

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MAY 14, 2014

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:37 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Student Board Members:

Hayley D. Davis	Present
Benjamin S. Goldinger	Present

Also present was Mr. Wolfe, solicitor.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports

1. It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 9, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since the last Regular Meeting, held on April 9, 2014: The Board met in Executive Session on April 23, 2014, to discuss personnel matters. The Board participated in a budget and finance workshop on May 5, 2014. The Board met in Executive Session on May 7, 2014, to discuss personnel, real estate, and legal issues, and confidential student matters. The Board held a Special Meeting for budget matters on May 7, 2014. Finally, the Board met in Executive Session on May 14, 2014, to discuss personnel, real estate, and legal issues.
3. Mr. DeVivo stated that he had provided the Board with Administration's report, as per the attachment, at the Committee Meeting held on May 7, 2014.
4. Renee Anderson of Tucker Arensberg made a presentation to the Board regarding potential gas well drilling on District property.

5. Mr. Lucovich reported that the Middle School project is proceeding.
6. Hayley Davis and Benjamin Goldinger, student Board members, reported on school activities as per the attached reports.

The Board recognized the service of the student Board members during the 2013-2014 school year and presented each student Board member with a certificate of appreciation. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Lucovich presented Ms. Davis, the retiring student Board member, with a token of appreciation.

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Borrelli recognized Alexandra Mientus and Sarah Sokol, former District students, and Andrew Guzzo, Bill Lindley, James Negley, Dave Rennick, and Nick Straughn of Freeport Emergency Medical Services, all of whom were first responders to the medical emergency that occurred at Freeport Junior High School on February 21, 2014, for their actions taken in response to that emergency. Mr. Borrelli presented Certificates of Outstanding Recognition to each individual.

Personnel

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

- a. To employ Millard E. Harkless as Full Time Custodian, at an hourly wage rate of \$10.25, to be effective May 14, 2014, pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- b. To employ Keith R. Crawford as Full Time Custodian, at an hourly wage rate of \$10.25, to be effective May 14, 2014, pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- c. To grant the request of Alyssa A. Cadamore, Teacher, to use accrued sick leave followed by child-rearing leave for the period beginning on August 21, 2014 and continuing through October 29, 2014, in accordance with Board Policy.
- d. To grant the request of Natalie J. Pollino, Teacher, to use accrued sick leave followed by child-rearing leave for the period beginning on August 21, 2014 and continuing through October 31, 2014, in accordance with Board Policy.
- e. To employ Amanda K. Franceschi as a long-term substitute during the continuing leave of absence of Edward J. Pokusa, Teacher, at an annual salary of \$35,000, prorated for days worked, to be effective on the 90th consecutive day of the assignment (currently expected to be May 15, 2014).
- f. To employ Cristina M. Zacchia as an extended-term substitute during the continuing leave of absence of Sara B. Sypulski, Teacher, at a daily rate

of \$130, effective on the 45th consecutive day of the assignment (April 16, 2014).

- g. To employ the personnel listed on the attachment for the District's athletic programs during the 2014-2015 school year, according to contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dr. Prazenica, and seconded by Dr. Marty,

- h. To employ the personnel listed on the attachment for the District's extra-curricular programs during the 2014-2015 school year, according to contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

It was moved by Mr. Gaiser, and seconded by Dr. Marty,

- a. To adopt the textbooks listed on the attachment, which were on display in the meeting room.

Motion carried on a vote of five (5) to one (1), with Ms. Davies voting *No*.

Athletics and Activities

It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Ms. Davies,

- a. To grant the request from Faith Community Church to use the high school softball field from May 13, 2014 through late August, 2014, subject to field availability, as scheduled through the Athletic Office, and in accordance with District policy regarding use of facilities by outside groups.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

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

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

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Dr. Marty,

- c. To accept IDEA-B, Title I, and Title II A funds for the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- d. To authorize the Business Manager to enter into an electric supplier agreement with the supplier providing the lowest pricing for electricity based on a competitive RFP process conducted by OnDemand Energy Solutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Ms. Davies,

- e. To approve the Hallman Agency to provide student accident insurance for the 2014-2015 school year in the amount of \$27.00 for school time and \$98.00 for 24-hour coverage.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- f. To approve the budget transfers as listed on the attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

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

- a. To authorize District administration to obtain a real estate appraisal/property valuation of the Freeport Kindergarten Center building and the Freeport Junior High School building.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Ms. Davies,

- b. To enter into the attached Alternative Education Contract with Adelphoi Education, Inc., for alternative education services to be provided during the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Dr. Prazenica,

- c. To elect Michael J. Huth as school district treasurer for the 2014-2015 school year, to be effective July 1, 2014.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Dr. Marty, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli,

- d. To approve the proposed budget for the 2014-2015 school year for the Lenape Technical School as presented on the attachment.

The result of the voice vote on the motion was in favor of approving, on a vote of four (4) to two (2), with Mr. Borrelli and Ms. Davies voting *No*. [Note that the final paper ballot vote count was five (5) against, with Mr. Borrelli, Ms. Davies, Mr. Shoaf, Mr. Huth, and Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No*.] The Secretary will report the paper ballot vote count to Lenape Technical School.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Prazenica, and seconded by Ms. Davies, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary