

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 9, 2017

The regular meeting of the Freeport Area School District Board of School Directors was called to order by Mr. Daniel P. Lucovich, President, at 7:50 p.m.

Roll call:

Ms. Bollinger	Present
Mr. Borrelli	Present
Ms. Davies	Present
Mr. Hill	Present
Mr. Huth	Present
Mr. Lucovich	Present
Dr. Marty	Absent
Dr. Prazenica	Absent
Ms. Toy-Gaydos	Present

Also present was District solicitor Mr. Fred Wolfe.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Board President requested a moment of silence for Board member William Gaiser, who had passed away on July 8, 2017.

Reports

1. It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Ms. Davies, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 14, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Ms. Dobransky reported that the Board met as follows since her last Secretary's report to the Board at the Regular Meeting on June 14, 2017: The Board held a Special Meeting for general business purposes on August 2, 2017. The Board met in Executive Session on August 2, 2017, to discuss personnel, contracts and negotiations, legal matters, and confidential student matters. The Board held its Committee Meeting on August 2, 2017. The Board's Athletics Committee met on August 9, 2017. The Board met in Executive Session on August 9, 2017, to discuss personnel and contracts and negotiations.
3. Mr. Magness directed the members' attention to Administration's report attached to the agenda. He noted that Administration continues to focus on safety. He answered members' questions regarding staff training and pension funding.
4. Mr. Lucovich welcomed Mr. Hill to the Board. Mr. Lucovich commended the High School marching band on its recent performance at Kennywood Park.

5. Mr. Lucovich reported that Lenape Technical School's board would meet the following week.
6. Ms. Bollinger reported that the current state budget proposal includes a spending plan but not a revenue package.
7. Ms. Toy-Gaydos reported that the Athletics Committee had met earlier that day, to discuss the game worker staffing and other Athletics program matters.
8. Mr. Borrelli reported that the Freeport Area School District Foundation's annual golf outing was held the previous Sunday and that his report to the Board at its September meeting would include the results of the outing.

Personnel

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

- a. To accept the resignation of Lisa M. Knapp, Educational Assistant, effective June 30, 2017.
- b. To accept the resignation of David J. Coyle, Teacher, effective August 18, 2017.
- c. To employ Kaitlyn A. Goldinger as a full time Teacher for the District, at an annual salary of \$44,000, effective August 21, 2017, subject to satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- d. To employ Tahnelle E. Herrit as an English as a second language (ESL) instructor for the 2017-2018 school year, at a daily rate of compensation of \$130, effective August 21, 2017, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- e. To employ Stacy A. DeVivo and Bridgetta M. Wheeler as Educational Assistants for the 2017-2018 school year, at an hourly rate of compensation of \$10, effective August 3, 2017, and pending satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.
- f. To approve the attached list of Educational Assistants and Nurse Aides and the Employment Guidelines for Educational Assistants for the 2017-2018 school year.
- g. To employ the personnel listed on the attachment as Department Chairs during the 2017 2018 school year according to contracted terms of compensation.
- h. To approve the bus drivers listed on the attachment for the 2017-2018 school year as recommended by the State Auditors.

- i. To approve the paid and volunteer individuals listed on the attachment for the District's athletics programs during the 2017-2018 school year, with salaries in accordance with contracted terms of remuneration approved by the Board.
- j. To approve the substitute personnel listed on the attachment for the 2017-2018 school year, at compensation rates approved by the board, contingent on satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements.

Motion carried, with Ms. Toy-Gaydos *abstaining* on item (h).

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

- k. To approve Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave for Employee #335.

Motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum and Technology

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

- a. To approve a District Chapter 339 Comprehensive K 12 Guidance Plan as provided on the attachment.
- b. To approve the purchase and adopt the textbooks listed on the attachment and displayed in the meeting room for inspection, at a purchase price not to exceed \$5,000.
- c. To approve the attached College in the High School Agreement with Westmoreland County Community College, for a term beginning on August 1, 2017 and ending on July 31, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletics and Activities

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Huth,

- a. To approve pay rates for officials and athletic-event game workers as listed on the attachment, effective August 9, 2017.
- b. To approve the ticket prices for athletic events as listed on the attachment.
- c. To approve the attached Agreement with Buffalo Township for traffic control services to be provided during certain athletic events to be held during the 2017-2018 school year, at the hourly rates set forth in the Agreement.

- d. To approve the request of Heather R. Fortuna, Teacher, and 27 Art students for approval of an overnight field trip to New York, NY, on November 10-13, 2017, at no cost to the District other than the cost of four (4) substitutes for one (1) day (\$360).
- e. To approve the request of Thomas D. Koharchik, Play Advisor - Senior High, for approval of the 2017 High School play, *The Great American Musical Disaster*, to be performed on November 17-18, 2017.
- f. To approve the request of Charles M. Shipman, Jr., Middle School Dramatics Advisor, for approval of the 2017 Middle School production, *Elf the Musical Jr.*, to be performed on December 18, 2017 and December 20, 2017.
- g. To approve the request of Thomas D. Koharchik, Musical Advisor, for approval of the 2018 High School musical, *The Addams Family*, to be performed on March 15-18, 2018.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Borrelli, to approve items (a) through (c) below.

Mr. Manzer provided the members with an overview of the attached June and July financial reports and payments lists.

- a. To approve the attached June and July financial reports.
- b. To approve the bills for payment listed on the attachment.
- c. To adopt the Free and Reduced Lunch Policy and Guidelines as established by the Department of Education to be included in district policy for the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy

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

- a. To adopt the attached new School Board Policy Section 600 (FINANCES).
- b. To adopt the attached revised School Board Policy No. 203 (Immunizations and Communicable Diseases).
- c. To adopt the attached revised School Board Policy No. 204 (Attendance).

- d. To adopt the attached new School Board Policy Section 800 (OPERATIONS).
- e. To adopt the attached new School Board Policy Section 900 (COMMUNITY).

Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

It was moved by Ms. Bollinger, and seconded by Mr. Huth,

- a. To approve the attendance of Mr. Borrelli at the Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators/Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PASA/PSBA) School Leadership Conference on October 18-20, 2017 in Hershey, Pennsylvania, at a cost to the District of approximately \$800 each, to include registration, lodging, mileage, and meals.
- b. To appoint Mr. Borrelli as the Board's Voting Delegates to the Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA) 2017 Delegate Assembly to be held on October 20, 2017.

Motion carried on a vote of seven (7) to one (1), with Ms. Toy-Gaydos voting *No*.

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

- c. To approve the attached agreement providing for the District's participation in the 2017 Pennsylvania Youth Survey (PAYS).
- d. To approve the attached memorandum of understanding providing for the District's participation in the Pennsylvania School Climate Surveys.
- e. To approve student school bus transportation for the seventh year of a seven-year agreement, for the 2017-2018 school year as provided on the attachment.
- f. To approve W. L. Roenigk to provide the following additional routes for the 2017-2018 school year and the 2018 summer program as listed on the attachment.
- g. To accept the attached proposal submitted by Simplex Grinnell, for upgrades to the High School alarm system, at a cost of \$9,122 to be paid from the Capital Projects fund.
- h. To accept the attached proposal submitted by Tobey Karg Service Agency, for the purchase and installation of a replacement microprocessor for chiller at Buffalo Elementary School, at a cost of \$18,900 to be paid from the Capital Projects fund.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- i. To approve a gas purchase agreement / Confirmation Agreement (No. 6) with PESCO Energy, at a rate of \$2.882 per Mcf, for a term beginning on January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- j. To approve the attached Title I Non-Public School Agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, for the provision of Title I instructional services, for a term beginning on July 6, 2017 and ending on June 30, 2018, at a cost of \$1,409.
- k. To approve the attached Agreement with MHY Family Services for services which may be provided to District resident students under the Private Academy Program at Longmore Academy during the 2017-2018 school year, at the daily rates set forth on Attachment B to the Agreement.
- l. To approve the attached Day Student Education Agreement with Glade Run Lutheran Services/St. Stephens Lutheran Academy for special or alternative educational instruction services which may be provided to District resident students during the 2017-2018 year, at the tuition rates set forth on Attachment A to the Agreement.
- m. To approve the attached Enrollment Contract with The University School for education services to be provided to a District resident student under the student's 504 Plan, beginning August 23, 2017 and ending on June 6, 2018, at a cost to the District of \$22,500.
- n. To approve the District's entering into the attached Professional Services Agreement with Catapult Learning, LLC, for Title I instructional services to be provided to District resident students at Evangel Heights Christian Academy, during the 2017-2018 school year, at an annual fee to be based on the final 2017-2018 Title I allocation received by the District.
- o. To approve the attached agreement with Armstrong-Indiana-Clarion Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc. for the provision of services for the Student Assistance Program (SAP) Initiative for the 2017-2018 school year, at no cost to the District.
- p. To approve the attached letter of agreement with the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program for the provision of mental health liaison services under the District's Student Assistance Program through the Family Counseling Center during the 2017-2018 school year.

- q. To approve the 2017-2018 membership of Ian M. Magness, Superintendent, in The Forum for Western Pennsylvania School Superintendents, at a cost to the District of \$1,250.
- r. To accept the donation of a CubePro 3D Printer, from Doing Better Business, Inc., to the Freeport Area High School.
- s. To approve Student A as a non-resident student for the 2017-2018 school year, with tuition to be paid by the student's parents.

Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meetings

Mr. Lucovich announced that the Board would hold its next Committee Meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 2017, and its next Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017, at 7:30 pm, at the Freeport Area High School.

Comments from Board Members

Ms. Bollinger requested more information about the assigned parking spaces at the High School. Mr. Borrelli requested confirmation that the current roofing project is on track for completion prior to the first day of school for students.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Borrelli, and seconded by Ms. Bollinger, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

/s/ Daniel P. Lucovich

President

/s/ Mary Dobransky

Secretary