

**FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES**

January 22, 2025

7:04 PM

Open Public Meeting Statement

Salute 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 (arrived 7:11 pm)	
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.

CSA Report

Mrs. Veras mentioned the second assessment window to bring up student growth and needs

Teachers still attended virtual PD despite the poor weather conditions.

Drama club has begun, and The Little Mermaid will be the play this year. The school is excited that we can use Title IV funds to pay for the performance

Personnel

Motion to approve P1-P5 as listed:

P1 Accept the resignation of Donna Borst, Art teacher effective, February 10, 2025

P2. Approve Raelyn Kempinski of Frelinghuysen, NJ as substitute art teacher at a rate of \$150 per day, 1 day per week.

P3. Approve Debbie Thompson as Drama Club advisor at \$47 an hour, not to exceed \$2200 to be paid with Grant Funds

P4. Approve Ruth Toronzi to assist with Drama Club rehearsals and supervision at \$47 an hour not to exceed \$800 to be paid with grant funds

P5. Approve Donna Borst to assist with Drama Club scenery construction and painting for a stipend of \$500 to be paid with grant funds.

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		

Finance/ Facilities

Motion to approve F1-F5 as listed:

F1. Approve the Strategic Planning Proposal from Kathleen Helewa Education Consultants in the amount of \$3,000

F2. Approve the following professional development request:

Debbie Thompson	NJ Music Educators Association State Conference	February 20-22, 2025	\$384 (to be paid with grant funds)
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F3. Approve the following facility use request :

Trep\$ Marketplace	April 30, 2025	Multi-purpose Room & lobby	3:20-7:00 pm
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F4. Approve the Contract with Lakeside Counseling Associates for Auxiliary Services (see attached)

Mrs Veras answered the bonus

F5. Approve the payment of bills and claims for the month of January (Check#19471-19501)

10/11	General Fund	\$ 308,190.74
12	Maintenance Fund	\$ 0.00
20	Special Revenue	\$ 8,984.23
	Total	\$ 317,174.97

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		

Report of the Board Secretary

Motion to approve R1-R2 as listed:

R1.To approve the BOE minutes regular session meeting for November 20, 2024

R2.To approve the BOE minutes regular session meeting for December 11, 2024

MOTION: Janet	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)	xR1		X R2
Mrs. Swistak (Lori Anne), Vice President	xR1		X r2
Mr. Togno (David)	x		

Curriculum/Policy

Motion to approve C1 and C2as listed:

C1. Approve the following field trip requests:

6th Graders (8 students)	All-Star Band Performance	Warren Hills HS February 19, 2025	Cost \$105
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C2. Approve the following field trip requests:

5 & 6th grade (2 students)	Spelling Bee Tournament	Warren County CSS February 12, 2025	No Cost
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MOTION: Defilippis	SECOND: Hocking
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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

N1. Bring to attention the Acknowledgement of Receipt - Code of Ethics for School Board Members, wherein all School Board Members must attest to and sign to

acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Code of Ethics for School Board Members contained within this recent amendment to the School Ethics Act, C.178, P.L. 2001.

MOTION: Defilipis	SECOND: Hocking
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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		

Correspondence

Old Business

Mr. Forbes thanked Mrs. Veras and Mrs. Beirne for obtaining the therapy dog training certificate on behalf of utilizing a therapy dog service to utilize the positive benefits for the students.

Hearing & Petitions of Citizens

Request for Executive Session

Adjournment

Forbes Hocking Adjourned at 7:24 PM