# Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education Minutes of July 25, 2018

The Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education held a regular business meeting on Wednesday, July 25, 2018 in the Media Center at Frelinghuysen School at 7:01 PM. Mrs. Neuffer, 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 NJ Herald and the Express Times. All discussions and official actions of this meeting, unless specifically exempted, will take place in public.

The Board pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

**PRESENT:** Mrs. Cowell, Mrs. DeFilippis, Mr. Forbes, Mrs. Hannam, Mr. Hocking, Mr. Perez, Mrs. Swistak, Mrs. Neuffer

**ABSENT:** Mr. Galante

**ALSO PRESENT:** Stephanie Bonaparte, CSA

Karin Laraway, Board Secretary

**Presentation -** Girl Scouts Troop 70023 presented the school with 5 original canvas paintings that the Girl Scouts created to have a positive impact on the girls at school. The canvases will be installed in the Girls' restrooms. The canvases included the sayings "Be your own kind of beautiful"," Don't let anyone dull your SPARKLE", "She turned her can'ts into cans and her dreams into plans", "If you desire to make a Difference in the world, You must be Different from the world", "Don't compare your life to others. there's no comparison between the sun and the moon. They shine when it's their time."

**Hearing & Petitions of Citizens** - None at this time.

#### **Request for Executive Session**

Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel for approximately 15 minutes. The time was 7:08 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Neuffer read the Sunshine Law.

Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. DeFilippis, to return to the regular meeting. The time was 7:30 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

## **Report of the Chief School Administrator**

Mrs. Bonaparte reported:

- SSDS (Student Safety Data System) report for period 2 is on the agenda to approved. There were 2 incidents that were investigated and were not HIB.
- Eagle Scout project-refinishing the complete outdoor classroom. Needs approval from the Scout

Council.

- Met with PTO President. Discussed how the year went. PTO concerned about the school safety measures and how it keeps parents out of the school.
- Mrs. Bonaparte will be attending the classes for School Safety Specialist.
- Library remodel is taking place this summer. Waiting for PTO donation.
- Science room-new tables and stools, new science materials have been delivered.
- Curriculum will be approved in August.
- Professional development is planned for the staff's first two days back.
- Transportation-redo bus stops to have more efficient bus routes.
- Policy-committees are meeting to review the draft policy manual.
- Introduced Jennifer Moriarity who will be approved as the new Supervisor/Teacher of
  Interventions and Computer/G&T teacher. She has 15 years' experience in Andover
  as a BSI, G&T and computer teacher, an instructional coach, has written curriculum, has
  experience with the new ELA series-Schoolwide, Google apps, standard based report
  card and

is Special Education certified.

## Personnel – as recommended by the CSA

P1. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, to appoint Amanda Caravito as Extended School Year teacher, July 2 – August 2, 2018, 3 hours per week, \$47 per hour.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P2. Motion made by Mrs. Swistak, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to approve Michael Alday, Washington, NJ, as a substitute for the 2018-19 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P3. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. DeFillipis,to accept the following resignations:

Sara von Bartheld School Social Worker 6/19/18
Debra Tietz Aide 6/22/18
Cristina Castillo Spanish Teacher 6/22/18
Melissa Negmand Aide 7/11/18

Heather Podmayersky Aide 7/17/18

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P4. Motion made by Mrs. Swistak, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to approve the increase in hours for Jennifer Guida, Special Education Teacher, from 5 hrs/day to 5.75 hrs/day for the 2018-19 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P5. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, to appoint Jennifer Horsey, Hardwick, NJ, as an aide, 5 hrs/day, 182 days, \$15.00/hr for the 2018-19 school year, pending Criminal History Review and NJ Child Abuse Disclosure Release P.L. 2018. C.5.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P6. Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to appoint Catherine Morreale, Blairstown, NJ, as an aide, 6 hrs/day,182 days, \$12.00/hr for the 2018-19 school year, pending Criminal History Review and NJ Child Abuse Disclosure Release P.L. 2018. C.5.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P7. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to appoint Marguerite Mulcahy, Newton, NJ, as an aide, 6 hrs/day, 182 days, \$15.00/hr for the 2018-19 school year, pending Criminal History Review and NJ Child Abuse Disclosure Release P.L. 2018. C.5.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P8. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. DeFilippis, to appoint Jennifer Moriarity, Milford, PA, as Supervisor/Teacher of Interventions and Computer/G&T teacher at a salary of \$75,000, for the 2018-19 school year, pending Criminal History Review and NJ Child Abuse Disclosure Release P.L. 2018. C.5.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

P9. Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to appoint Brian Blanchette, Columbia, NJ as a part time night custodian at \$15.00/hr for the 2018-19 school year, pending Criminal History Review and NJ Child Abuse Disclosure Release P.L. 2018. C.5. Start date to be determined.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

#### Finance/Facilities

F1. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. DeFilippis, to approve the list of bills dated June 14, 2018 – June 30, 2018 in the amount of \$215,061.72.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F2. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, to enter into a transportation contract with Allamuchy Board of Education for the following:

Home to School – Frelinghuysen Elementary School \$39,445.00 Home to School – Ridge & Valley Charter School \$16,905.00 Field Trips - Frelinghuysen Elementary School \$285.00/trip

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F3. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Swistak, to transfer unassigned general fund surplus in the amount of \$41,620 to provide the resources necessary to offset the reduction to the 2018-19 state aid. The reduction in state aid and the necessary transfer of surplus is based on the FY 19 State Budget which included revised state aid for all school districts.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F4. Motion made by Mrs. Swistak, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to approve the following Facility Use requests:

a. Sussex-Warren Soccer Club 8-1-18 to 8-1-19 Soccer field

M-F 4-9 PM S-S 9AM-6PM

b. Frelinghuysen Twp Rec 8-1-18 to 10-31-18 Grass behind

Days/times TBD school

Motion approved on a 7-1 voice vote with Mrs. Cowell abstaining.

F5. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. DeFilippis, to enter into a contract with Margie Auer for Occupational Therapy Services at \$88/hr, for the 2018-19 school year, pending receipt of insurances and criminal history review documentation.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F6. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, to approve the extension of the CST shared agreement with Blairstown for July and August, 2018.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F7. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. DeFilippis, to approve the contract with Commission for the Blind for one student in the amount of \$1,900 for the 2018-19 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

**Technology** – None at this time.

### **Report of the Board Secretary**

R1. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to approve the following minutes:

May 30, 2018	Regular and executive session
June 13, 2018	Regular and executive session
June 18, 2018	Regular and executive session

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call with Mrs. Swistak abstaining on the June 18, 2018 minutes.

#### **Unfinished Business**

#### **New Business**

NB1. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, to approve the revised calendar for the 2018-19 school year.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

NB2. Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to approve the submission of the 2018-19 Principal waiver to the County DOE.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

NB3. Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to approve the SSDS (Student Safety Data System) report-period two from January 2018-June 2018. (Replaces the EVVRS)

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Mrs. Laraway reported that the DEP is requiring a system be installed to alleviate the nitrate and water hardness problem with the district's water. The system will replace th RO system.

**Correspondence** – None at this time.

**Hearing & Petitions of Citizens** – None at this time.

**Request for Executive Session** – None at this time.

# Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 8:40 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karin Laraway Board Secretary