

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors scheduled for 7:30 pm in the Audion of the Freeport Area High School, 625 South Pike Road, Sarver, Pennsylvania, was called to order by Mr. Adam M. Toncini, President, at 8:05 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Risch, and seconded by Mr. Selinger, to appoint Bradley Walker and Larry Robb to serve as temporary Board Secretaries for this Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Roll call:

Ms. Bollinger	Present
Ms. Davies	Present
Mr. Haven	Present
Mr. Huth	Present
Dr. Prazenica	Present*
Mr. Risch	Present
Mr. Selinger	Present
Mr. Toncini	Present
Ms. Zembrzusi	Present

Administrators participating were Mr. Magness, Superintendent; Mr. Robb, Program Director; and Mr. Walker, Business Manager. Also participating was District solicitor Mr. Matthew Hoffman.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Toncini welcomed members of the public. He solicited public comment on the items on the posted agenda.

### Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Haven, and seconded by Mr. Huth, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 13, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Robb reported that the Board met as follows since the last report to the Board at the Regular Meeting on January 13, 2022: The Board met in Executive Session following the January 13, 2022, to discuss Contracts and Negotiations Matters. The Board met in Executive Session on February 10, 2022, to discuss Safety and Security, Personnel, Contracts and Negotiations, and Confidential Student Matters.
3. Kim Turnley, CPA, presented her report of the June 30, 2021 year-end audit review.

*\*Dr. Prazenica participated in the meeting by telephone.*

4. Mr. Magness thanked Reagan's Closet on behalf of the District, for providing students in the Alle-Kiski Valley with equipment such as bikes and wheelchairs. He noted that Reagan's Closet collects used items and distributes them to children who truly need them. Mr. Magness reported that 2022-2023 Kindergarten enrollment was underway and those enrollment numbers were being closely monitored. He encouraged all families with a child of Kindergarten age to initiate that process. Finally, he noted that the Board was being asked to approve a pretty standard 2022-2023 District calendar with five flexible instruction days.
5. Mr. Toncini reported that Lenape Technical School was working on a contract with its teaching staff. He noted that the Lenape Technical School Joint Operating Committee would meet the following week. He reported that the District will owe a balance from last year based on student enrollment.
6. Dr. Prazenica reported that the Board of the Armstrong Indiana (ARIN) Intermediate Unit 28 would not be meeting in February.
7. Mr. Selinger reported for the Athletics Committee that a meeting would be scheduled for a date in the near future. He indicated that the Committee was liaising well with Mr. Stivenson, School & Student Events Coordinator.
8. Ms. Bollinger provided her Legislative Report to the members as provided on the attachment. She responded to questions from Mr. Risch regarding the cyber charter school tuition.
9. Student School Board member Michael Hower presented his report of student events and activities.

### Personnel

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

- a. To approve the request of Employee No. 4120 for Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Leave.
- b. To approve the request of Employee No. 1556 for Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Leave.
- c. To approve the employment of Bobbie J. Hughes as an Educational Assistant for the 2021-2022 school year, effective February 11, 2022, at an hourly wage rate of \$13.00, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- d. To approve the employment of Deborah A. Boroski as an Educational Assistant for the 2021-2022 school year, effective February 11, 2022, at an hourly wage rate of \$14.00, and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

- e. To approve the employment of the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's Athletics Programs during the 2021-2022 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- f. TO TABLE: an item to approve the attached revised Compensation Plan for Administrators of the Freeport Area School District (2022-2027), effective July 1, 2022.

Motion unanimously carried, with the exception of item (f). Mr. Huth voted *No* on the motion TO TABLE item (f).

### Curriculum and Technology

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

- a. To approve an Artist in Residency Program, to be offered at the Freeport Area High School from March through May, 2022, as described on the attachment, at no cost to the District.

The Motion carried unanimously.

### Policy

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

- a. To approve the adoption of the attached revised School Board Policy No. 004.1 (Student Board Membership).

The Motion carried unanimously.

### Other Business

*Items were taken out of order as they appeared on the agenda.*

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

- b. To elect Frank C. Prazenica, Jr., to serve as the District's Armstrong Indiana (ARIN) Intermediate Unit Board representative, for a three (3)-year term expiring June 30, 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- a. To accept the resignation of Abigail J. Spinner and approve the appointment of Ava R. Soilis, Elise C. Whitlinger, and Crystal A. Zembrzuski as Student School Board members for the 2021-2022 school year.

- c. To approve the proposed budget of the Armstrong Indiana (ARIN) Intermediate Unit for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, as presented on the attachment.
- d. To approve the District's continuing participation in ARIN's Pregnant and Parenting Teens Program, at an estimated cost of \$900 in matching funds.
- e. To accept a Pennsylvania Department of Education Food Service Equipment Grant in the amount of \$3,478 for an electric booster heater at Buffalo Elementary School.
- f. To accept a Pennsylvania Department of Education Office for Safe Schools 2021-2022 Equipment Grant in the amount of \$22,422.71.
- g. To accept a Pennsylvania Department of Education Office for Safe Schools 2021-2022 Program Grant in the amount of \$20,000.
- h. To approve a proposed 2022-2023 District Calendar, as presented on the attachment.
- i. To approve a stipulated adjudication of Student A, as recommended by Administration.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Finance

Mr. Walker presented his Business Manager's report to the Board.

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

- a. To approve the attached January financial reports.
- b. To approve the bills for payment listed on the attachments.
- c. To approve the attached list of budgetary transfers.
- d. To accept the District's Financial Statements and Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2021, in substantially the form attached.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Next Meetings

Mr. Toncini announced that the Board would hold its next Committee Meeting on Thursday, March 3, 2022, and its next Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 7:30 pm.

Comments from the Board Members

Mr. Risch thanked Mr. Magness, Mr. Robb, and Mr. Walker for meeting with him and Ms. Zembrzuski and providing them with all of the information they would need to serve on the Board effectively.

Adjournment

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

/s/ Adam M. Toncini

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President

/s/ Bradley T. Walker

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Temporary Board Secretary

/s/ Larry P. Robb, Jr.

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