

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2019

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors scheduled for 7:30 pm in the Auditorium of the Freeport Area High School was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:36 p.m.

Roll call:

Ms. Bollinger	Present
Mr. Borrelli	Present
Ms. Davies	Present
Mr. Haven	Present
Mr. Hill	Present
Mr. Huth	Absent
Mr. Lucovich	Present
Dr. Prazenica	Present*
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Present

Also present were student board member Patrick Keeley and Kyah Pastoria, and District solicitor Mr. Christopher Voltz.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Haven, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 9, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since her last report to the Board at the Regular Meeting on January 9, 2019: The Board met in Executive Session on February 6, 2019, to discuss personnel, contracts and negotiations, and confidential student matters. The Board held its Committee Meeting on February 6, 2019. The Board met in Executive Session on February 13, 2019, to discuss safety and security, personnel, and confidential student matters.
3. Mr. Lucovich reported that Lenape Technical School's board was currently working on their 2019-2020 budget and that the board would meet during the following week.
4. Kelly Valmassoni, DTR, Regional Manager for Nutrition Inc., made a presentation to the Board at its Committee Meeting on February 6, 2019.
5. James Wagner, Executive Director for Armstrong Indiana Intermediate Unit (ARIN IU 28), made a presentation to the Board at its Committee Meeting on February 6, 2019.

*Dr. Prazenica participated in the meeting telephonically.

6. Mr. Magness and Mr. Robb referred the members to Administration's report provided as an attachment to the agenda.
7. Dr. Prazenica reported that the Armstrong Indiana Intermediate Unit (ARIN IU 28) board would not meet in February.
8. Ms. Bollinger provided the members with the attached legislative report, including the information that the governor had presented his state budget, which included a \$200 million increase in the basic education subsidy.
9. Mr. Borrelli reported that he was inviting the Freeport Area School District Foundation to present to the Board in March or April on the Foundation's activities over the past year.
10. Student school board members Patrick Keeley and Kyah Pastoria presented their reports on student activities.

Personnel

1. It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Mr. Hill,
 - a. To approve the attached addendum to the Contract for Employment of School District Business Manager dated November 11, 2015, with Ryan M. Manzer, effective February 13, 2019.
 - b. To approve the employment of James D. Free as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher, at an annual salary of \$38,000 prorated for days worked, effective January 15, 2019, subject to satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
 - c. To approve the employment of Terence L. Stell as a full time Custodian, at an hourly wage rate of \$12.45, effective January 18, 2019, subject to satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
 - d. To approve the employment of Blaine E. Curry as a full time Custodian, at an hourly wage rate of \$12.45, effective January 24, 2019, subject to satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
 - e. To approve the employment of Christina M. Schreckengost as an Educational Assistant for the 2018-2019 school year, at an hourly rate of compensation of \$11.00, effective February 4, 2019, subject to satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
 - f. To approve the early-bird and mentor teacher and substitute personnel compensation rates provided on the attachment, for the 2019-2020 school year.

- g. To approve the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's Athletics Programs during the 2018-2019 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board.
- h. To approve the employment of the substitute personnel listed on the attachment for the 2018-2019 school year, at compensation rates approved by the board, contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli,

To approve the purchase and adopt the textbooks listed on the attachment and displayed in the meeting room for inspection, at a purchase price not to exceed \$120,000.

Motion carried on a vote of seven (7) to one (1), with Ms. Davies voting No.

Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the request of Dana S. Roach, Teacher, and 21 High School students of an overnight field trip to attend the 2019 DECA State Career Development Conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania, on February 20-22, 2019, at no cost to the District other than the cost of one substitute teacher for three (3) days (\$270).
- b. To approve the request of Charles M. Shipman, Jr., Band Director, and five High School students of an overnight field trip to attend the 2019 Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) Region II Band Festival in Erie, Pennsylvania, on March 7-9, 2019, at a cost to the District of \$1,692, including the cost of one substitute teacher for two (2) days.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger,

- a. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 103 (Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment - in School and Classroom Practices).

- b. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 103.1 (Nondiscrimination - Qualified Students with Disabilities).
- c. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 104 (Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment - Employment Practices).
- d. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 222 (Tobacco/Nicotine).
- e. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 247 (Hazing).
- f. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 249 (Bullying/Cyberbullying).
- g. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 323 (Tobacco/Nicotine).
- h. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 626 (Federal Fiscal Compliance).
- i. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 707 (Use of School Facilities).
- j. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 904 (Public Attendance at School Events).

