

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 14, 2016

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Ms. Barbara Toy-Gaydos, First Vice President, at 7:34 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Also present were student board member K. Derek Jones and District solicitor Mr. Fred Wolfe.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Board recognized High School student Mike Brezinski for his actions during a medical emergency on February 23, 2016.

Reports

1. Student School Board member K. Derek Jones provided the members with his report of student activities in the District.
2. It was moved by Ms. Davies, and seconded by Mr. Gaiser, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 10, 2016. 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 March 10: The Board met in Executive Session on April 7, 2016, to discuss personnel and contracts and negotiations. The Board held its Committee Meeting on April 14, 2016. The Board met in Executive Session on April 14, 2016, to discuss personnel and contracts and negotiations.
4. Mr. Robb referred the members to the Administration report attached to the agenda and provided an overview of the District's four-year plan focused on student college and career readiness.

5. Kevin Benzenhoefer of Rucon Inc. provided the members with an update on the status of the Freeport Area Middle School Project and the Freeport Area School District Athletics Complex Project during the Board's Committee Meeting held on April 7, 2016.
6. Jim Wagner, Executive Director of the Armstrong Indiana (ARIN) Intermediate Unit, provided the members with an update on ARIN's ongoing projects in support of its member districts. Dr. Prazenica commended Mr. Wagner and ARIN's efforts, which resulted in level spending levels and no increases in school district contributions to ARIN's budget.
7. Ms. Bollinger reported that state school board directors had gathered in Harrisburg during the previous week, to discuss key issues and to encourage legislators to complete annual budgets by June going forward. The directors also discussed state reimbursements to districts that had had to borrow money while the current state budget was being finalized.
8. Mr. Borrelli reported that the Freeport Area School District Foundation would hold its annual golf outing on May 1st. He said that he and the other members of the Foundation board were continuing to investigate other revenue sources.

Personnel

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

- a. To accept the resignation of Robert L. Lizik, Director of School Safety, effective April 16, 2016.
- b. To contract with Tracy H. Lindo to serve as a School Police Officer, at the hourly rate of \$20.00, with a start date to be determined, in accordance with the terms of the attached independent contractor agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To accept the resignation of Employee No. 2255, effective April 8, 2016.

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

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

- a. To approve the District's Special Education Plan, a component of the Strategic Plan, as presented on the attachment, and to authorize Administration to submit a copy to the Pennsylvania Department of Education by May 1, 2016 as required.

- b. To approve the request from Larry P. Robb, Jr., Program Director, to attend the Pennsylvania Association of Federal Program Coordinators (PAFPC) Annual Conference to be held in Champion, Pennsylvania, from May 1-4, 2016, at an estimated cost of \$1,500 to be taken from Title I funds.
- c. To approve the request from Nicole L. Hazlett, Teacher, to attend the 2016 PASA Reading & Math Scoring Conference to be held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, from April 29-May 1, 2016, at no cost to the District other than the cost of one substitute teacher for one half-day (\$45).

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the request of Jodi S. Crytzer, Teacher, and four (4) Buffalo Elementary School students, for approval of an overnight field trip to attend the K'Nex STEM Design Challenge State Competition in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on May 12-13, 2016, at a cost to the District of \$559.70, including the cost of one substitute teacher for one day.
- b. To approve the request of Donald L. Orlowski, Teacher, 21 Middle School students, and 25 High School students, for approval of an overnight field trip to attend the State Meeting of the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) in University Park, Pennsylvania, on May 15-17, 2016, at a cost to the District of \$443.50, including the cost of one substitute teacher for two (2) days.
- c. To approve the request of four (4) staff members/employees and 89 High School students for approval of the High School Music Department's overnight field trip to attend the Music in the Parks Festival in Hershey, Pennsylvania, on May 20-21, 2016, at no cost to the District other than the cost of three (3) substitute teachers for one (1) day (\$270).
- d. To approve the request from the Freeport Boys' Basketball Boosters to use the playground facilities and school gymnasiums for the 2016-2017 school year, in order to sponsor a Freeport Elementary Boys Basketball Program for 1-6 Grade District students (with that program to include a 4-6 Grade traveling team) and to sponsor a summer league for 6-7 Grade students twice a week from June 13, 2016 to August 5, 2016; provided there is equal opportunity for girls to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration and subject to availability of the facilities.
- e. To approve the request from the Freeport Girls' Basketball Boosters to use the playground facilities and school gymnasiums for the 2016-2017 school

year in order to sponsor a Freeport Elementary Girls Basketball Program for 1-6 Grade District students (with that program to include a 4-6 Grade traveling team), to sponsor a summer league for junior varsity and varsity players twice a week from June 13, 2016 to July 18, 2016, and to sponsor a 7/8 Grade winter league once a week from December 2016 to February 2017; provided there is equal opportunity for boys to participate in compliance with federal and state laws in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration and subject to availability of the facilities.

