

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2013

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Dan Lucovich, President, at 7:36 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Also present was Fred Wolfe, solicitor, and John Bird and Haley Davis, student board member.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Ms. Lowers, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica, to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 9, 2013 as written. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Reilly reported that the Board met in executive session on February 6 and 13, 2013 for personnel and legal matters.
3. Mr. Robb discussed the Keystone Exams remediation.
4. Mr. Lucovich reported on meeting with Mr. DeVivo, Act 34, and campus security plan.
5. Dr. Prazenica reported on the Pennsylvania Hybrid Learning Initiative (PAHLI) Consortium from Arin.
6. Dr. Prazenica reported on the Governor's education budget and pension system reform.
7. Ms. Toy-Gaydos reported on the upcoming athletic committee meeting to review the fall sports program.
8. John Bird and Haley Davis reported on school activities as per the attached reports.

Personnel

1. It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the following items:
 - a. To accept the retirement resignation of Janet Anke Huggins, teacher, to be effective with the last teacher work day of the 2012-2013 school term.

- b. To approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Freeport Education Association for additional paid sick leave for Anne Smith.

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

1. On motion by Ms. Lowers, and seconded by Dr. Marty, it was moved to approve the following items:
 - a. The request from John Beneigh to attend the Advanced Placement US History Reading Conference in Louisville, KY, from June 1-7, 2013, at a cost to the District of a substitute for four (4) days (\$340.00).
 - b. The request from Larry Robb and Rick Burns to attend the PDE Special Education Conference in Hershey, PA, from March 6-8, 2013, at an estimated cost of \$1,800.00 to be taken from ACCESS Funds.
 - c. The adoption of the changes to the Program of Studies recommended for the senior high school for the 2013-2014 school year.
 - d. To approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Freeport Education Association offering semester courses prior to the start of the regular school day for students.

Motion carried. Dr. Prazenica voted no on item c.

Athletics and Activities

1. Action was taken when Mr. Borrelli moved, and seconded by Dr. Marty, to approve the request from the Freeport Cross Country Boosters for the school district to officially sponsor a seventh and eighth grade cross country team at no cost to the school district except transportation and administration in accordance with the guidelines established by the administration, WPIAL and P.I.A.A. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

1. The Treasurer's, Budget Status, Cafeteria Fund, bills for payment in the amount of \$762,544.86, and budgetary transfers were presented. Mr. Huth moved, seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the items as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
2. It was moved by Ms. Lowers, and seconded by Mr. Huth, to adopt the preliminary District budget for the 2013-2014 school year in the amount of \$26,379,000.00 as provided separately to school directors. Motion carried unanimously
3. On motion by Mr. Huth, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, it was moved to accept the 2011-2012 school district audit submitted by Mark C. Turnley, provided separately to school directors. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

1. Action was taken when Ms. Lowers moved, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the following items:
 - a. Entering into a contract with Armstrong School District to provide special education learning support services for students attending Lenape Vo-Tech for the 2012-2013 school year.
 - b. Authorizing continuing participation in ARIN's Pregnant and Parenting Teens Program at an estimated cost of \$900.00 in matching funds.
 - c. Accepting the donation of \$250.00 from Burrell Group, Inc., to be utilized by the school district's athletic department where needed most.
 - d. Accepting the donation of \$100.00 from Brian Atchison to be used for transportation by the junior high school to attend the Westmoreland Interscholastic Reading Competition at Seton Hill University on March 26, 2013.
 - e. Approving the request from Freeport Kiwanis Club to waive the rental fee for use of the senior high school auditorium for their eighth annual variety show scheduled for October 12, 2013.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Dr. Marty moved, seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve continuing a lease agreement with Armstrong Cable Co. for an additional five years effective July 1, 2013, for \$3,652.00 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lucovich recognized the student honors government class in attendance at the meeting. The students asked questions concerning the District budget, proposed building project, and quality education.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

President

Secretary