

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 10, 2016

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:38 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Also present were student board member Audrey S. Dougherty and District solicitor Mr. Chris Voltz.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Dr. Marty, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 11, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since her last Secretary's report to the Board at the Regular Meeting held on February 11, 2016: The Board held an Informational Session for Finance matters on March 2, 2016. The Board met in Executive Session on March 3, 2016, to discuss personnel and contracts and negotiations. The Board held its Committee Meeting on March 3, 2016. The Board held an Informational Session for Athletics matters and then met in Executive Session on March 10, 2016, to discuss personnel and contracts and negotiations.
3. Mr. Robb had provided the members with an explanation of the proposed District Calendar for 2016-2017 during the Board's Committee Meeting on March 3, 2016.
4. Mr. Magness referred the members to the Administration reports attached to the agenda.

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.
6. Mr. Borrelli reported at the Board's Committee meeting on March 3, 2016 that the Freeport Area School District Foundation would be hosting a Career Day at the High School on April 1, 2016. He noted during the Regular Meeting on March 10, 2016 that the Foundation would hold its annual golf outing on Sunday, May 1, 2016.
7. Student School Board member Audrey S. Dougherty provided the members with her report of student activities in the District.

Personnel

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

- a. To approve the request of Joann M. Fix, part time Cafeteria Worker, for intermittent uncompensated Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave during the 2015-2016 school year.
- b. To approve the employment of Alexander M. Klazon and Cameron P. Koedel as interns with the District's information technology group, at an hourly wage rate of \$7.25, effective June 13, 2016 through August 19, 2016.
- c. To employ the personnel listed on the attachment for the District's athletics programs during the 2015-2016 school year, according to contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board.
- d. To approve the volunteer coaches listed on the attachment for the 2015-2016 sports season, at no cost to the District.

Motion carried, with Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No* on Personnel item (d).

Curriculum and Technology

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

- a. To approve the request of Charles M. Shipman, Jr., Band Director, for permission to act as host of the 2017 District 3 Band Festival to be held at Indiana University of Pennsylvania on February 9-11, 2017, at a cost to the District of approximately \$720, including the cost of four (4) substitute teachers for two (2) days.
- b. To approve the request from Thomas D. Koharchik and Robert W. Harris, III, Teachers, for approval to attend the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) Annual Conference to be held in Hershey,

Pennsylvania, on March 31-April 2, 2016, at a cost to the District of approximately \$2,100, including the cost of two substitute teachers for two (2) days.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the requests to use the athletic fields under ownership of the Freeport Area School District as provided in District Policy and according to the schedule developed by the Athletic Director for the 2016 spring-summer season as described on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos,

- b. To approve the request of five (5) staff members/employees and 41 Senior High School students for approval of an overnight field trip to Washington, DC, on March 19-21, 2016, at no cost to the District other than the cost of four (4) substitute teachers for one (1) day (\$360).

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

Mr. Manzer had provided the members with a brief overview of the Financial Reports and Payments lists during the Board's Committee Meeting on March 3, 2016.

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

- a. To approve the attached February financial reports.
- b. To approve bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- c. To approve the proposed budgetary transfers listed on the attachment.
- d. To authorize Administration to enter into joint purchasing agreements with other school districts or intermediate units in Pennsylvania for the purchase of gasoline/diesel fuel for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion carried, with Mr. Lucovich and Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No* on Finance item (d).

Other Business

It was moved by Ms. Davies, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, *to table* Other Business item (a):

- 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) as delineated in VEBH's Request for Proposal dated December 11, 2015, at an additional cost of \$8,422.67.

Motion *to table* Other Business item (a) carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos,

- b. To authorize DiMarco Construction, Inc. to proceed with signage related to the Freeport Area Middle School Project as summarized in its RFCO #4, dated January 27, 2016, at an additional cost of \$13,893.32.

Motion *did not carry*, with all members present voting *No* on Other Business item (b).

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

- c. To authorize DiMarco Construction, Inc. to proceed with changes to the Freeport Area School District Athletics Complex Project (VEBH Contract No. 174801-1) to provide additional metal furring at the bottom chord of the trusses in the Concession / Restroom Building, in accordance with its email correspondence dated February 19, 2016, at an additional cost of \$4,483.00.

Motion carried on a vote of four (4) to two (2), with Ms. Davies and Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No* on Other Business item (c).

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

- d. To authorize DiMarco Construction, Inc. to proceed with changes to the Freeport Area School District Athletics Complex Project (VEBH Contract No. 174801-1) to provide a continuous concrete curb at the fence line adjacent to the synthetic turf field, at an additional cost of \$12,342.00.

Motion carried on a vote of five (5) to one (1), with Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No* on Other Business item (d).

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

- e. To authorize Bronder Technical Services to proceed with changes to the Freeport Area School District Athletics Complex Project (VEBH Contract No. 174801-4) to provide additional electrical receptacles in the

Concession/Restroom Building in accordance with VEBH's Request for Proposal dated February 29, 2016, at an additional cost of \$2,094.39.

Motion *did not carry*, with all members present voting *No* on Other Business item (e).

It was moved by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Dr. Marty,

- f. To authorize ProGrass LLC to proceed with changes to the Freeport Area School District Athletics Complex Project (VEBH Contract No. 174801-5) to provide the colored field border and the piping on end zone lettering, as delineated in its Change Request 1, at an additional cost of \$3,000.00.

Motion carried on a vote of five (5) to one (1), with Mr. Borrelli voting *No* on Other Business item (f).

It was moved by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Dr. Marty,

- g. To approve the attached Change Order No. HC-1 to the Freeport Area Middle School Project HVAC Construction Agreement with Lugaila Mechanical, Inc. dated June 5, 2014, at an increased cost in the contract sum of \$10,685.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- h. To approve the attached Change Order EC-7 to the Freeport Area Middle School Project Electrical Construction Agreement with A-1 Electric, Inc. dated June 5, 2014, at a decreased cost in the contract sum of \$21,885.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Dr. Marty,

- i. To approve the District's entering into the attached Lease Agreement with Freeport Baseball Association for the lease of a baseball field for the District's Athletics Programs from March 1, 2016 through May 31, 2016, at a cost of \$175 per event and \$18.75 per hour for maintenance worker services.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- j. To approve the District's entering into the attached Agreement with Freeport Area Little League for the use of a baseball/softball field for the purpose of conducting practices and games for the District's girls' varsity

Softball team during its 2016 season, in return for the use without charge of the District's baseball and softball fields located at Buffalo and South Buffalo Elementary Schools.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- k. Action on authorizing Administration to submit the attached Erosion and Sediment Control Application to the Armstrong Conservation District with the required application fee of \$175.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- l. To accept the donation of the time and materials to construct new lockers in the High School locker room, from contractor Jim Lery and Allegheny Lumber.
- m. To approve the revised 2015-2016 District Calendar, as presented on the attachment.
- n. To approve the proposed 2016-2017 District Calendar, as presented on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meetings

Mr. Lucovich announced that the Board would hold its next Committee Meeting on Thursday, April 7, at 7:30 pm, and its next Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 14, 2016, at 7:30 pm, at the Freeport Area High School.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Mr. Gaiser, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary