

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 13, 2014

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:32 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Also present was Mr. Wolfe, solicitor.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Mr. Gaiser, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 11, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
2. It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 9, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
3. It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 6, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since her last report to the Board at the Regular Meeting held on June 11, 2014: The Board met in Executive Session on July 9, 2014, to discuss personnel matters. The Board held its noticed Regular Meeting on July 9, 2014. The Board met for an Athletics & Activities Workshop on August 6, 2014. The Board met in Executive Session on August 6, 2014, to discuss personnel, real estate, and confidential student matters. The Board met in Executive Session on August 13, 2014, to discuss personnel and confidential student matters.
5. Mr. Robb and Mr. DeVivo provided the Board with Administration's report, as per the attachment.

6. Mr. Manzer led a discussion on the issuance of \$20.3 million in General Obligation Notes authorized by the Board on April 10, 2013.
7. Mr. Lucovich reported on the District's placement in the top 10% of the area school districts, and commended administration and faculty on past performance and noted that the 2014-2015 school year would be an exciting school year with lots of challenges.
8. Dr. Prazenica reported that ARIN's board will meet during the following week and that he would make his report to the Board at its September meeting.
9. Dr. Marty reported that Lenape Vocational-Technical School's board will meet during the following week and that he would make his report to the Board at its September meeting.
10. Dr. Prazenica stated that he had nothing to add to the pending legislation information provided in Administration's report.

#### Personnel

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

- a. To employ Heidi Orvosh-Kamenski as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher for the District, at a salary of \$37,000, effective August 21, 2014, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- b. To approve the attached employment agreement with Sharon M. Conway to serve as Food Service Director for a term commencing August 14, 2014, through June 30, 2015, at a base salary of \$57,000, and with such other terms and benefits as provided by that agreement, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To accept the resignation of Amy L. Rebyanski, Teacher, effective August 12, 2014.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- d. To accept the resignation of Maura R. Allen, Educational Assistant, effective July 25, 2014.
- e. To accept the resignation of Amy J. Change, Educational Assistant, effective August 3, 2014.
- f. To employ the personnel listed on the attachment as Department Chairs during the 2014-2015 school year according to contracted terms of compensation.
- g. To approve the following schedule of compensation rates for substitute teachers during 2014-2015:  
  
During the first forty-four (44) days in the same assignment the substitute teacher will be compensated at the regular-substitute daily rate of \$85.  
  
Upon reaching the forty-fifth (45th) day in the same assignment, the substitute teacher will be compensated at the extended-substitute daily rate of \$130 for the duration of the entire assignment.  
  
Assignments projected to be ninety (90) days or greater will be Board approved prior to the assignment, and the substitute teacher will be compensated as per contracted terms of employment.
- h. To accept the resignation of Cindy L. Donnelly, 2014 2015 Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective August 4, 2014.
- i. To employ the personnel listed on the attachment for the District's athletic programs during the 2014-2015 school year, according to contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- j. To approve the volunteer coaches listed on the attachment for the 2014-2015 sports season, at no cost to the District and pending satisfactory completion of all clearance and training certification requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- k. To employ the personnel listed on the attachment for the District's extracurricular programs during the 2014-2015 school year, according to

contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- I. To approve the volunteer sponsors as listed on the attachment for the 2014-2015 extra-curricular season, at no cost to the District and pending satisfactory completion of all clearance and training certification requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Curriculum and Technology

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

- a. To approve the testing schedule for the 2014-2015 school year.
- b. To approve and authorize the Business Manager to complete the sale of a Wireless Controller to Mohawk School District for \$12,500.
- c. To approve Teacher David R. DiSanti's attendance at the 2014 Advanced Placement Summer Institute in World History at The College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia, on August 4 7, 2014, at a cost to the District of \$1,488.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the request of Thomas Koharchik, Music Teacher, to present "Cheaper by the Dozen" as the fall 2014 Senior High play with performances on November 21 and November 22, 2014.
- b. To approve the request of Thomas Koharchik, Music Teacher, to change the Senior High School musical performance schedule to replace the Thursday evening performance with a Sunday matinee performance, beginning with the spring 2015 musical performances.
- c. To approve the request of Thomas Koharchik, Music Teacher, to present Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" as the spring 2015 Senior High School musical with performances on March 13, March 14, and March 15, 2015.
- d. To approve the ticket prices for athletic events for the 2014-2015 school year as listed on the attachment.

