Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education Minutes of August 16, 2023

The Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education held a meeting on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 in the media center of the Frelinghuysen School. Mrs. Neuffer, President, called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

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 advance 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. Forbes, Mr. Hocking, Mrs. Neuffer, Mrs. Pandiscia, Mrs. Peterson and George Riedel

ABSENT:

Mr. Galante, Mrs. Swistak and Mrs. DeFilippis

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None

ALSO PRESENT: Jarlyn Veras, CSA

Greg Brennan, Interim SBA/Board Secretary

Hearing & Petitions of Citizens - Chip O'Chang - Ridge View Echo was in attendance.

Request for Executive Session – None.

Report of the CSA

QSAC Presentation by Mrs. Veras

Mrs. Neuffer asked about the district about getting a waiver. Mr. Forbes talked about test scores coming out of the pandemic.

Mrs. Veras talked about teacher orientation, transportation, the first day of school September 5th and Back to School Night on September 14th. She applauded the efforts of Mr. Neely and his staff over the summer getting the facility in top shape for the opening of school.

Personnel

Motion made by Mr. Hocking and seconded by Mr. Forbes to approve P1 as listed.

P1. Approve 23-24 Principal Waiver Form

Motion P1carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Finance/Facilities

Motion made by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Hocking to approve F1-F4 as listed.

F1. Approve the Bills & Claims List dated August 11, 2023, Checks #18956-#19006 in the total amount of \$189,062.90 for the General Fund.

Mrs. Pandiscia and Mr. Forbes asked questions on the bills list regarding aid in lieu for transportation and e-rate consultants.

- F2. BE IT RESOLVED by the Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education that Gregory Brennan is hereby appointed as Fund Commissioner to the School Health Insurance Fund, effective July 1, 2023 to represent the Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education.
- F3. Authorize the submission of application of the FY 2024 IDEA grant and accept the grant award of the funds upon subsequent approval of the FY 2024 application: IDEA Basic: \$36,572 and IDEA Preschool: \$3,350, ESEA Title I.
- F4. Authorize the submission of application of the FY 2024 ESEA grant and accept the grant award of the funds upon subsequent approval of the FY 2024 application: ESEA Title IA: \$21,627 and Title IIA \$3,488.

Motions F1-F4 carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Report of the Board Secretary

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

R1. To approve the BOE minutes for the July 26, 2023

Regular Session.

R2. To approve the attached list of June Transfers (none)

and the June Board Secretary's Report, in agreement with the Treasurer's Report in the amount of \$1,283,392.70 in Total Government Funds;

and after review of the Secretary's report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate District officials, that the Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education is in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23 A-16.10(c) 4 and shall certify that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motions R1-R2 carried unanimously by roll call vote. Note: Mrs Pandiscia & Mrs. Peterson abstained from R1 as they were not present at July 26th meeting.

Curriculum/Policy – None.

Unfinished Business – Mr. Hocking - Security funding, possibly posing as a question on future voting ballots.

New Business – Board Ethics Training by NJSBA Gwen Thornton September 13, 2023. Mrs. Neuffer asked Mr. Brennan to meet with board members to go over Budget accounts and process.

Correspondence - None.

Hearing & Petitions of Citizens – None.

Request for Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mr. Hocking, and carried unanimously by voice vote to go into executive session at 7:26PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Pandiscia, and carried unanimously by voice vote to come out of executive session at 8:26PM.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Pandiscia, and carried unanimously by voice vote to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:27PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory E. Brennan

Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary,

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