FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

February 26, 2025 7:02 PM

Open Public Meeting Statement

The Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education held a meeting on Wednesday, February 26, 2025 in the media center of the Frelinghuysen School. Mrs. Neuffer, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

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.

Roll Call:

BOARD MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mrs. DeFilippis (Janet)	X	
Mr. Forbes (Lowell)	X	
Mr. Hocking (David)	X	
Mr. Riedel (George)	X	
Mrs. Neuffer (Kimberly), President	X	
Mrs. Pandiscia (Doreen)		X
Mrs. Peterson (Eleni)	X	

Mrs. Swistak (Lori Anne), Vice President	X	
Mr. Togno (David)		X

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

No comment

CSA Report

Personnel

Finance/ Facilities

Motion to approve F1-F2 as listed:

F1. Approve the following field trip: (Table the trip for next meeting)

Mrs. Defillipis brought up a concern about the transportation for the Kalahari trip not providing a bus for parents and all students were being driven by parents.

6th Grade	Kalahari Trip	April 17, 2025	No Cost- sponsored by the 6th Grade Booster Club
6th Grade	NorthWarren Day- Trip to NWRHS	April 14, 2025	Transportation Cost: \$375

F2. Approve the payment of bills and claims for the month of January (Check#19508-19539)

	Total	\$ 1	134,720.58
20	Special Revenue	\$	133.00
12	Maintenance Fund	\$	56,000
10/11	General Fund	\$	78,587.58

MOTION: Forbes	SECOND: Swistak
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BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mrs. DeFilippis (Janet)	x		
Mr. Forbes (Lowell)	x		
Mr. Hocking (David)	x		
Mr. Riedel (George)	x		
Mrs. Neuffer (Kimberly), President	X		
Mrs. Pandiscia (Doreen)		x	
Mrs. Peterson (Eleni)	x		
Mrs. Swistak (Lori Anne), Vice President	X		
Mr. Togno (David)		x	

Report of the Board Secretary

Motion to approve R1-R as listed:

R1.To approve the BOE minutes regular session meeting for January 22, 2025

R2.To approve the BOE minutes regular session meeting for February 12, 2025

BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mrs. DeFilippis (Janet)	X		
Mr. Forbes (Lowell)	r1		R2
Mr. Hocking (David)	X		
Mr. Riedel (George)	r2		r1
Mrs. Neuffer (Kimberly), President	X		

Mrs. Pandiscia (Doreen)		х	
Mrs. Peterson (Eleni)	r1		r2
Mrs. Swistak (Lori Anne), Vice President	r1		r2
Mr. Togno (David)		x	

Curriculum/Policy

Motion to approve C1 as listed:

C1. Approve the following policies from Policy Alert 234- first reading

- P5512 Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (M)- Revised
- P 5333 Student Smoking (M)- Revised
- R 5333 Student Smoking Revised
- P & R 7441 Electronic Surveillance in School Buildings and on School Grounds (M)- Revised
- P&R 9320 Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies (M)- Revised
- P 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students (M)- Revised
- P 5516 Use of Electronic Communication Devices- Revised
- R 5516 Use of Electronic Communication Devices (New)
- P 5701 Academic Integrity -Revised
- P 5710 Student Grievance- Revised
- P 8500 Food Services (M)-Revised

MOTION: Forbes	SECOND: Defillipis
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BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mrs. DeFilippis (Janet)	X		
Mr. Forbes (Lowell)	x		
Mr. Hocking (David)	X		
Mr. Riedel (George)	X		
Mrs. Neuffer (Kimberly), President	X		

Mrs. Pandiscia (Doreen)		X	
Mrs. Peterson (Eleni)	X		
Mrs. Swistak (Lori Anne), Vice President	X		
Mr. Togno (David)		X	

New Business / Unfinished Business

Motion to approve N1 as listed:

N1. Retroactively approve the appointment of Kimberly Neuffer, board president to serve as Representative Assembly Member for the Sussex County Educational Service Commission for the 2025-2026 school year

N2. Hocking, Neuffer, Defilippis, to be on the negotiation committee for the NJEA union contract

MOTION: Swistak	SECOND: Forbes
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BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mrs. DeFilippis (Janet)	X		
Mr. Forbes (Lowell)	X		
Mr. Hocking (David)	X		
Mr. Riedel (George)	x		
Mrs. Neuffer (Kimberly), President	X		
Mrs. Pandiscia (Doreen)		X	
Mrs. Peterson (Eleni)	x		
Mrs. Swistak (Lori Anne), Vice President	X		

Mr. Togno (David)

Correspondence

Old Business

Mrs. Neuffer discussed that the strategic plan survey was sent out for dates to be discussed. Strategic planning date to be determined to coordinate with a higher attendance date.

Hearing & Petitions of Citizens

Mrs. Guida of Frelinghuysen welcomed assistance with teacher cooperation in regards to the strategic planning.

Request for Executive Session

Swistak and Forbes Adjourned at 7:25 pm

Adjournment