- e. To approve pay rates for officials and athletic-event game workers for the 2014-2015 school year as listed on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Finance

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

- a. To approve the attached June and July financial reports.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- b. To approve bills for payment listed on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To purchase Law Enforcement Liability coverage for the 2014-2015 school year from Liberty Mutual through the Hallman Agency in the amount of \$3,473.
- d. To adopt the Free and Reduced Lunch Policy and Guidelines as established by the Department of Education to be included in district policy for the 2014-2015 school year.
- e. To approve the student school bus transportation for the fourth year of a seven-year agreement, for the 2014-2015 school year as provided on the attachment.
- f. To approve W. L. Roenigk to provide the following additional routes for the 2014-2015 school year and the 2015 summer program as listed on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Other Business

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

- a. To approve the District's entering into a contract with Paula Kuzmirek to provide ACCESS coordinator services under the direction of the Superintendent for an annual fee of \$17,922 beginning September 1, 2014.

- b. To approve the District's entering into an Agreement with MHY Family Services for the placement of one (1) special education student at Longmore Academy during the 2014-2015 school year, at a daily rate of \$80.
- c. To approve the District's entering into the attached letter of agreement with the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program for the provision of mental health liaison services under the District's Student Assistance Program through the Family Counseling Center during the 2014-2015 school year.
- d. To approve the District's entering into the attached agreement with Armstrong-Indiana Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc. for the provision of services for the Student Assistance Program (SAP) Initiative for the 2014-2015 school year.
- e. To approve the District's entering into the attached agreement with Children's Institute of Pittsburgh (CIP) for the services of a teacher's aide assigned to a District student in accordance with the student's IEP, for a term beginning May 19, 2014 and ending upon the student's disenrollment from CIP or when a teacher's aide's services are no longer required by the student's IEP, at a cost of \$160 for each day services are provided.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- f. To approve Frank C. Prazenica, Jr.'s attendance at the Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators/Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PASA/PSBA) School Leadership Conference scheduled for October 21-24, 2014 in Hershey, Pennsylvania, at a cost to the District of approximately \$1,300, to include registration, lodging, mileage, and meals.

Motion carried on a vote of eight (8) to one (1), with Mr. Shoaf voting *No*.

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

- g. To appoint Frank C. Prazenica, Jr. as the Board's Voting Delegate to the Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA) 2014 Delegate Assembly to be held on October 21, 2014.

Motion carried on a vote of eight (8) to one (1), with Mr. Shoaf voting *No*.

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

- h. To approve the election of Diana Heuser as the Lenape Joint Operating Committee Secretary for the remainder of a four-year term expiring June 30, 2017, effective October 1, 2014.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- i. To approve the District's entering into the Non-Surface Oil and Gas Agreement with MDS Energy, Ltd., on approximately 30.15 acres located in South Buffalo Township, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, Tax Parcel No. 44-175.00-02-66.

Motion failed, on a vote of three (3) to six (6), with Mr. Huth, Mr. Shoaf, Dr. Marty, Ms. Davies, Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and Mr. Gaiser voting *No*.

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

- j. To approve the following proposals for the Freeport Area Middle School project from Shipley Brothers Construction, Inc.:
  - (1) Change the gas service line size to the High School from 4" to 8" on a time and material basis not to exceed \$7,162; and
  - (2) Replace the existing 6" transite water service line and all fittings from the valve at the street to the High School and the existing fire hydrant on a time and material basis not to exceed \$21,683.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- k. To approve Student A as a non-resident student for the 2014-2015 school year, with tuition to be paid by the student's parents.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- l. To direct Administration to undertake the redrafting of the District's alma mater, with the new alma mater to be presented to the Board for approval for the 2015-2016 school year.

Motion carried on a vote of seven (7) to two (2), with Ms. Toy-Gaydos and Ms. Davies voting *No*.

### Next Meetings

Mr. Lucovich announced that the Board will meet for a Committee Meeting on September 3, 2014 at 7:30 pm and a Regular Meeting on September 10, 2014 at the Freeport Senior High School.

Comments from Board Members

Mr. Borrelli introduced Kyra Blondeaux, a resident district student attending Lenape Vocational Technical School, and Ms. Blondeaux addressed the Board and related her experience attending the Governor's School.

Comments from the Public

Kristen Ziemkiewicz addressed the Board to commend District administration and faculty on the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Program held at the Senior High School on August 12, 2014.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Mr. Shoaf, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

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President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

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Secretary