

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2015

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Also present were K. Derek Jones, student board member, and Mr. Wolfe, solicitor.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. During the Board's September 2, 2015 Committee Meeting, Kevin Benzenhoefer of Russo Construction Services, Middle School Project Manager, gave the members an update on the status of the Freeport Area Middle School Project, noting that the project was on schedule and that the school would be completed in time for the 2015-2016 school year.
2. It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 12, 2015 and the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 19, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since her last Secretary's report to the Board at the Regular Meeting held on August 12, 2015: The Board held a Special Meeting for Other Business and general business purposes on August 19, 2015. The Board met in Executive Session on September 2, 2015, to discuss personnel and contracts and negotiations matters. The Board met in Executive Session on September 9, 2015, to discuss personnel and contracts and negotiations matters.
4. Mr. Robb introduced new District teachers Rae Welling, Stephanie Bearden, Danielle Emings, Edward Carr, and Alyssa Bowser to the members. Mr. Robb referred the members to Administration's attached report and answered

questions posed by the members about operations during the first week of school.

5. Dr. Prazenica reported that ARIN's board is considering alternative revenue sources in light of the state budget impasse.
6. Mr. Lucovich noted that Lenape Vocational Technical School's board would meet on September 17, 2015.
7. Dr. Prazenica reported that he had nothing further to add to Administration's report regarding legislative affairs.
8. Mr. Lucovich referred the members to the Secretary's report for a report on the activities of the Board Committees.
9. Incoming student Board member K. Derek Jones was introduced to the members by Mr. Lucovich.

Personnel

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

- a. To employ Ian M. Magness as Superintendent of Freeport Area School District, for a five-year term beginning on a date to be determined, at an initial annual salary of \$139,000, as per the attached employment agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- b. To grant the request of Ashley M. Rodgers, Teacher, for uncompensated Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave beginning on or around October 25, 2015 and ending on or around January 28, 2016.
- c. To approve the substitute personnel listed on the attachment for the 2015-2016 school year and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- d. To approve the bus drivers listed on the attachment for the 2015-2016 school year as recommended by the State Auditors.
- e. 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 to be determined and approved by the Board.
- f. To approve the volunteer coaches listed on the attachment for the 2015-2016 sports season, at no cost to the District.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- g. To approve the proposed contract settlement between the Freeport Education Association and the Freeport Area School District as provided on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- h. To approve the proposed contract settlement between the Freeport Education Support Personnel Association and the Freeport Area School District as provided on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

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

- a. To approve the chorus and band festivals for the 2015-2016 school year as provided on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

Mr. Manzer provided the members with a brief overview of the Financial Reports and Payments lists.

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

- a. To approve the attached August financial reports.
- b. To approve bills for payment listed on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- c. To approve the attached resolution approving Lenape Technical School's issuance of a Revenue Anticipation Note to NexTier Bank not to exceed an amount of \$500,000, at an interest rate of 1.25% per annum, which Note shall mature on June 30, 2016, all pursuant to the Local Government Unit Debt Act of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as codified by the Act of December 19, 1996 (P.L. 1158, No. 177) and directing the

appropriate officers of the District to execute the attached School District Certificate.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Borrelli	Absent
Ms. Davies	Yes
Mr. Gaiser	Yes
Mr. Huth	Yes
Mr. Lucovich	Yes
Dr. Marty	Absent
Dr. Prazenica	Yes
Mr. Shoaf	Yes
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Yes

Motion carried unanimously, with all *seven (7)* members present voting *Yes*, and *two (2)* members *Absent*.

Policy

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

- a. To adopt the attached School District Policies Nos. 210 (Medications) and 210.1 (Possession/Use of Asthma Inhalers/Epinephrine Auto-Injectors).

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

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

- a. To approve student school bus transportation for the fifth year of a seven-year agreement, for the 2015-2016 school year as provided on the attachment.
- b. To approve W. L. Roenigk to provide the following additional routes for the 2015-2016 school year and the 2016 summer program as listed on the attachment.
- c. To approve the allocation of funds from capital projects funds, for repairs to the District's roof systems, at a cost not to exceed \$30,000, as described on the attached proposal prepared by Florida Consulting LLC.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- d. To approve the purchase of a zero-turn Toro mower described on the attachment from Jack's Toro Wheel Horse Tractors at a cost of \$9,500 to be paid from capital projects funds.

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

It was moved by Mr. Shoaf, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica,

- e. To approve the purchase of band room furniture from Wenger Corporation in the amount of \$12,963 to be paid from the Freeport Area Middle School Project capital project fund.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Huth, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica,

- f. To cast the District's vote for the following candidates for 2016 Pennsylvania School Board Association (PSBA) Officers: Mary Birks for President and Michael Faccinetto for Vice President.

Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from Board Members

Mr. Lucovich thanked the District support staff and teachers for their efforts during the recently concluded negotiations.

Mr. Huth thanked Freeport Borough mayor James Swartz for his help in gathering information for the upcoming Alumni Night program to be held on the Borough Field.

Ms. Toy-Gaydos thanked Mr. Shipman, the District's band director, and the members of the High School marching band on behalf of the Board for performing for the members prior to the meeting. She noted that the marching band is a great reflection on the parents, teachers, and the entire District.

Mr. Shoaf commended Mr. Dell on his leadership and efforts in connection with the closing of the Junior High School and the opening of the new Middle School.

Comments from Visitors

James Swartz of Freeport Borough requested an update on the date of the court hearing on the sale of the Kindergarten Center and Junior High School buildings. Mr. Wolfe indicated that the hearing date has not yet been scheduled.

Next Meetings

Mr. Lucovich announced that the Board would hold its next Committee Meeting on Wednesday, October 7, 2015, at 7:30 pm and its next Regular Meeting on Wednesday, October 14, 2015, at 7:30 pm, at the Freeport Area High School.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Prazenica, and seconded by Mr. Shoaf, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary