# Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education Minutes of March 13, 2019

The Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education held a regular business meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 in the Media Center at Frelinghuysen School at 7:03 PM. Mrs. Kim 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, Mrs. Neuffer, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Swistak

**ABSENT:** Mr. Galante

**ALSO PRESENT:** Stephanie Bonaparte, CSA

Karin Laraway, Board Secretary

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

# Personnel-as recommended by the CSA

P1. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. DeFilippis, to accept the resignation of Lisa DeLong, Interim Business Administrator, effective May 1, 2019.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

# Finance/Facilities

The 2019-20 tentative budget was present by Mrs. Bonaparte. The budget includes a 2% tax levy increase. The district lost \$47,354 in state aid. There will be a continuation of existing educational programs and services.

F1. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Swistak, to approve entering into an agreement with J & B Therapy for the 2019-20 school year for related services as needed:

Occupational, and/or speech therapy	\$84.50/hour
Physical Therapy	\$85.50/hour
Educational Support Services (LDTC)	\$93.00/hour
Psychological Services	\$93.00/hour

Evaluations	\$405/eval	
Behavioral Support as provided by BCBA Supervisor	\$93.00/hour (3	
	hrs/week minimum)	
Behavioral Plans/Functional Behavior Assessments	\$93.00/hour	
Behavioral Support provided by a Behaviorist	\$93.00/hour	
Reading Specialist	\$82.50/hour	
Home Instruction	\$65.00/hour	
Social Work Services	\$80.00/hour	
ABA Paraprofessional Services	\$35.00/hour	
Paraprofessional Services	\$28.00/hour	
Teacher of the Deaf Services	\$135.00/hour	
Administrative Fee	1%	

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F2. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to adopt and submit the Frelinghuysen Township School District's 2019-20 tentative school budget to the Warren County Department of Education Office for approval.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F3. Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to approve Travel and Expense Reimbursement, Capital Reserve Withdrawal and Maintenance Reserve Withdrawal resolution as part of the School District Budget for 2019-20.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

F4. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Hocking, to approve the following Facility usage:

Frelinghusyen Rec	Thursdays in April	5:00-7:00 PM	Gym

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

# **Curriculum/Policy**

C1. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to approve new policy #2363 - Student use of privately owned technology, on first reading.

Motion approved on a 7-0-1 roll call vote with Mrs. Cowell abstaining.

C2. Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Forbes, to approve the following policy updates on first reading:

P2422 Health and physical education P2610 Educational Program Evaluation P4219 Commercial driver's license controlled substance and alcohol use testing

P5111 Eligibility of resident/nonresident students

P5337 Service animals

P5756 Transgender students

P7440 School district security

P8561 Procurement procedures for school nutrition programs

P8860 Memorials

P2415.06 Unsafe School Choice Option

R 2460.8 Special Education-Free and Appropriate Public Education

R 5530 Substance Abuse

P&R 5600 Student discipline/code of conduct

P&R 5611 Removal of students for firearms offenses

P&R 5612 Assaults on district Board of Education members or employees

P&R removal of students for assaults with weapons offenses

P&R Reporting Violence, vandalism, harassment, intimidation, bullying, alcohol and other drug offenses

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

C3. Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, to approve the following workshop requests:

T Smolen	Get Your Teach On Gr 2-8	Oct 14-15, 2019	\$360 ea
K Allen	Get Your Teach On Gr K-1	Connecticut	Mileage
			for one

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

# **Report of the Board Secretary** – None at this time.

### **Unfinished Business**

Mrs. Laraway reminded the Board to complete the online ethics forms.

#### **New Business**

Mrs. Bonaparte reported the Frelinghuysen Education Association was awarded a grant for the Family STEM and Reading Night in the amount of \$1,133.13.

Mrs. Bonaparte reviewed the district's NJ Performance Report for 2017-18 school year.

Mrs. Swistak suggested that this information be shared with the Frelinghuysen Town Council.

# Correspondence

Mrs. Laraway read a letter from the New Jersey School Boards Association congratulating Mrs. Neuffer on becoming a Certificated Board Member. "The Certificated Board Member award recognizes the completion of training in critical areas of board governance."

Mrs. Neuffer will be honored at the Warren County School Boards Association Spring Meeting.

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

# **Request for Executive Session**

Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Swistak, to adjourn to executive session for negotiations. The time was 7:54 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Neuffer read the Sunshine Law.

Mr. Forbes left the meeting at 7:54 PM.

Motion made by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Hocking, to return to the regular meeting. The time was 8:20 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

# Adjournment

Motion made by Mrs. Swistak, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 8:20 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karin Laraway Board Secretary