

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 15, 2014

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

Roll call:

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

Also present was Mr. Wolfe, solicitor.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Dr. Marty, to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting held on December 4, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.
2. It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 11, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows: The Finance Committee met on January 9, 2014. The Board met in Executive Session on January 15, 2014, for personnel and confidential student matters.
4. Mr. DeVivo reported on school activities as per the attached report.
5. Kim Turnley, on behalf of Mark Turnley, CPA, made a presentation to the members providing an overview of the June 30 2013 year end audit review.
6. Dr. Marty reported that Lenape's Adult Education Center construction continues. He also reported that Lenape is extending the Licensed Practical Nurse Program, increasing enrollment and providing more educational opportunities for students.

7. Dr. Prazenica reported that he plans to travel to Washington in early February to meet with the district's congressman and asked the members to provide him with proposed items for discussion.
8. Hayley Davis and Benjamin Goldinger, student Board members, reported on school activities as per the attached report.

Personnel

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

- a. To employ Marianne Cristello as Part-Time Cafeteria Worker, at a probationary wage rate of \$7.80 per hour, to be effective January 16, 2014, pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- b. To approve the request of Kelli S. Burdett, Nurse Assistant, for four to six weeks of uncompensated FMLA leave beginning February 19, 2014.
- c. To approve the substitute lists as provided on the attachment for the 2013-2014 school year and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- d. To grant the request from various head coaches to approve the volunteer assistant coaches listed on a separate sheet for the 2013-2014 sports/extra-curricular season, at no cost to the District and pending Act 34, Act 114, and Act 151 clearances as required.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the request of Charles Shipman, Junior High/Senior High Band Teacher, and Thomas Koharchik, Junior High/Senior High Music Teacher, to begin planning the bi annual Music Department trip for the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- b. To accept the donation from Greater Pittsburgh Orthopaedic Associates of \$3,000 to the Athletic Fund, to be used for the purchase of a treadmill for use by Freeport Senior High School's athletic department.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To accept the donation from Burrell Group, Inc. of \$250 to the Athletic Fund.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Mr. Huth,

- d. To approve the request from the Freeport Basketball Boosters that the District donate the proceeds from all ticket sales from the January 24, 2014 boys JV/Varsity basketball game, to benefit the family of a Freeport Senior High School student with health issues.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

Mr. Manzer presented the members with a general overview of the December financial reports and payment reports.

It was moved by Mr. Huth, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli,

- a. To approve the attached December financial reports.
- b. To approve bills for payment.
- c. To approve a one (1) year extension, through December 31, 2014, of the existing gas purchase agreement with PA Gas Marketing originally dated January 1, 2012. The 2014 price will be \$4.236 per Mcf.
- d. To accept the District's Financial Statements and Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2013.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

- a. The Board discussed the adoption and implementation of the attached draft district policy titled, *No. 621 – Procurement Cards*.

Other Business

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

- a. To nominate Joseph Close and John Marty to the offices of President and Vice President, respectively, of the Lenape Technical School Joint Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- b. To approve the election of Jean Stull as the Lenape Joint Operating Committee and Armstrong County Area Vocational Technical School Board Treasurer for the remainder of a one year term expiring June 30, 2014.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To appoint Dr. Prazenica as the Board's representative and approve his attendance at the National School Boards Association Federal Relations Network's Advocacy Institute to be held in Washington, D.C. on February 2-4, 2014, at no cost to the District.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Huth, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli,

- d. To approve the District's accepting the attached proposal from McIlvried DiDiano and Mox LLC to provide survey services.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- e. To accept the Society for Analytical Chemistry of Pittsburgh's Elementary/Middle School Science Equipment Grant of science equipment, supplies, and materials, with a total value of \$538, to South Buffalo Elementary School.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Mr. Huth,

- f. To approve the revised school calendar for the 2013-2014 school year as provided on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from Board Members

Dr. Prazenica congratulated Dr. Marty on his appointment to the office of Vice President of Lenape Vocational Technical School.

Dr. Prazenica noted Mr. Huth's 24 years of service as a member of the Board.

Mr. Lucovich recognized the Honors Government students in attendance. The members took questions from the students.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Daniel P. Lucovich

President

Mary Dobransky

Secretary