

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 9, 2014

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:37 p.m.

Roll call:

Mr. Borrelli	Absent
Ms. Davies	Present
Mr. Gaiser	Present
Mr. Huth	Absent
Mr. Lucovich	Present
Dr. Marty	Present
Dr. Prazenica	Present
Mr. Shoaf	Present
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Present

Student Board Members:

Hayley Davis	Present
Benjamin Goldinger	Present

Also present was Mr. Wolfe, solicitor.

Mr. Lucovich expressed sympathy on behalf of the Board members for the students, faculty, and families involved in the day's events at Franklin Regional High School.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 12, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since the last Regular Meeting: The Board attended a Safety and Security Workshop on March 25, 2014. The Board attended a Budget and Finance Workshop and a Committee Meeting on April 2, 2014. The Board met in Executive Session on April 2, 2014 and April 9, 2014, to discuss personnel and legal issues and confidential student matters.
3. Mr. DeVivo introduced Dennis M. Russo, of Russo Construction Services, who provided the Board with an update on the progress of the Middle School Project.

4. Mr. Robb indicated that he had reported on school activities as per the attached report during the Board's April 2, 2014 Committee Meeting.
5. Dr. Prazenica reported that ARIN's Board Member Convention would be held the following week and that he would be attending the Convention along with Mr. Gaiser and Mr. Lucovich.
6. Hayley Davis and Benjamin Goldinger, student Board members, reported on school activities as per the attached reports.

Personnel

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Davies,

- a. To accept the resignation of Edward J. Pokusa, Teacher, effective June 6, 2014.
- b. To accept the resignation of Larry M. Shepard, Teacher, effective June 6, 2014.
- c. To accept the resignation of Celeste Calabrese, Teacher, effective June 6, 2014.
- d. To approve an adjusted hourly wage rate of \$16.50 for Marjorie L. Swartz, Head Cook, effective March 3, 2014, to reflect the assignment of additional responsibilities through the end of the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion carried unanimously, with the exception of item (d), on which Dr. Prazenica voted *No*.

It was moved by Ms. Davies, and seconded by Mr. Shoaf,

- e. To approve the revised School Police Officer-Director of School Safety job description as provided on the attachment.

Motion carried on a vote of six (6) to one (1), with Mr. Shoaf voting *No*.

Curriculum and Technology

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Dr. Marty,

- a. To approve the request from Larry P. Robb, Jr., Program Director, and Charles E. Kreinbucher, Principal, to attend the Pennsylvania Association of Federal Program Coordinators (PAFPC) Annual Conference to be held in Champion, Pennsylvania, from April 27-30, 2014, at an estimated cost of \$2,800.00 to be taken from Title I funds.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Mr. Shoaf,

- b. To approve the request from Jodi Crytzer, Gifted Support/RtII Coordinator (Buffalo Elementary), and Bobbi Rupp, Gifted Support/RtII Coordinator (South Buffalo Elementary), to attend the Pennsylvania Department of Education Bureau of Special Education's 2014 Response to Instruction and Intervention (RtII) Forum to be held in Hershey, Pennsylvania, from May 19-21, 2014, at a cost of \$859.54, including the cost of two (2) substitute teachers for three (3) days.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica,

- a. To provide student transportation for boys and girls regular and post season swim team meets, beginning with the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos,

- b. To approve the request of Daniel Consuegra, Accounting/Entrepreneurship/Computer Applications/Career & Finance Teacher, and four (4) Senior High School students for approval to attend the DECA Annual International Career Development Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, on May 3-6, 2014, at no cost to the District.
- c. To approve the request of Donald L. Orlowski, 7th Grade Science Teacher, and 31 Junior High School students for approval to attend the State Competition of the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) at Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania, on May 19-20, 2014, at a cost to the District of \$336.20, including the cost of one (1) substitute teacher for two (2) days.
- d. To approve the request of Thomas D. Koharchik, Junior High/Senior High Choir Director, for approval to attend the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) 2014 Annual In-service Conference, in Hershey, Pennsylvania, on March 27 28, 2014, at a cost to the District of \$1,156.39, including the cost of a substitute teacher for two (2) days.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Davies,

- a. To approve the attached March financial reports.
- b. To approve bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- c. To approve the preliminary 2013-2014 budgetary transfers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Mr. Gaiser,

- a. To adopt the attached District Policy No. 709.1 (School Police Officers).

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Davies,

- a. To authorize the District solicitor to file the attached Petitions for Appointment of School Police Officer with the Court of Common Pleas of Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, and the Court of Common Pleas of Butler County, Pennsylvania.

Motion carried on a vote of six (6) to one (1), with Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No*.

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos,

- b. To approve the District's entering into an Agreement with Lifesteps, Inc. for graduation transition services to be provided to a District student, in accordance with the student's IEP, for two (2) days per week during the period from April 11, 2014 through June 5, 2014, at a daily rate of \$81.25.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public comment was received from Terry L. Bergbigler of Sarver, Scott Speer of Freeport, and Greg Adams of Freeport.

Dr. Marty left the meeting at 8:14 pm and returned at 8:15 pm.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Dr. Marty, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary