. Serving another year is Chairman Bruce Palmer, Vice Chairman Y.T. Sempert, Clerk Joe Palladino and Treasurer Dave Clark.

Trustees approved a bullying policy at Tuesday’s meeting dealing with student to student bullying, staff to student bullying and student to staff bullying. A provision removed from the policy language on staff to staff bullying will come under further review and possible future action, upon the request of the district’s Wellness Council.

In other action from Tuesday’s mostly routine meeting:

- School Resource Officer Chuck Carr presented a safety assessment of Starrett Junior High and Lander Valley High Schools. Carr said a law enforcement officer from South Dakota spent two days in the schools in October to review staff and student interactions, safety procedures and school environment conditions. Carr said the reviews were mostly favorable, with some recommendations issued on how to improve the surveillance camera systems in each school. Carr noted that every school in the district, except Pathfinder High School, has been reviewed for safety issues. The trustees indicated they would like to see a similar review at PHS.
- Upon the recommendation of District Activities Director Barry Scott, the board approved head coaching appointments, including Doug Hughes for football, Bruce Gresley for swimming, Kevin Green for Cross Country and Terry Berg for golf.

- In its annual reorganization, trustees approved the law firm of Copenhaver, Kath, Kitchen and Kolpitzke to represent the district; Y.T. Sempert was designated as the district's representative to the Lander Parks and Recreation Board; Bob Budd was reappointed to be the district's rep on the Fremont County Board of Cooperative Education Services Board; Y.T. Sempert and John Schumacher were designed to the Curriculum Coordinating Council; Joe Palladino was reappointed to the Tiger Joint Powers Board; Susan Crane was pegged to serve another term on the Wellness Council, and Dave Clark, Joe Palladino and Bruce Palmer were reappointed to the Salary and Benefits Discussion Committee.

- Trustees expressed their disappointment over the failure of the Indian in Education proposal that was brought to the Wyoming School Boards Association Delegate Assembly last month. Trustee Dave Clark said that it appeared that people across the state "just don't know about Indian culture" and that they "don't understand the importance of the tribe's cultural traditions."

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