# Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education Minutes of October 14, 2020

The Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education held a virtual Board of Education meeting on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at 7:07 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:** Mr. Hocking, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Neuffer, Mrs. Swistak, Mr. Galante, Mrs. Hannam, Mr. Forbes

**ABSENT:** Mrs. Cowell, Mrs. DeFilippis

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Bonaparte, CSA

Karin Laraway, Board Secretary

Hearing & Petitions of Citizens - Comment is invited on any matter relating to the agenda.

None at this time.

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

## Report of the CSA

- Week of Respect was officially observed the first week of October, although the school reinforces respect all year
- School pictures are being taken. Lifetouch has been very cooperative and following the district's pandemic guidelines.
- Health Department has issued guidance that there should be no Halloween parades at school
- Communications project will be scheduled after school and days that school is not physically in session.
- The building will be used on Election Day, November 3. This day will be a virtual learning day for all students. The township is responsible for the logistics, however, except for one restroom, the front lobby and the all-purpose room, the remainder of the building will be closed off restricting access. There are plans in place to disinfect the areas used on Wednesday after Election Day.

#### Personnel

Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to approve P1-P2 as listed and as recommended by the Superintendent.

- P1. Approve the revised leave of absence for employee #00089 to begin September 8, 2020:
  - 80 hours leave (10 days) under the Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act, maximum per day \$200/\$2,000
  - 10 weeks (50 days) under the Federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act, maximum \$200 per day/\$10,000
- P2. Approve a reduction in hours for John Pimley, Night Custodian, from 8 hrs per day, 5 days per week, to 6 hrs per day, 5 days per week, effective September 21, 2020.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

#### Finance/Facilities

Motion made by Mr. Hocking, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to approve F1-F3 as listed.

- F1. Approve the bills list dated October 14, 2020 in the amount of \$193,925.07.
- F2. Approve the following workshop:

NJSBA Virtual Workshop October 20-22, 2020 \$900 Registration: K. Neuffer, L. Swistak, T. Cowell, J. DeFillipis, L. Forbes, M. Galante, S. Hannam, D. Hocking, E. Peterson, S. Bonaparte, A. Castellana, J. Deuel, K Laraway

\*The virtual sessions will be available a full year for access.

F3. Approve the following facility use request:

PTO	Krispy Kreme pick-	October 29, 2020	Playground
	up	12:00 – 2:00 PM	Blacktop area

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

**Curriculum/Policy** – None at this time.

## **Report of the Board Secretary**

Motion made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Hocking, to approve R1-R2 as listed.

- R1. Approve the following minutes: September 23, 2020 Virtual Regular meeting
- R2. Motion to accept, certify and file the treasurer's and board secretary's financial reports for September 2020 and note that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations and that no major account has been over-expended in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A:16.10.

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

#### **Unfinished Business**

Mrs. Neuffer informed the Board of Education that the Board Self-Evaluation and goals will be discussed at the next meeting.

#### **New Business**

Motion made by Mrs. Swisak, seconded by Mrs. Hannam, to approve NB1-NB3 as listed.

- NB1. Motion to approve the 2020-21 Nursing Service Plan.
- NB2. Motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials for the 2020-21 school year. (No revisions from prior year)
- NB3. Motion to approve the 2020-21 District Goals:
  - 1. Implement and support technology programs and tools to ensure equitable access to instruction
  - 2. Support the intervention and enrichment program to provide supports to all students in achieving grade level standards
  - 3. Increase social and emotional learning opportunities within the classroom and embedded throughout the curricular program to promote a positive school climate and culture

Motion approved on a unanimous roll call vote.

Mrs. Peterson asked if the State Troopers were coming in to work with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Mrs. Bonaparte responded that if it happens, it will be done online.

### **Hearing & Petitions of Citizens**

Members of the public asked questions regarding the positive COVID test results of a school community member and how that affects the school. Mrs. Bonaparte replied that the Health Department is involved and the district will follow the Health Department's

guidelines. Classrooms are constantly being cleaned during the day while students and staff are in the building and at night with the sanitizing equipment that was purchased.

A member of the public asked because of this positive COVID case, how will that effect expanding hybrid learning. Mrs. Bonaparte replied that the school committee will assess.

# Request for Executive Session – None at this time.

## Adjournment

Motion made by Mrs. Swistak, seconded by Mr. Hocking, to adjourn the virtual regular meeting. The time was 7:27 PM.

Motion approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Karin Laraway Board Secretary