- f. To approve the request from the Freeport Volleyball Boosters to use school facilities in order to: sponsor a camp for District secondary students on June 14-15, 2016 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, for weight training and open gym during various other days during the summer of 2016, to sponsor a camp for District secondary students on August 8-12, 2016 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, to sponsor a 5/6 Grade camp in February 2017, to hold a three (3)-day 7/8 Grade volleyball camp in March 2017 at the Middle School gym, and to conduct an open gym from February to April 2017 one (1) night per week; provided there is equal opportunity for boys to participate in compliance with federal and state laws and to conduct volleyball tournaments on September 10, 2016 (junior varsity) and September 17, 2016 (varsity), in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration and subject to availability of the facilities.
- g. To approve the request from the Freeport Boys Soccer Boosters to use the soccer facilities in order to sponsor a five (5)-day camp in late July 2016 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm; provided there is equal opportunity for girls to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, and in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration and subject to availability of the facilities.
- h. To approve the request from the Freeport Softball Boosters to use the Buffalo Elementary softball field and High School auxiliary gym when available in order to sponsor a fall softball team from August 2016 through October 2016; provided there is equal opportunity for boys to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration and subject to availability of the facilities.
- i. To approve the request from the Freeport Football Boosters to use school facilities in order to sponsor a football skills camp in June 2016; provided there is equal opportunity for girls to participate in compliance with federal and state laws, and in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration and subject to availability of the facilities.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

Mr. Manzer provided the members with an overview of the Financial Reports and Payments lists.

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

- a. To approve the attached March financial reports.
- b. To approve bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- c. To award bids for maintenance supplies to various suppliers in the amount of \$44,515.54, as provided on the attachment.
- d. To approve the purchase of a license to use PrimeroEdge as the District's food service point of sale system, at a total first year cost of \$9,216 to be paid from the Food Service Fund, including implementation costs of \$5,641 and an annual subscription of \$3,575, with implementation to occur during the 2016-2017 school year.
- e. To approve the attached budgetary transfers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

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

- a. To authorize DiMarco Construction, Inc. to proceed with building-code related changes to the Freeport Area School District Athletics Complex Project (VEBH Contract No. 174801-1), at an additional cost of \$6,090.12.
- b. To approve the budget of the Armstrong Indiana (ARIN) Intermediate Unit for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.
- c. 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, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- d. To approve the student lunch price of \$2.75 for secondary students and \$2.65 for elementary students, and the student breakfast price of \$1.25, for the 2016-2017 school year.
- e. To approve a management contract with Nutrition, Inc., d/b/a The Nutrition Group, for school nutrition program management services to be provided

during the 2016-2017 school year, for the guaranteed school nutrition program loss of \$22,399.72, renewable by mutual agreement for up to three (3) additional one (1) year periods.

- f. To approve a contract with OA Systems, LLC for managed internal broadband services in the amount of \$30 per student prior to any applicable e-rate discounts for the 2016 2017 school year and renewable for three (3) additional years, with approval granted to be subject to District solicitor review and approval of the contract.
- g. To enter into the attached Addendum to October 8, 2014 Contract for Regional Wide Area Network, Internet and Other Related Consortium Services with ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 to allocate additional bandwidth to the District at no additional cost, effective July 1, 2016.
- h. To approve the attached Addendum to Agreement of Sale dated July 21, 2015 for the sale of the real estate property formerly known as the Freeport Area Junior High School and the Freeport Area Kindergarten Center to Ronald Mailki.
- i. To approve the revised 2016-2017 District Calendar, as presented on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meetings

Ms. Toy-Gaydos announced that the Board would hold its next Committee Meeting on Thursday, May 5, at 7:30 pm, and its next Regular Meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2016, at 7:30 pm, at the Freeport Area High School.

Comments from Board Members

Dr. Prazenica asked that District Administration arrange for the board to recognize the District's principals for recently announced student assessment scores and rankings. Mr. Magness acknowledged the efforts of Mr. Robb and the District's students, teachers, and parents in connection with the student assessment results.

Dr. Prazenica called the members' attention to the Pennsylvania School Boards Association report distributed at the meeting and suggested that Administration investigate subscribing to the membership package that provides for discounts on member services.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Davies, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The First Vice President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

/s/ Barbara Toy-Gaydos

First Vice President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary