

FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION Minutes of October 7, 2015

The Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education held a regular business meeting on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 in the media center at the school at 7:00 PM. Mrs. Karen Kellaher, President called the meeting to order.

Please let the minutes show that the Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education has complied with the Open Public Meetings Act which requires that advance notice of this meeting be given and that the public has the right to attend such meetings. This advanced notice was published in The Express Times and The New Jersey Herald. All discussions and official actions of this meeting, unless specifically exempted, will take place in public.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

A roll call by the Board Secretary indicated:

Present: Kim Neuffer, Vice President, Sheryl Hannam, Janet DeFilippis, David Hocking, Tricia Cowell, Benny Perez, Lori Swistak & Karen Kellaher, President; **Absent:** Grace Acosta; **Also Present:** Nicholas Diaz, CSA and Rita Jones, Board Secretary; **Audience Present:** None

HEARING & PETITIONS OF CITIZENS-N/A

REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION-N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS-N/A

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Diaz, CSA blogspot-inaugural #BeTheirChampion Awards for students and community members. At the November 11th BOE meeting will be the first recognition for these awards.

CSA Recommendations/Action Items

- A. Approve for Second Reading Policy # 4112.8 & Policy # 4212.8**
Tricia Cowell moved the Board to approve for second reading Policy # 4112.8 Nepotism and Policy # 4212.8 Nepotism.
Second: Janet DeFilippis; all in favor, motion carried.

B. Approve Field Trips

Lori Swistak moved the Board to approve the following field trips for the 2015-2016 school year:

- 1) 1st grade to Crayola Factory, Tuesday, March 15, 2016; registration cost \$ 413.11. (\$179.82 will be reimbursed by parents.)
- 2) 6th grade to Franklin Institute, Wednesday, May 25, 2016; transportation cost \$ @,500 and registration cost \$606.00.
- 3) 2nd grade to the MAYO Center for the Performing Arts-Charlotte's Web, Tuesday, March 15, 2016; registration cost \$351.50 (\$175.75 will be reimbursed by parents.)
- 4) 3rd grade to Lakota Wolf Preserve, Tuesday, May 24, 2016; registration cost \$ 158.00. (Parents pay Lakota Wolf Preserve the day of the trip.)
- 5) 4th grade to Speedwell Museum, Morristown, NJ on Thursday, 5/26/16; registration cost \$154.00. **Second: Janet DeFilippis; Roll Call: Yes:** Swistak, DeFilippis, Cowell, Perez, Neuffer, Hannam, Hocking & Kellahe; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None; **Absent:** Acosta; motion carried.

C. Accept Mr. Diaz, Chief School Administrator's 2015-2016 District Goals

Tricia Cowell moved the Board to accept Mr. Diaz, Chief School Administrator's 2015-2016 district goals. **Second: Janet DeFilippis;** all in favor, motion carried.

D. Change January 20, 2016 Parent Conferences to October 20, 2015

David Hocking moved the Board to change Wednesday, January 20, 2016 Parent conferences 12:40PM dismissal to Tuesday, October 20, 2015. (Parent conferences will be held from 6-8PM.) **Second: Janet DeFilippis;** all in favor, motion carried.

E. Amend 2015-2016 Transportation Agreement with First Student, Inc.

Tricia Cowell moved the Board to amend the 2015-2016 transportation agreement with First Student, Inc. for three bus routes to and from school in the amount of \$ 83,694.24 (8/5/15BOE meeting approved the three routes for \$ 83,699.86.) **Second: Sheryl Hannam; Roll Call: Yes:** Cowell, Hannam, Perez, Hocking, Swistak, DeFilippis, Neuffer & Kellahe; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None; **Absent:** Acosta; motion carried.

F. Hire Victor Zelizo as Part Time Custodian

Janet DeFilippis moved the Board to hire Victor Zelizo, Andover, NJ as part time custodian @ \$17.00 per hour starting Thursday, October 8, 2015. (2PM-6PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays.) **Second: David Hocking; Roll Call: Yes:** DeFilippis, Hocking, Hannam, Swistak, Cowell, Neuffer Perez & Kellahe; **No:** None; **Abstain:** None; **Absent:** Acosta; motion carried.

G. Approve Facility Use Requests

Tricia Cowell moved the Board to approve the following facility use requests: 1) Girl Scout meetings with Dana Paseler on every 2nd and 4th Monday starting September 28, 2015 to June 2016; 3:15 PM to 4:30PM, use of room # 115. 2) 6th grade haunted luncheon (set up by parents) on Thursday, October 29, 2015; 3:15PM to 5:30PM; use of stage and music hallway. 3) 6th grade parent meeting on Thursday, October 15, 2015; 7PM to 8:30PM; use of media center; which are in accordance with Board Policy #1330 and recommended by the Chief School Administrator.

Second: Janet DeFilippis; all in favor, motion carried.

H. Change Thursday, Nov. 19, 2015 to an Early Dismissal for Teacher's Professional Development

Lori Swistak moved the Board to change Thursday, November 19, 2015 to an early dismissal @ 12:40 PM for teacher's professional development.

Second: Tricia Cowell; all in favor, motion carried.

REPORT THE BOARD SECRETARY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-SEPTEMBER 23, 2015

Tricia Cowell moved the Board to approve the September 23, 2015 minutes. **Second: Janet DeFilippis**;

Roll Call: Yes: Hocking, DeFilippis, Cowell, Swistak, Perez, Kellaher & Neuffer; **No:** None; **Abstain:** Hannam;

Absent: Acosta; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES-09/23/15

Tricia Cowell moved the Board to approve the first September 23, 2015 executive session minutes. **Second: Janet DeFilippis**; all in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES-09/23/15

Tricia Cowell moved the Board to approve and release the second September 23, 2015 executive session minutes. **Second: Janet DeFilippis**; all in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1) Mary Jane Tanner, County Education Specialist's Thank You Letters

HEARING OF PETITION OF CITIZENS-N/A

REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Lori Swistak moved the Board to enter into a executive session to discuss negotiations and legal matter with no action anticipated @ 7:47 PM. **Second: Kim Neuffer**; all in favor, motion carried.

David Hocking exited the meeting @ 7:47 PM.

REQUEST TO ENTER REGULAR SESSION

Tricia Cowell moved the Board to enter regular session @ 8:35 pm.

Second: Sheryl Hannam; all in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Lori Swistak moved the Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education to adjourn. **Second: Tricia Cowell;** all in favor, motion carried.

at 8:36 PM, hearing no further business, this meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Rita Jones, Board Secretary