

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 14, 2011

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Mark Shoaf, President, at 7:41 p.m.

Roll call:

Mr. Borrelli	Present
Ms. Davies	Present
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Absent
Mr. Huth	Present
Ms. Lowers	Present
Mr. Lucovich	Present
Dr. Marty	Present
Dr. Prazenica	Present
Mr. Shoaf	Present

Also present was Matthew Hoffman, solicitor and Angela Ravotti and Zane Geist, student board member.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Lucovich, and seconded by Mr. Huth, to approve the regular meeting minutes of November 9, 2011 and special meeting minutes of December 7, 2011 as written. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Reilly reported that the Board met as follows:
 - a. Executive Session on November 30 and December 7 and 14, 2011 for personnel, student and legal matters.
 - b. Athletic Committee on December 7, 2011 for personnel matters.
3. Mr. DeVivo reported on building budget allocations for the 2012-2013 budget process and participation in the Armstrong County Truancy Program at the Junior High School.
4. Mr. Shoaf recognized David Heilman for his 16 years of board member service, announced there will be special board meetings held on January 4 and 25, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the senior high auditorium, and cancellation of the regular board meeting on January 11, 2012.
5. Dr. Marty reported on Lenape Vocational Technical School.
6. Angela Ravotti and Zane Geist reported on Senior High School, Junior High School and Buffalo Elementary School activities as per the attached report.

Personnel

1. It was moved by Ms. Lowers, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the following items:
 - a. To employ Debra Jendrejewski as a part-time cafeteria worker for the District at a probationary wage rate of \$7.80 per hour, to be effective December 15, 2011, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
 - b. To approve the request from Deborah Loevlie for a sabbatical leave beginning on or about January 16, 2012, for one semester for restoration of health, contingent upon receiving supporting documentation.
 - c. To employ Christopher Bowser as a long-term substitute during the leave of absence of Deborah Loevlie at an annual salary of \$32,000.00 prorated for days worked, to be effective on or about January 16, 2012, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

1. On motion by Mr. Huth, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica, it was moved to grant the request from Judith Cavitt to attend the Child Accounting Conference to be held at Hershey, PA from March 21-23, 2012, at an estimated cost of \$994.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

1. The Treasurers', Budget Status, and Cafeteria Fund Reports were presented. Action was taken when Mr. Huth moved, and seconded by Ms. Lowers, that the reports be accepted as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Huth moved, seconded by Mr. Borrelli, that bills for payment in the amount of \$714,345.00 be approved. Motion carried unanimously.
3. It was moved by Mr. Lucovich, and seconded by Ms. Lowers, that the following items be approved:
 - a. To enter into joint purchasing agreements with other school districts or intermediate units in Pennsylvania for the purchase of general supplies and equipment for the 2011-2012 school year.
 - b. To accept the Earned Income Tax Audit Report for the year ended April 30, 2011, as provided separately to Board Members.
 - c. To participate with Clear Choice Energy on a voluntary basis, providing for an electric curtailment if required during the summer with the possibility of an estimated savings of \$1,700.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

1. On motion by Mr. Huth, and seconded by Mr. Lucovich, it was moved to approve final adoption of a District Policy for General Fund Balance as required by GASB 54. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

1. Action was taken when Mr. Lucovich moved, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the following items:
 - a. To appoint Daniel Lucovich to the Lenape Vo-Tech Joint Operating Committee for the remainder of the unexpired term ending December, 2013.
 - b. To accept the resignation of Christine Davies on the ARIN intermediate Unit Board and to elect Frank Prazenica to fill the remainder of the unexpired term ending June 30, 2013.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Mr. Huth moved, seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the request from Cynthia Gourley to have her son, Ryan Gourley, complete his education at Freeport Area School District waiving payment of tuition, subject however to providing transportation and all other expenses. Motion carried unanimously.
3. It was moved by Ms. Lowers, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the adjudication of Student A as recommended by the Administration. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Shoaf discussed the feasibility study process in general and that the Board will continue their discussion at a public meeting on January 4, 2012, and there will be a meeting held at the Senior High School in the future to obtain public input.

Dr. Prazenica stated that the Board was late to start their public meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Lucovich, and seconded by Dr. Marty, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Mark A. Shoaf
President

William L. Reilly
Secretary