

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 2014

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:41 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

*Student Board Members:*

Audrey Clawson	Present
Benjamin Goldinger	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 October 8, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
2. It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on October 23, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since her last Secretary's report to the Board at the Regular Meeting held on October 8, 2014: The Board held a Special Meeting for general business purposes on October 23, 2014. The Board met for an informational session on October 23, 2014, for a presentation of building appraisals for the Freeport Area Kindergarten Center and Freeport Area Junior High School buildings. The Board met for an informational session on November 5, 2014, for a presentation regarding District athletics issues. The Board met in Executive Session on November 5, 2014, to discuss personnel, contracts and negotiations, and safety and security matters. The Board met in Executive Session on November 12, 2014, to discuss personnel matters.

4. Mr. Lucovich reported that the Middle School Project was proceeding on schedule.
5. Mr. Robb and Mr. DeVivo referred the members to Administration's report, attached.
6. Dr. Prazenica reported at the November 5, 2014 Committee Meeting that ARIN's October board meeting had been canceled. At the Regular Meeting, Dr. Prazenica reported that ARIN had distributed to its board members a budget analysis projecting expenses over the next 15 years. Dr. Prazenica indicated that the District Administration would forward the information to all Board members for their information.
7. Mr. Lucovich reported that Lenape would be hosting an open house reception at the new Adult Learning Center on November 20, 2014.
8. Dr. Prazenica reported at the November 5, 2014 Committee Meeting that the state's new education agenda would be announced in January and that the agenda would include a search for more funding. At the Regular Meeting on November 12, 2014, Dr. Prazenica reported on a state Supreme Court ruling that requires that requests for information under Pennsylvania's Right-to-Know-Law must be addressed in writing to the target agency's open records officer.
9. Dr. Prazenica noted at the November 5, 2014 Committee Meeting that while attending the PSBA School Leadership Conference he had obtained information regarding the establishment by the District of a cyber school for resident students and that he would provide that information to Administration, along with information that he obtained at the conference regarding other service providers. Dr. Prazenica noted that he had found his attendance at the Conference to be very worthwhile and that he encourages other members to attend future Conferences. Mr. Borrelli noted his concurrence as far as the benefit of attending the Conference and that he would be forwarding the information he obtained at the Conference to Administration as well.
10. Benjamin Goldinger and Audrey Clawson, student Board members, reported on school activities as per the attached reports.

#### Personnel

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

- a. To accept the resignation of Linda M. Windows, 12-Month Secretary, effective December 19, 2014.
- b. Action on accepting the resignation of Darlene M. Farah, Cheerleader Advisor (Varsity), effective November 10, 2014.

- c. Action on accepting the resignation of Ashten M. Farah, Cheerleader Advisor (Jr. Varsity), effective November 10, 2014.
- d. Action on accepting the resignation of Richard J. Farah, Jr., Cheerleading Volunteer, effective November 10, 2014.
- e. To approve the request from Linda M. Zeidler, Part-Time Cook, beginning October 23, 2014, for uncompensated Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave beginning October 23, 2014.
- f. 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.
- g. 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.
- h. 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.

Mr. Shoaf and Ms. Toy-Gaydos expressed gratitude on behalf of the members to Ms. Windows for her years of service to the students of the District.

#### Curriculum and Technology

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

- a. To approve the request from Larry P. Robb, Program Director; Donald W. Dell, Jr., Junior High Principal; and Steven D. Poleski, Buffalo Elementary Principal, for approval to attend the Standards Aligned System (SAS) Institute Conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania, on December 7-9, 2014, at a cost to the District of approximately \$1,800.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the request from John Beneigh, Social Studies Teacher, for pre-approval of the 2015 Senior Class trip to Washington, DC, on April 11-13, 2015.
- b. To approve the request of Thomas D. Koharchik, Junior/Senior High School Choral Director, and eight (8) Senior High School students for approval to attend the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) District 3 Chorus Festival in DuBois, Pennsylvania, on January 22-23, 2015, at a cost to the District of \$574, including the cost of one (1) substitute teacher for two (2) days.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To approve the request of Charles M. Shipman, Jr., Junior High/Senior High Band Director, and five (5) Senior High School students for approval to attend the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) District 3 Band Festival in Strattanville, Pennsylvania, on January 8-10, 2015, at a cost to the District of \$380, including the cost of a substitute teacher for two (2) days.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

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

- a. To approve the attached October financial reports.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To approve the attached Master Resolution to authorize and incur new nonelectoral indebtedness, in a total principal amount not to exceed \$18,410,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion *to table* the following item (Item 6.d.) was made by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos:

- d. Action on the District's acting as project co-sponsor, along with Buffalo Township, in the submission of the attached Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission's Livability Through Smart Transportation Program Pre-Qualification Application for the Project titled, "South Pike Street (SR 0356) Corridor - A Community Connectivity Plan."

Motion *to table* was carried unanimously.

### Policy

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

- a. To approve the adoption and implementation of attached District Policy No. 239 (Behavior Support Policy for Individuals with Disabilities), as revised.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Other Business

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

- a. To accept the donation of \$1,500 to Buffalo Elementary School to be used to establish a memorial in honor of Joshua C. Frampton.
- b. To accept the donation from Burrell Group, Inc. of \$250 to the Athletic Fund.
- c. To accept the anonymous donation of the lab materials and equipment listed on the attachment to the Freeport Area Junior High School.
- d. To accept a grant from the Community Drug Abuse Prevention Program, funded through the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office, in the amount of \$2,000.
- e. To enter into the attached revised 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 as set forth on the rate schedule attached to the agreement.
- f. To set the reorganization meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors for December 3, 2014, at 7:30 pm at the Freeport Area Senior High School.

Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meetings

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

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 8:06 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

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President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

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Secretary