

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Mark Shoaf, President, at 7:49 p.m.

Roll call:

Mr. Christy	Present
Ms. Davies	Present
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Present
Mr. Heilman	Absent
Mr. Huth	Absent
Ms. Lowers	Present
Mr. Lucovich	Present
Dr. Marty	Present
Mr. Shoaf	Present

Also present was Fred Wolfe, solicitor and Zane Geist, student board member.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Mr. Christy, and seconded by Mr. Lucovich, to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 10, 2011 as written. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Reilly reported that the Board met in executive session on September 7 and 14, 2011 for personnel and legal matters.
3. Mr. Shoaf discussed the student food services program and the feasibility study.
4. Mr. DeVivo presented the Golden Apple Award to retiring teacher Nancy DiStanislao and principal Robert Schleiden and introduced newly employed music teacher Chaz Shipman.
5. Zane Geist reported on Junior High 9/11 Tribute, Meet and Greet and Homecoming Night; Freeport Kindergarten Center first day of school; and South Buffalo WPXI meteorologist visitation.

Personnel

1. It was moved by Mr. Christy, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the following items:
 - a. Accepting the resignation of Cindy Lambing as Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach effective August 18, 2011.
 - b. Accepting the resignation of the following persons as part-time cafeteria workers to be effective August 22, 2011.

Carrie Frantz Darlene Iseman Barbara Sherrieb Cynthia Shick

- c. To employ Casey Hicks as a long-term substitute during the leave of absence of Antonette Urik at an annual salary of \$32,000.00 prorated for days worked, to be effective August 22, 2011, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- d. To employ the following personnel as Department Chairpersons during the 2011-2012 school year according to contracted terms of compensation and provided on separate sheets to Board Members.
- e. To grant professional status for the 2011-2012 school year to the following personnel who have met the requirements for tenure as outlined in the Pennsylvania School Code.

Ronna Brestensky	Deanna Henry
Kristin Nasser	Melissa Raybuck
Laura Rinaman	Joe Sprumont
Tim Walters	Beth Zboran

- f. To approve the list of bus drivers for the 2011-2012 school year as recommended by the State Auditors, and provided on separate sheets to Board Members.
- g. To approve the following substitute lists as provided on separate sheets for the 2011-2012 school year and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements:
 - 1. Substitute teacher positions
 - 2. Substitute custodial positions
 - 3. Substitute educational assistant positions
 - 4. Substitute secretarial positions
 - 5. Substitute cafeteria worker positions
- h. To employ the following personnel for the District's athletic and extra-curricular programs during the 2011-2012 school year according to contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements:

Nina Fulton	Homecoming Advisor
Rebecca Youkers	Student Council, Jr. High
Chaz Shipman	Musical Advisor Assistant

- i. To approve the following volunteer coaches/sponsors for the 2011-2012 sports/extra-curricular season, at no cost to the District and pending Acts 34 and 151 clearances:

Vince DeVivo – Varsity Football

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

1. On motion by Mr. Lucovich, and seconded by Mr. Christy, it was moved to authorize application and acceptance of Community Drug Abuse Prevention Grants for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years. Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

1. Action was taken when Ms. Lowers moved, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, to approve the following items:
 - a. The request from Carolyn Lah for an advance of \$1,000.00 to cover the initial costs of rentals, royalties, and set construction to begin preparations for the high school play to be presented in the winter of 2011 provided no outside musicians, actors, or production personnel be contracted, except according to Board guidelines under the direction of the Superintendent.
 - b. To approve chorus and band festivals for the 2011-2012 school year as provided on a separate sheet to Board Members.
 - c. The request for the 2012 Senior Class trip to Washington, D.C. March 17-19, 2012, at no cost to the School District except six (6) substitutes for one (1) day (\$510.00).

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

1. Mr. Christy moved, seconded by Ms. Lowers, that the following items be approved:
 - a. The Treasurer's and Budget Status Reports.
 - b. Bills for payment in the amount of \$727,370.01.
 - c. Student school bus transportation for the fourth year of a five-year agreement for the 2011-2012 school year as provided on a separate sheet.
 - d. Entering into a five-year agreement to be effective July 1, 2011 with Freeport EMS to provide ambulance services for District-wide coverage and attendance at football games as provided separately to school directors.
 - e. To designate the Business Manager as the authorized representative to make requests and receive information and records from Berkheimer, Tax Administrators.
 - f. To authorize and empower Berkheimer and other local Earned Income and Local Service Tax collectors, to impose and retain costs of collection on delinquent taxes as per the attached Cost of Collection Schedule.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

1. It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Mr. Christy, to approve tentative adoption of a District policy to establish a Freeport Area School District Foundation for the purpose of private fundraising to support educational development of school-age children residing within the School District. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

1. On motion by Ms. Lowers, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, it was moved to approve the following items:
 - a. The contract with the Midwestern Intermediate Unit to provide special education services during the 2011-2012 school year.
 - b. The contract with Adelphoi Village to provide alternative education services for disruptive youth during the 2011-2012 school year.
 - c. To execute a letter of agreement with Armstrong County Family Counseling Center for student assistance program mental health liaison services for the 2011-2012 school year.
 - d. To execute a letter of agreement with Armstrong-Indiana Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc. for the student assistance program initiative services and youth tobacco survey for the 2011-2012 school year.
 - e. The contract with Glade Run Lutheran Services to provide regular, special, and alternative education services during the 2011-2012 school year.
 - f. The contract with Mars Home for Youth to provide alternative education services for disruptive youth during the 2011-2012 school year.
 - g. The request of a former Freeport Area School District resident to continue enrollment of their non-resident child as a Freeport Area School District student for the 2011-2012 school year pursuant to Board Policy 202, provided that such student shall be assigned exclusively to the Adelphoi Village YES Program and on condition that the student's current district of residence shall directly pay all tuition for such enrollment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Ms. Toy-Gaydos, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

President

Secretary