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

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

- a. To approve the attached Affiliation Agreement with Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, for the placement of student nurses as part of the University's education program, during the 2018-2019 through 2021-2022 school years.
- b. To approve the District's continuing participation in ARIN's Pregnant and Parenting Teens Program, at an estimated cost of \$900 in matching funds.
- c. To accept a PASmart Targeted Grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Career and Technical Education, in the amount of \$35,000.
- d. To accept a HOPE PSA Contest Winner award from the Pittsburgh Penguins Foundation, in the amount of \$5,000.
- e. To approve a stipulated adjudication of Student A, as recommended by Administration.

- f. To approve the proposed revised 2018-2019 District Calendar, as presented on the attachment.
- g. To approve the proposed 2019-2020 District Calendar, as presented on the attachment.

Mr. Magness noted for the Board's information that Stacie Isenberg, the District's instructional technology coach, was to be commended for her efforts in obtaining the grant to be approved at item (c).

Motion carried on a vote of six (6) to two (2), with Ms. Bollinger and Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No* on item (g).

Finance

Mr. Manzer provided the members with an overview of the financial reports and payments lists.

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

- a. To approve the attached January financial reports.
- b. To approve the bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- c. To approve the attached list of budgetary transfers.
- d. To approve the attached resolution approving the preliminary budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year and authorizing the referendum exception and final budget notice.

Motion carried on a vote of six (6) to two (2), with Mr. Haven and Mr. Hill voting *No* on item (d).

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli,

- e. To approve capital improvement project: Secure Entrance/Office Modifications, at Administration Office Building, at a cost of approximately \$100,000.

Motion did not carry, on a vote of zero (0) to eight (8), with all directors voting *No*.

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

- f. To approve capital improvement project: Zero Turn Mower, at Buffalo Elementary School, at a cost of approximately \$13,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

No motion was made to approve Item (g):

- g. To approve capital improvement project: District Message Board Replacement (Possible South Buffalo Elementary School Upgrade), at a cost of approximately \$45,000.

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

- h. To approve capital improvement project: District Safety Improvements - Phase II, at a cost of approximately \$50,000.

Motion carried on a vote of seven (7) to one (1), with Ms. Davies voting *No*.

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

- i. To approve capital improvement project: Replacement of District's 1-ton Pickup Truck/Plow/Spreader, at a cost not to exceed \$85,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli,

- j. To approve capital improvement project: Purchase (Replace) Wide Area Mower (104"), at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$25,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger,

- k. To approve capital improvement project: Bleacher Replacement, at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$95,000.

Motion did not carry on a vote of four (4) to four (4), with Mr. Haven, Mr. Hill, Dr. Prazenica, and Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No*.

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

- l. To approve capital improvement project: Gym Lighting Replacement at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$39,000.

Motion did not carry on a vote of three (3) to five (5), with Ms. Davies, Mr. Haven, Mr. Hill, Dr. Prazenica, and Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No*.

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

- m. To approve capital improvement project: Gym Ceiling 2x4 Tile Replacement, at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$25,200.

Motion carried on a vote of seven (7) to one (1), with Mr. Lucovich voting *No*.

It was moved by Mr. Haven, and seconded by Mr. Hill,

- n. To approve capital improvement project: Movable Furniture/Upgrades/ Student Focus Spaces, at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$100,000.

Motion carried on a vote of six (6) to two (2), with Ms. Bollinger and Mr. Lucovich voting *No*.

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

- o. To approve capital improvement project: Flooring Replacement, at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$25,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger,

- p. To approve capital improvement project: Replace Office Casework, Science and Art Casework Doors, at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$46,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- q. To approve capital improvement project: Install Air and Dirt Separator in Boiler System, at Freeport Area High School, at a cost of approximately \$18,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- r. To approve capital improvement project: Sports Equipment Storage Building, at Freeport Area Athletics Stadium, at a cost not to exceed \$24,000.

Motion carried on a vote of five (5) to three (3), with Ms. Davies, Dr. Prazenica, and Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No*.

Next Meetings

Mr. Lucovich announced that the Board would hold its next Committee Meeting on Wednesday, March 6, 2019, and its next Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. at the Freeport Area High School.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Mr. Haven, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary