



FREEPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Happenings

*During the Regular Meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors held on Thursday, **February 13, 2020**, the following agenda items were **approved**:*

Personnel

The resignation of Grey H. Walker, full time Custodian, effective February 19, 2020.

The employment of the following paid and volunteer individuals for the District's Athletics Programs during the 2019-2020 school year:

Tahlon N. Kirkland	<i>Volunteer Head Girls Lacrosse Coach</i>
Matthew J. Legin	<i>Volunteer Boys Lacrosse Coach</i>
David P. Riley	<i>Volunteer Head Boys Lacrosse Coach</i>
Gary L. Siefert	<i>Volunteer Baseball Coach</i>
Brian C. Welsh, Jr.	<i>Volunteer Track Coach</i>

A list of bus drivers for the 2019-2020 school year as recommended by the State Auditors.

Curriculum and Technology

The request of Thomas D. Koharchik, Choral Director, for approval of an overnight conference: the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association All State Conference, to be held in Pocono Summit, Pennsylvania, on April 22-24, 2020.

The requests of Donald W. Dell, Jr., and Richard A. Burns, Special Services Coordinator, for approval of an overnight conference: the Pennsylvania Department of Education Bureau of Special Education Annual Conference, to be held in Hershey, Pennsylvania, on March 9-11, 2020.

The request of Ian M. Magness, Superintendent, for approval to attend the Pennsylvania Department of Education Career Ready PA Coalition Kick-off, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on April 30, 2020.

Athletics and Activities

The request of Thomas D. Koharchik, Choral Director, and four High School students for approval of an overnight field trip to attend the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Region II Chorus Festival in Corry, Pennsylvania, on February 27-28, 2020.

The request of Charles M. Shipman, Jr., Band Director, and five High School students for approval of an overnight field trip to attend the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 3 Jazz Festival in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, on March 6-7, 2020.

Policy

The adoption of revised School Board Policy No. 233 (Suspension and Expulsion).

The adoption of revised School Board Policy No. 626 (Federal Fiscal Compliance).

The tentative adoption of new School Board Policy No. 702.2 (Memorials).

Other Business

The retention of the firm of Mark C. Turnley, CPA, as school district auditors for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020; June 30, 2021; and June 30, 2022.

The District's continuing participation in ARIN's Pregnant and Parenting Teens Program.

The authorization of Administration to seek quotes or bids for the following capital improvement projects:

- (1) Buffalo Elementary School: replace brick with stone caps at student entrances
- (2) Buffalo Elementary School: replace carpet in pod areas
- (3) Buffalo Elementary School: upgrade automated HVAC controls and trunk
- (4) District: replace utility tractor/loader
- (5) Maintenance Building: replace asphalt shingles
- (6) High School: install air conditioning in Fab Lab area
- (7) High School: replace 10 science wing doors
- (8) High School: upgrades to band wing
- (9) High School: upgrades to library

The acceptance of a Community Drug Abuse Prevention Grant from the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General, with funds to be used for programs conducted at the Freeport Area Middle School.

The acceptance of a donation from the South Buffalo Elementary School PTO, with funds to be used to purchase 30 Chromebooks, management licenses, and a charging cart for use at South Buffalo Elementary School.

The acceptance of a donation from Ceratizit USA, Inc., of tooling supplies to the Freeport Area High School.

The acceptance of the DonorsChoose.org donation for the Buffalo Elementary School Project: "Help My Students Fight Fidgeting with Flexible Seating Options!".

The acceptance of the DonorsChoose.org donations for the Buffalo Elementary School Projects: “Novel Study” and Novel Study Part 2.”

A revised 2019-2020 District Calendar.

The request from Kaufman Safe & Secure Protective Services, LLC, to terminate its contract with the District, effective February 11, 2020.

Finance

The January financial reports, a list of bills for payment, and a list of budgetary transfers.

The authorization of Administration to work with PFM Financial Advisors LLC, as Financial Advisor, Dinsmore & Shohl LLP as Bond Counsel, and the District Solicitor in conjunction with the issuance of the District’s General Obligation Bonds Series of 2020, the proceeds of which will be used towards the refunding of the District’s existing Series of 2015 Bonds via competitive internet auction with a minimum net savings target of \$100,000.

Next Meetings

Thursday, March 5, 2020, at 7:30 pm – Committee Meeting

Thursday, March 12, 2020, at 7:30 pm – Regular Meeting