

**FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES**

March 12, 2025

7:01 PM

Open Public Meeting Statement

The Frelinghuysen Township Board of Education held a meeting on Wednesday, March 12, 2025 in the media center of the Frelinghuysen School. Mrs. Neuffer, President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 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.

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	
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- Student Acknowledgements

Mrs. Veras brought to attention how fun and exciting the first ever vocabulary day was for the Frelinghuysen School District staff and students. Strategic planning reminder, all staff parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Mrs. Veras congratulated all of the students in the All Star Band, Chess Tournament, and Spelling Bee Winners, and welcomed them to obtain their certificates and awards.

Mrs. Neuffer discussed how fun it was to be the mystery reader and enjoy hearing about the students and their fun DaVinci Science center trip.

Executive session at 7:11 PM to discuss student matters, in a closed session.

First: Hocking, Seconded: Forbes

Mrs. Peterson wanted to thank Michael Naomi for putting up the lights every year

Personnel

Motion to approve P1- P2 as listed

P1. Retroactively approve Molly Petty of Blairstown, NJ, as Business office consultant at a rate of \$110 per hour, Not to Exceed 25 hours per month for the 2024-2025 school year.

P2. Retroactively approve Mason Forbes, East Stroudsburg University student, for the completion of 20 physical education field service hours, to be completed between March

11, 2025 and March 14, 2025

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-F4 as listed:

F1. Approve the following field trip:

6th Grade	Kalahari Trip	April 17, 2025	No Cost- sponsored by the 6th Grade Booster Club
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F2. Approve the following professional development request:

Diana Puzio	Centenary University Literacy Conference	March 28, 2025	\$99 to be paid with grant funds
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F3. Approve the following facility use request:

6th Grade Booster Club	Leprechaun Dance	(revised date) 5:00-8:30 pm	Multi-purpose Room
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F4. Approve the rental of an outdoor tent for graduation from Grand Rental Station in the amount of \$2,455

MOTION: Pandiscia	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

Curriculum/Policy

Motion to approve C1 as listed:

C1. Approve the following policies from Policy Alert 234- second 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: Pandiscia
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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. Negotiations committee met prior to the meeting and are excited to work with the negotiation committee for the teachers union.

Preliminary Budget

Correspondence

Old Business

Hearing & Petitions of Citizens

Request for Executive Session

7:30 pm request for executive to discuss matters of negotiations.

1st: Defilippis, 2nd: Forbes

Adjournment

Exit Executive Session 8:54 PM

Motion: 1st: Forbes, Seconded by Mrs. Defilippis

Adjourn @ 8:55 PM