

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 11, 2017

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:35 p.m.

Roll call:

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| Ms. Bollinger | Present |
| Mr. Borrelli | Present |
| Ms. Davies | Present |
| Mr. Gaiser | Absent |
| Mr. Huth | Present |
| Mr. Lucovich | Present |
| Dr. Marty | Absent |
| Dr. Prazenica | Present ¹ |
| Ms. Toy-Gaydos | Present |

Also present were student school board members Claire Crytzer and Sophia Reitz and District solicitor Mr. Matthew Hoffman.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger, to approve the minutes of the Organization Meeting held on December 7, 2016 and the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 14, 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 on December 14, 2016: The Board met in Executive Session on January 11, 2017, to discuss personnel matters.
3. Mr. Magness directed the members' attention to Administration's report attached to the agenda and noted in particular in information in his report regarding state budget matters. Mr. Magness commended District 5th Grader Madison Glenn on her winning entry in the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Drug Free Calendar Contest and District teacher Lauren Clark for her participation in the Penn State New Kensington Art Gallery "A Community of Educators" Art Exhibit.
4. Mr. Robb asked the members to note Mr. Magness' involvement in the FBI's ongoing opioid awareness outreach. Mr. Robb directed the members to the information in his report regarding the upcoming teacher in-service day and the Keystones assessment schedule. Mr. Robb provided the members with an

¹ Dr. Prazenica participated in the meeting by conference call.

overview of the changes to the High School's 2017-2018 Program of Study submitted for the Board's approval.

5. Mr. Lucovich asked the members and visitors to note that District Administration is aided in its ongoing efforts at opioid awareness in the community by Butler and Armstrong County government offices.
6. Dr. Prazenica reported that the board of the Armstrong Indiana Intermediate Unit did not meet in December.
7. Mr. Lucovich indicated that he had nothing to report on behalf of Lenape Technical School's board.
8. Ms. Bollinger reported that the state budget continues to be the focus of the legislature, with attention currently on reforming pensions, eliminating property tax funding of public schools, and changes to charter school laws.
9. Mr. Borrelli indicated that he had nothing to report on behalf of the Freeport Area School District Foundation.
10. Student School Board members Claire Crytzer and Sophia Reitz provided the members with their report of student activities in the District.

Personnel

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

- a. To approve the substitute personnel listed on the attachment for the 2016-2017 school year and contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- b. To approve the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's athletics programs during the 2016-2017 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

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

- a. To adopt the changes described on the attachment to the High School Program of Studies, for the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

Mr. Manzer provided the members with an overview of the attached December financial reports, payments lists, and budgetary transfers.

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

- a. To approve the attached December financial reports.
- b. To approve bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- c. To approve the attached list of budgetary transfers.
- d. To approve the attached resolution authorizing the public display and advertising of the proposed preliminary budget as well as authorizing District Administration to seek approval for referendum exceptions.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Ms. Davies,

- a. To adopt attached revised School Board Policy No. 251 (Homeless Students).
- b. To tentatively adopt attached new School Board Policy No. 255 (Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care).

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

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

- a. To acknowledge Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) approval of PlanCon H - Project Financing for the Freeport Area Middle School Project, as provided in the attached letter from PDE dated December 12, 2016.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- b. To authorize the superintendent or his designee, in accordance with Policy No. 711, to dispose of books, furniture, equipment, supplies, or other school property that has no longer been deemed of value to the educational

purpose of the District and has current value of \$100 or less, in a manner prescribed under the School Code for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To approve the nominations of Joseph Close and Kathy Vargo to the offices of President and Vice President, respectively, of the Lenape Technical School Joint Board, each for one-year terms.

Motion carried on a vote of six (6) to one (1), with Ms. Davies voting *No*.

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

- d. To accept an Apprenticeship Career Awareness Mini-Grant Award from the Tri-County Workforce Investment Board, Inc., in the amount of \$500, to be used to cover a portion of the transportation costs associated with the Students Acquiring Technical Skills (SATS) Program.

Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meetings

Mr. Lucovich announced that the Board would hold its next Committee Meeting on Wednesday, February 1, 2017, and its next Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, at 7:30 pm, at the Freeport Area High School.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

\s\ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

\s\ Mary Dobransky

Secretary