

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 9, 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 7:41 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Also present were student board member Patrick Keeley and District solicitor Mr. Matthew Hoffman.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### Reports

1. It was moved by Ms. Davies, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the minutes of the Organization Meeting held on December 5, 2018 and the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 5, 2018. 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 December 5, 2018: The Board met in Executive Session on January 9, 2019, to discuss safety and security, personnel, contracts and negotiations, and confidential student matters.
3. Student school board member Patrick Keeley presented his report on student activities. Following his report, the President dismissed Mr. Keeley, who left the meeting.
4. Wesley Kuchta, Administrative Director of Lenape Technical School, made a presentation to the Board, and introduced Lenape Technical School students Glenn Spath and Abigail Purvis and teacher Gale Purvis, who each spoke briefly about their experiences at Lenape Technical School.
5. Mr. Magness referred the members to Administration's report provided as an attachment to the agenda.

\*Dr. Prazenica participated in the meeting telephonically.

6. Ms. Bollinger noted for those present that Advocacy Day would be celebrated on April 29, 2019 at the state Capitol and that PSBA will be partnering with the Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units and Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators to strengthen their advocacy impact, with the focus for the day to be meetings with legislators to discuss critical issues affecting public education.

Ms. Bollinger went on to report that the Education Law Center had issued a letter to Governor Wolf requesting an increase of at least \$400 million for basic education funding and \$100 million for special education. The group's letter stated that special education costs in Pennsylvania increased by more than \$1.5 billion, while state support for those costs increased by only \$72 million, forcing local districts to make up the difference.

Finally, Ms. Bollinger noted that Governor Wolf would be presenting his 2019-2020 state budget on February 5, 2019.

7. Mr. Borrelli reported that the proceeds from the Freeport Area School District Foundation's annual golf outing was \$6,000. He went on to report that 15 scholarships were awarded to 24 recipients in 2018-2019. Mr. Borrelli announced that Foundation board member Ike Isenberg had been replaced by Matt Crytzer.

#### Personnel

1. It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica,
  - a. To accept the resignation of Matthew R. Gardner, full time Custodian, effective December 12, 2018.
  - b. To accept the resignation of Jenna Jo Gourley, Educational Assistant, effective January 17, 2019.
  - c. To accept the resignation of Seth D. Thompson, Teacher, effective January 21, 2019.
  - d. To accept the retirement resignation of Leonard J. Burd, full time Custodian, effective January 31, 2019.
  - e. To approve the granting of professional status to Stephanie K. Bearden, Alyssa D. Toy, and Rae M. Welling, who have each met the requirements for tenure as outlined in the Pennsylvania School Code.
  - f. 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.

- g. 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, with the exception of item (e), which passed on a vote of eight (8) to one (1), with Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No* on item (e).

#### Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the request of Eleanor T. Savage, Teacher, and 14 High School and 23 Middle School students for approval of an overnight field trip to attend the 2019 Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) State Competition in University Park, Pennsylvania, on May 19-21, 2019, at a cost to the District of \$800, including the cost of one substitute teacher for two days.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### Other Business

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

- a. To approve the election of Daniel Lucovich and Anthony Shea to the offices of President and Vice President, respectively, of the Lenape Technical School Joint Board, each for one-year terms.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- b. To approve the participation of Freeport Area Middle School students in the Youth Risk Behavior Survey to be administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Pennsylvania Department of Health during the 2018-2019 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To authorize the superintendent or his designee, in accordance with District Policy No. 711, to dispose of books, furniture, equipment, supplies, or other school property that has no longer been deemed of value to the educational purpose of the District and has current value of \$100 or less, in a manner prescribed under the School Code for the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- d. To accept an anonymous donation in the amount of \$200, to be used to offset negative student cafeteria accounts.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- e. To approve school director Melanie Bollinger's attendance of School Director Training: *Building in Finance, Policy, and Board Culture*, provided by the Pennsylvania School Boards Association, on January 17, 2019, in State College, Pennsylvania, at a cost to the District of \$150.

Motion carried unanimously.

### 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. Davies,

- a. To approve the attached December financial reports.
- b. To approve the bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- 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, 2018, in substantially the form attached.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Next Meetings

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

### Comments from Visitors

Susan Fullerton Shirey of Buffalo Township addressed the Board regarding a bus stop location.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Davies, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

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President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

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Secretary